

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Truci Abrahams, Howard Anderson, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Sam Barter, Miss Terry Bennett, Sandra Bourke, Arlene Bowman, Angela Bromfield, Geoff Brown, Gerry Cook, Mary Cooney, Irene de Freitas, Conor Dempsey, Dermot Devlin, Anthony Doherty, Don Dourado, Laurie Durrant, Chris Fitzgerald, Trish Gardner, Cynthia Gregory, Betty Halliday, Doris Harriss, Joan Hayes, Pat Harold, Lisa Hettiaracachi, Annie Keenan, Jane Kirk, Rory McCreesh, Frank McDermott, Audrey McDonnell, Mary McKay, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Jutta Menzies, Janet Morris, Dr. Douglas Murphy, Roseanne O'Connor, Johnny O'Connor, Dympna O'Donnell, Liam O'Sullivan, Evaritia (Linda Palmer's Mother), Matthew Piper, Lily Reding, Jean-Yves de Sainte-Croix de la Sabliere, Debbie Smythe, Madelaine Sydric, Helen Taylor, Astrid Turner, Luciana Vaughan, Andrew Vaughan & Rita Watkins.

Anniv: Mary Wilkinson & Maria O'Grady
Lately Dead: Bernie Hauser, Margaret O'Brian, Eammon McHugh, Fr Tony Dorran & Judy Wray

CONGRATULATIONS

To Pat & Bridie Grant on their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Mass will be offered for their intentions at Chigwell Convent at 10am on Sunday 15th April.

SUNDAY MASSES

St. Thomas'
1st Mass Sat. 6pm; 8.30am;
10am (Children's Liturgy)
11.30am
Chigwell Convent
10am
St. James URC
(Buckhurst Hill)
9am (Children's Liturgy)

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Thomas'
10am
Chigwell Convent
9.30am
Saturday 10am
(1st Weds of the month)
No morning Mass
Trinity High School
8.20am on Lower Site.

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

St. Thomas'
10.30am - 11.30am
5.00pm - 5.45pm
Chigwell Convent
After 10am Mass
BAPTISMS
1st and 3rd Sundays
Of the month

Chingford Across Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Take a journey with a difference! Across are off to Lourdes from 10th May until 19th May and urgently need helpers able to push wheelchairs. Fun, laughter & faith lie in store - you won't regret offering your help and you will make an incredible difference to someone not able enough to make the trip on their own. Please call Debbie Hourihan on 07584 623472

If you can't help on the pilgrimage please support their fundraising **QUIZ NITE** on **Saturday 21st April from 7.30pm** in the Becket Centre. See if you can put a table together (8 - 10 people), bring your own nibbles & drinks. Call Sheila on 020 8504 3839 for tickets - £5 each

House Needed

Telco group are involved in an application to the home office to bring a family from Syria to Redbridge through the UN. We expect the family to arrive in the next 2-3 months. We had a house arranged but sadly this has fallen through so we are looking for a 2-4 bedroomed house in Redbridge. A charity has guaranteed payment of the local housing benefit rate (£859-£1395), they will pay for any renovations needed & upkeep of the property for an agreed 3 year lease. Please email Gemma Constable at gemmabourdillon3@hotmail.com if interested, and forward info wherever able.



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Third Sunday of Easter Cycle B

15th APRIL 2018



We are called with the apostles to witness that the Christ has suffered and on the third day risen from the dead, and in his name to preach repentance for the forgiveness of sins to all the nations.

First Reading

Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

God said through all the prophets that the Christ would suffer.

Second Reading

1 John 2:1-5

If anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just.

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord

PARISH OFFICE

For the immediate future the Parish Office will not be open on Mondays. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. We hope normal service will quickly be restored.

WELCOME BACK

We have a busy and I hope interesting summer ahead of us in STOC. The series of First Communion masses starts on Saturday 28th April and continues through the following five Saturdays. - On Sunday 10th June we will shut the church and I hope the whole parish will unite in a single Mass on Friary Green. It will I hope be a fun Day. Picnics will follow the mass – shared as much as possible and we will see what else. – We have to review our long series of Parish Discussions. Remember Pope Francis: “I want to hear your real thoughts and wishes: not just the “official party line”. What have we done? Whither are we to go? – The Summer Fair will happen on July - Then on 15th July there is the Parish AGM. It is your opportunity to give your verdict on the year’s performance of the Parish Council; to give it a mandate for the year '18-'19 and most important to ask yourself: What can I contribute to it?

