

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Funerals at St Thomas'

Patricia Bell's funeral will take place on 9th July 2019 at 10am.

May she rest in peace

Anniversaries:

Sylvia Jelly, Anna Wynne, Patricia Vassallo, Ernest Knox, Thomas Jolly, Francis McGahern, Kate Heary, Desmond Walsh, Sarah Kelly, Maria Ludwig, Mary Luxton, Maria Belen.

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

First Holy Communion 2019/20

Application forms are now available from the back of church and the website. If your child will be in year 3 in September 2019, please take one and return it to the parish office. Closing date for applications is **6th September at 10am**. Application will not be accepted after this date.

E-Newsletter

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

Mass On-line

Will be recorded on July 6th and 27th.

The Scripture Prayer group

will re-commence in September ---
Thursday the 12th of September at 7:30pm in the Francis Room. All welcome.



ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

Woodford Green

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C) 7th July 2019

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

Jesus relies upon us to make him known and loved in the world.



First Reading Isaiah 66:10-14

In the Jerusalem Temple, God promises to comfort the nations, as a mother comforts her child.

Second Reading Galatians 6:14-18

Paul's only boast is that he shares in the cross of Jesus.

Gospel

Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

For the returning seventy-two disciples, the good news is that their names are written in heaven.

Responsorial Psalm

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Pat Bell RIP

There are many who quietly do the mundane tasks, regularly and efficiently, that are the essential under structure of our parish. Pat Bell has consistently shone for more than 50 years as one of the leaders of these. She commanded the church cleaning teams for this span, overseeing flower arranging and other regular duties. It is only a few months since she finally yielded to waning energies and ill-health, and retired without ceremony.

Appreciation of her and her service has poured into the office in recent days, to which I add my gratitude and that of generations of friars. We pray for her with love and gratitude, and for Chris and her grieving family. Her funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday 9th of July at 10am.

Parish Fete

God gave us the weather. He also gave us Áine and Patricia. The organisation they have been building for months provided a day of great entertainment. It was a glimpse of a happy family of families relaxing together. That is what a parish should be. I thank everyone who contributed to the success of the Fete. Thank you for coming. Evidently there were many counter-attractions that day. You were greatly generous in providing the stalls and needs. We discovered much hidden talent in the young people – the product of a good parish.



Parish activities

- Monday **8th July at 8pm**
Keep Fit in the Becket Centre
- Monday **8th July**
The **Parish Office** will be closed
- Wednesday **10th July by 7pm**
SOUP RUN
Please leave all donations in the Becket Centre Hall
- Thursday **11th July at 7.30pm**
Bereavement Group in the Becket Centre
- Sunday **14th July at 12.30**
PARISH ANNUAL MEETING in the Becket Centre. The Chairs report has been published on the website.

Tuesday Club

Tuesday club is **CANCELED** this week. The next meeting is on the **10th of September**. We wish you all nice summer holidays.

Parish Annual Meeting Sunday 14th 12.30pm

Big decisions lie ahead radically affecting our parish life. Last week you read the bishop's warning that we cannot simply shut our eyes and presume all will continue as it is. Already we see a decline in interest in parish activities including the numbers at Sunday mass. You see today a brief summary of what the Council has achieved in the past year. I hope you will come to the meeting to show appreciation, and then your readiness to provide the support needed for the next stage.

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

Bereavement Support Group

Our next meeting will be held in our usual place, in the big room downstairs, (Henrietta Suite) on **Thursday 11th July at 7.30pm**.

Anyone who has been bereaved and feels that they would like to join our friendly, supportive group is welcome. Just come along or phone me, **Angela Barnes 020 8505 0356**, if you want more details.

Please note that there will be a meeting in August on Thursday the 8th usual place usual time.

The Music Group

The Music Group will play at 10am Mass on 21st and 28th of this month. They will take their usual break in August and start again on 8 September.

Becket Centre Repairs

We are planning to replace the ovens in the Becket Centre this week. We apologise for the inconvenience it may cause to our users.

Assisi Lunch

Grateful thanks to Dolly and all Assisi lunch teams who run and organise much needed lunches for elderly people. We appreciate your help and support. Wish you great summer time. The next Assisi Lunch is on the 27th of September.

Church Cleaning

Friday 12th July at 9am

Christine Acons, Claire Hobbs, Julia Bever, Susanna Barnoin.

Thank you for your help.

Redbridge community sponsorship project

Thank you to the parish for your generosity and support in welcoming the family from Syria to Woodford through the Redbridge community sponsorship project, a multi-faith collaboration of which our parish is a proud participant. The family of 6 arrived last week and are grateful for all the kindness shown to them. They are very pleased to have this opportunity to start a new life here in Woodford.

St Vincent De Paul Society Administrative Assistant Vacancy

The SVP is seeking to recruit a full time permanent Administrative Assistant for the Young Vincentians Team at National Office, London. Closing date: Friday 12th July 2019. For more information visit www.svp.org.uk or email Moira on moirad@svp.org.uk.

Church Evacuation

Thanks to everyone at the 11.30am Mass last week who were wonderfully cooperative and helpful when we carried out a practice evacuation at the end of Mass. This was the first practice evacuation which has taught us a lot. Hopefully it will never be needed for real, but we must be as prepared as we can for fire, illness or other emergencies in church. Your Feedback is much appreciated.