

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Anniversaries:

Andrew Keane, Mary McCormack, Eileen Smith, Hannah Sullivan, Martin Grant, Raymond Finney, Damien Copping, Eugenie Nadlu, Harold McMahon, Matthew Rooney, Colette Collins, Alfred Dayton, Mary Fletcher, Mary Armond, Thomas Anderson, Robert Fields, Myrtle Goad.

Mass Timetable

All our services are live streamed

Monday

Open for 10am Mass

Wednesday

Open for 10am Mass followed by the Rosary

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8am Mass no public live streamed ONLY and recorded

Saturday

Open for Mass at 10am & 6pm

Sunday

8.30am, 10am & 11.30am
(The 11.30am Mass is recorded)

Please wear a facemask, sanitise your hands, observe appropriate distancing

Don't forget to provide track & trace information by using the QR code or logging your details in the book provided

Confessions

Are taking place by Appointment



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Woodford Green

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17th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) 25th July 2021

First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44

Instead of using an offering of food for himself, as he would be entitled to do, Elisha tells his servant to give the food to the people.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-6

The Spirit of God brings unity and peace and calls on us to be generous and gentle with one another.

Gospel John 6:1-15

The story of Jesus feeding thousands of hungry people who had come to listen to him.

Responsorial Psalm

You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires



Parish AGM

Last Sunday's general meeting passed undramatically. The participation was sparse but I take it a sign that you are all generally satisfied with the way the parish has been administered over the past two years and content that we persevere in the same vein for the coming year.

Preparation of children for Holy Communion

Over 100 children have now happily received communion for the first time. The 15 or so First Communion masses celebrated since May have all been prayerful and much to the liking of all the families. Now we look to the coming year. Already several families have joined the programme. Now that schools have finished the catechists will draw breath. But in August we intend to meet and shape the programme for the coming year. We anticipate that it will follow a similar pattern. We will help. The main work will be within each family. The excellent workbook makes it easy. If possible there will be some sessions involving all the children.

Heating replacement

The work is nearing completion. Last Tuesday the apparatus was "commissioned". I think that means subjected to various statutory tests and found to be in good order. Ironically the day when the new boilers were first fired and the whole system brought up to heat coincided with the heatwave. That was a minor problem. We have been very fortunate with the company: Hellabys. The entire workforce were pleasant, obliging and very good at keeping church friary and all clean despite much demolition involved. We had expected that some of us friars would have had to move out. But the firm assured us they were happy to allow us to continue daily life and they worked around us.

Covid

We have now introduced a minor change to the manner of giving and receiving communion. Ministers will keep masked. Communion will now be given in the hand and we will try to avoid physical contact. For all else: we are convinced that it is necessary to ask you to maintain our practices of signing-in for test and trace, hand sanitising and wearing of face masks through all services. We had considered removing the tapes isolating alternate benches. But for the moment we are keeping this indicator and practical help to ensure a measure of distancing. You will find laminated notices that you may wish to use if you feel the need to indicate your desire that others keep a distance from you.

Holy Communion preparation 21/22



Applications are now open for registered Parishioners of children who will be going into year 3 in September 2021. The

application form can be found on the website. <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org/first-holy-communion>

The closing date is 10th September 2021. No applications after this date/time will be accepted.



Mass Intentions

Sunday 25th July

People of the parish
Julia Hessen RIP
Paula McCormack RIP

Monday 26th July

Eileen Flynn
Mary Blanchfield anniversary
Anne Skelton RIP

Tuesday 27th July

Paul Charlier RIP
Menna Lenny RIP
Trinity Intentions

Wednesday 28th July

Joseph Patrick Ryan
Roseanne Ferguson RIP

Thursday 29th July

Peter Murray RIP
Sylvie King RIP

Friday 30th July

Michael Crosby RIP
Mr & Mrs Chimes

Saturday 31st July

Sheila & Mike Murphy RIP
Paula McCormack RIP

Sunday 1st August

People of the Parish
John Potter RIP
Joe McCathy anniversary

Church Cleaning

Friday 30th July at 9am

Claire Hobbs, Christine Acons, Julia Bever, Susanna Barnoin, Liz Atkinson, Josie Kiernon & Michelle Liddle

Secretary Wanted

The Parish Council is looking for a volunteer to take the minutes of their meetings. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

St Anthony's Vacancy

Mid-day Assistant from September 2021. Please click on link to apply <https://www.stantonyscatholicps.co.uk/vacancies/>

Help needed

A Parishioner is looking for a nanny to collect her children from St Antony's in September. If you are interested please contact Fiona 07912 476123

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