GOOD NEWS

We have asked Geraldine Mansbridge to serve us as Parish Office Manager and she has accepted, to start sometime in May. I cannot thank Sue Kate and Lucy enough for their generosity in keeping the office efficient in the past months. I hope they can now be less pressured.

TELCO NEEDS YOU

You will hear at mass today that Telco really needs a large crowd at their meeting in Trinity on April 24th. This is our opportunity to shape the local authority aims and practice. Our Telco group do a magnificent job. Please come on Tuesday week to give them the clout they need to persuade our politicians to listen and act.

An Occasion for all to meet

We are hoping to arrange an outdoor Family Mass on the Friary Lawn on **Sunday June 10th** at 11.30am. We plan to hold a mass followed by a picnic and perhaps some entertainment. Should the weather be inclement we would transfer to the church and Becket Centre. Please keep this date in your diary as we want as many as possible to come along and meet with others in the Parish. On this day ALL regular Sunday Masses (but not the 6pm mass on Saturday) would be cancelled with just the one above mass being celebrated.

SAFEGUARDING

You can find contact details for our Safeguarding Officers and also Brentwood Safeguarding information on our website by going to About Us and the Safeguarding Representative.

LET'S TALK

Did you go to the Lenten Talks and would like to continue the conversation? Did you miss them and want to know what happened? Either way check out our Facebook page (@STOCWoodford). We have created a new group called Lenten Talks. Join it and chat about the talks.

YOUTH MATTERS

Are you a young person? Would you like to express your views? Would you like to have some additional youth activities within the church? We would really like to hear from you and so we have created a new group on our Facebook page (@STOCWoodford). See STOC Woodford - Youth Group. We also have a linked Instagram account - STOCWoodford Youth.

CHURCH CLEANING

10.30am Saturday 21st April
Charmaine Turnell, Khristine Pinnock,
Rosie O'Connor & Deborah McNamara

We want to get an accurate picture of each team, can someone from each team please let me know how many of you still come to help. I can then try to get 7 good teams of 5 people so we can clean the church as we would like to. Thanks for your help, call Pat 0208 5044577 or email me on mrmcbell@btinternet.com

HEALING WEEKEND

For men and women who find themselves single again following separation, divorce or death of a partner. From 20th to 22nd April at the Domus Mariae Centre at Chigwell Convent. For more details contact Freda 01322 838415 or Sandra 01293 783965 or email johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

IN TOUCH

The Easter edition of the parish magazine is on sale. Please call Kathy on 07734 308 925 if you are able to sell after 10am mass.

CWL—Catholic Women’s League

Are celebrating over 70 years of active service in our parish with the Friars and parishioners. Sunday 22nd April is CWL Day nationwide. We are distributing a brochure of CWL information about our history and present day activities at all masses next weekend. Please read and consider joining our team to meet the future needs of St Thomas of Canterbury.

Thank you.

ASSISI LUNCH

A reminder that the next Assisi Lunch will be on Friday 27th April in the Becket Centre.

ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT SCHOOL WANSTEAD

Applications are invited for our Nursery Class to start in September 2018 - girls born between 01/09/14 and 31/08/15 and Reception Class birthdays between 01/09/13 and 31/08/14. Please contact the school for full details on 020 8989 4700 or email enquiries@stjosephsconventschoo.co.uk

LOYOLA PREP SCHOOL

Are looking to appoint an Experienced Reception Class Teacher to start Sept 2018. Please see the school website for full details www.loyola.essex.sch.uk closing date for applications is 8th May

OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWHAM

Is looking to appoint additional directors to the Trust Board. Please see <http://www.ourladyofgrace.org.uk/careers-opportunities/> The closing date for applications is noon on 16th April.

REPOSITORY

Visit the repository where orders are being taken for First Holy Communion gifts.

Fr ISIDORE

Will be having his hip replacement operation Tuesday of this week, 17th April at Gateway Surgical Newham, Cherry Tree Way, E13 8SL. Your prayers are kindly requested.

LENTE LUNCH UPDATE

The final sum raised was £1,800, a record. The money has been sent to Mary’s Meals, with the request that it should be used for feeding schoolchildren in Haiti. Once again, many thanks for your generosity.