PRAY FOR THE SICK

Lately dead: Bernadette Craft, Maria Lorena Troncoso Sisneros

May they rest in peace!

Funeral at St Thomas'

Bernadette Craft's funeral will be held on 30th of October at 11am.

Anniversaries:

Robert Girling, Leonard Knight, Jack Curtis. Patricia Graves. Sister Xavier Pitts, Daphny Bromboszcz, Maria Sell. Patrick Murphy. Constanza Bowman. Josephine Beutner, Bernard Palmer, Susan Gillespie, Anna Mozeiko, Marv Babbage, Anthony Gibbs, Timothy Godfrev. Gordon McCall. Marianne West. Elisa Heredia, Barbara Maxwell, Alice Knock.

Altar Servers

Bishop Alan will be celebrating mass on 9th November at 2.30 pm in the Cathedral. Please see notice in the Sacristy for more information.

Gift Aid Envelopes

Can we ask the parishioner(s) who donate using Gift Aid Envelopes number 81 and 62 to provide the parish office with the Declaration form. as currently we are not able to claim tax from HMRC on these donations. Thank vou.

Parish Partnership

Please visit tinyurl.com/STOCSteward for the latest update including information about events taking place across all three parishes

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

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



A FAIRTRADE PARISH



Parish Office: 020 8504 1686
Friary: 020 8504 1688
Email: parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C) 20th October 2019

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

Jesus teaches us to pray constantly and to nourish our life of prayer by listening to the holy scriptures.

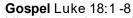


First Reading Exodus 17:8-13

Moses prays during battle for the Lord to save his people.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2 From early childhood. Timothy listened to the scriptures and was inspired by them.



Like the persistent widow, who will not give up on justice, we are invited to storm heaven with prayer.

Responsorial Psalm

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Newsletter

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

St John Henry Newman

Even the secular press gave space last weekend to the canonization of our fellow countryman. The Times even suggested him to have been the greatest Victorian. He has been a considerable influence in shaping our current understanding of our faith and its practice. Most noteworthy his insistence on the rightful place of the laity in our church, and the development of doctrine. Do we need to talk more about these?

24 hours with the Lord

Many came. Many stayed long. Thank you. The boost to prayer in our parish is evident in the three display boards on the sanctuary. The larger board bears many ticket-like hand-written petitions and prayers you have added from Friday evening till Saturday's vigil mass. I do thank the organisers who provided encouragement and support in imaginative ways. Well done everybody. Please now continue the prayer.

Launch of Restoration Fund

You responded magnificently to the request to come last Monday to learn of our Restoration plans. Nearly 60 welcomed Andrew's programme for raising the money. That you for coming. Thanks to Andrew and your readiness—it does not look such a formidable task. We will be doing our best to contact you busy people to let you all know what to expect in the works to come, and also how you can help. Please let us know if you are interested. We need you all. There are leaflets at the back of Church with some more information.

Parish Activities

• Tuesday Club 22nd October 2-4pm

Jenifer Plummer will be telling us about sweets & chocolates!

• Wednesday 23rd October 7pm

SOUP Run

Please leave donations in the Becket Centre on the day ONLY

Forthcoming events

Monday teas



On the first Monday of each month we will be having tea after 10am Mass in the Becket Centre. All welcome on the 4th November.

The Parish Annual Service of Remembrance

The annual Bereavement Service to remember our departed loved ones will be held in the church on **Sunday 10th November at 4pm.**

We are revising the list of names of the deceased on the back of the service sheet to make it relevant to the service and the people attending.

The names of the deceased will be from the Parish register from November 2018 to date. If you are attending the service and you wish to add any other names, please send them to the Parish Office by 25th October.

Names of family and friends who have died will be read and candles lit in their memory during the service.

Confirmation Programme 2020



Confirmation will take place at or near Pentecost May 2020. Application forms are available from the back of the church, the parish office or the website. The closing date for applications is 28th October 2019 at 1.30pm

Tickets on Sale International Food Evening 16th November at 7:30pm.

We will be serving many different dishes from all over the world, it promises to be a very good evening. Please do come along and enjoy the fun.

Few more tickets are available from the Parish office, alternatively, if you are unable to get to the office please email michellespears@live.co.uk to reserve your ticket. Adults £8 and Children £5.

Christmas Fayre November 23rd 2019

We are delighted to confirm that the much loved Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 23 November from 12-4pm at Trinity Lower Site. As always we rely on your generosity and support to make this event a success. Please look out for information in the coming weeks in regard to how you can get involved. We hope to see lots of you on the day so we can make it a very special community event.



The Fayre will include a Teddy Drive so we are asking for donations for a Teddy tombola. New teddies to be left in the church over the weekend November 2/3rd weekend.

Church Cleaning Thursday 24th October at 10.30am

Jean Burke, Mary Charter, Dorothee Gabriel, Florence Kiggundu, Sue Mansbridge, Louise Deans

Baptism Course

The next baptism course will take place on 13th, 20th & 27th November.

Application forms available from the Parish Office.

Macmillan Coffee Morning at Chiqwell Convent

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported the coffee morning after the 10:00am Mass on Sunday 13th October at Chigwell Convent. Together we raised a total of £389.64 for Macmillan Cancer Support. A special thank you to all those who generously baked cakes and delights for the event.

Trinity School Vacancy

Examinations Manager required as soon as possible 36 hours per week - 46.4 weeks per year.

Teacher in Charge of Spanish Plus TLR2b £4,536 ,MPS/UPS- Outer London Teachers' pay scales.

Teacher of Science (0.6) - Sept 2019 - Feb 2020.

Please review the school website http://fc.tchs.uk.net for more details.

Friary Tennis Club Quiz Night

Saturday 2nd November in the Becket Centre, 7pm for a 7:30 start. Licensed bar. Tickets £7.50. Optional hot supper at cost. Please contact bernard.hunter@outlook.com