

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anniversaries: Patrick Brolly, Salih Raymond, Stanley Negus, John Walsh, Jack Poulter, Colm O'Herlihy, Mary Coughlan, Bridget Dewey, Marion Peachey, Sister Valeria Morris, Marie Casper, Rory Roberts, Patrick Redican, Eileen Punter, Bernard Halliday, Martin Dempsey, Mary Poynter, Winifred Talbot, Liam McGowan, Sonia Malone, Patrick Black, Margaret McCreesh, Aldo Iervolino, Gerry Feeney.

Mass Online

The next mass that we intend to record is:

6pm Saturday June 1st

If you would like to volunteer to assist with recording then please send a mail to communications@stthomaswoodford.org
To view mass online - go to website www.stthomaswoodford.org Click **Mass Online**

Gospel Reflections

Weekly reflections by Fr Adrian Graffy. On our website click 'Sunday Gospels'.

Pray with the Pope

Daily prayers from Pope Francis. On our website click 'Let Us Pray' or download the app - available on Android and iOS.

E-Newsletter

To receive the newsletter by email please sign up on our parish website www.stthomaswoodford.org or mail communications@stthomaswoodford.org

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



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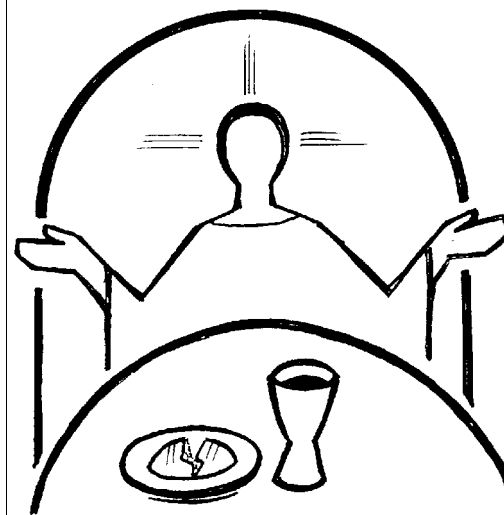
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7th Sunday of Easter 2nd June Cycle C

Please note the nearest Fire Exit to you whilst you are in the Church

Jesus longs for us all to revel in the love of the Holy Trinity. Let us allow our hearts to be touched by this desire.



MAY THEY ALL BE ONE

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

As Stephen is being stoned to death, in the presence of Saul, he sees the glory of God and Christ at the Father's right hand.

Second Reading

Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
The revelation to John of Christ's second coming is accompanied with an invitation to drink of the water of life.

Gospel J

John 17:20-26

Jesus prays that all people might experience the love and unity of the heart of the Holy Trinity in order to witness to such an incredible truth.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.

Welcome to our parish fun day!

When God created he knocked off work on Friday evening, but the job was not yet finished. The bible says: "On the 7th day God completed all the work he had been doing. He rested on the 7th day."

You have done much good work with God in the past 12 months. Now we need to have fun and rest together to cement it all and make it truly human and truly God's work.

Admire the view

So we find ourselves - a large representative number of St Thomas' parish - enjoying the environment God has given us. The secular world is being awakened – our children taking the lead – to the importance of taking good care of it. If you go to Israel you will find that a mass celebrated on the shores of the sea of Galilee is the closest you come to the Jesus of Nazareth. Away from the bustle, from the strident conflicts of Jerusalem and Judea you enjoy the calm scenery and wildlife. Today we meet Jesus in the midst of his natural world. The encounter with him continues in the picnic and the party, in the same setting.

A Phoenix?

And if you turn your eyes to the building you can see the Blessed Sacrament Chapel roof fresh-clad in new underwear, awaiting its final canopy. An aspect of the friary is already decked with new tiles that should keep out wind and storm for more generations than we shall count. There is prospect that the whole re-roofing project will be completed well within the forecasted time-span. Further intimations suggest our present balance in the Building Fund will cover the parish portion of the expense.

So please enjoy the day. And feel that this is the way forward to being a vibrant part of the new shape the church is to take in the Diocese of Brentwood in the coming years. Paul wrote **To the Churches**. Each was a close-knit local community that learned in the shared simple elements of its life to love Jesus in his church, in his world, and in each other. Of such communities is the body of Christ even now being built.

Parish activities

- **Monday 3rd 8pm**
Keep Fit, all welcome
- **Tuesday 4th June 7.10.30am**
Mother Prayer Group
- **Wednesday 5th June 7pm**
Journey of Faith
- **Wednesday 5th June 8pm**
CWL
- **Thursday 6th June 7.15pm**
Confirmation rehearsal in Church.
- **Saturday 8th June 4pm**
Country Dancing rehearsal
- **Sunday 9th June 3pm**
Confirmation Mass

Summer Fete Country Dancing

Next rehearsal is this Sunday at 4pm in the Becket Centre.

Forthcoming Events

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| • 10th June | Parish Council |
| • 22nd June | Sponsored Walk |
| • 29th June | Summer Fete |
| • 30th June | Afternoon Tea with the Bereavement Group |
| • 14th July | Annual Meeting |
| • 23rd November | Christmas Fayre |

Letter from the Parish Council

You will find with this newsletter a letter from the Chair of the Parish Council which provides information about the roofing and heating works.



Baptisms

We welcome into the parish community
Zuri Naa-Lamiley,
Luca Pellicci,
Nicholas Miskin,
Deliah Dennis,
Reggie & Dougie Francis,
Sophia Rochlin, Emily Biles,
Penelope Dodd De Jesus,
Ivy & Maeve Allender who were recently baptised.

Franciscan vocation

Interested in the Franciscan way of life? Perhaps God may be inviting you to know more about the Franciscan vocation of a Franciscan Friar, Sister, Lay member?

If so, contact: vocations@friar.org

Ministers of Holy Communion

Suddenly we seem to have run short of Ministers of Communion. If you feel you would like to be considered for this special ministry please tell Quentin. I think the biggest need is at 10am on Sundays and 6pm on Saturdays. The intention is that there should be sufficient ministers commissioned to provide a varying rota of service.

Spirituality Morning

Saturday 15th June 2019 – 10.30am-12.00noon- Cathedral House, Ingrave Road Brentwood CM15 8AT
Topic: Seeking the God beyond.
Speaker: Thomas McMahon, Bishop Emeritus of Brentwood. Tel. 01277 265285
email jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Church Cleaning

Friday 7th June 9am

Maria-Clare Fawsett, Lisa McDonnell, Jackie John, Michelle Liddle & Breda Murphy

Free heart test for anyone aged 14-35

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th June

Colebrook Royals Football Club, The Pavilion, Grange Farm Lane, IG7 6DP. In order to book please visit www.testmyheart.org.uk.

Click on *Private Screening* and enter password #forissy. Contact Della at forissyscreening@gmail.com for more information

Parish Summer Fete - Saturday, 29th June

The organisers would also like to make the raffle fun and exciting, so please do let us know if there is anything your business or yourself can donate as a raffle prize. Another big help for the event would be if any business would like to sponsor any aspect of the event, with lots of promotion guaranteed, so if you are interested in sponsoring and promoting your business please do get in touch with the Parish Office or email Aine at ainewood4@gmail.com. Many thanks.



Plant Watering

The pots outside the church are now planted and need to be watered on a regular basis. Please consider offering a little of your time to make the front of the church beautiful. If you would like to join the rota please contact the parish office.