

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Anniversaries:** Sheila Davighi, Rhys Williams, Honoria Christine Mathieson, Josie Butt, Kathleen Linge, James Francis Gorman, Eileen Foulger, Richard Stout, Elizabeth Gevaux, Ellen Hope Courteney-Bennett, Mary Ann O'Keefe, Arthur Alphonsine, Christine Mary Knock, Sister Liquori Sinnott, Guilielmuis Latore, Cecil Leslie Ayles, Jeremiah Christopher Murphy, Patricia Ann Freeman, Bertha Noronha.

## Next Sunday - SVP

There will be a retiring Collection for the SVP.

### 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

## Parish Partnership

Please visit [tinyurl.com/STOCSteward](http://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](mailto:vocations@friar.org).

## November Dead List

Mass will be offered daily during the month of November for your loved ones. Envelopes are available from the back of the church. Please return either through the Friary letterbox (no need to ring the bell) or the parish office.

## Bi-Annual Requiem Mass

### St Patrick's Cemetery

Will take place on Monday 11th November at 11.30am



# ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

Woodford Green

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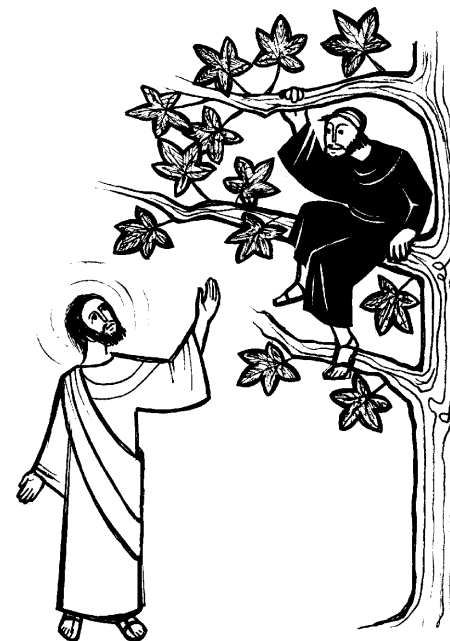


Served by the Franciscans

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C) 3rd November 2019

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

What do we want to change in our life? Maybe Jesus can bring us salvation as he did to Zacchaeus.



## First Reading

Wisdom 11:22 – 12:2

The Lord maintains the whole of creation because of his love for all that he has made.

## Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:11 – 2:2

Paul prays that the grace of God may complete its work in and through the community at Thessalonica.

## Gospel

Luke 19:1-10

Salvation comes to the house of Zacchaeus, the tax collector.

## Responsorial Psalm

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King

### Newsletter

To receive the newsletter by email please sign up on our parish website [www.stthomaswoodford.org](http://www.stthomaswoodford.org) or mail [communications@stthomaswoodford.org](mailto:communications@stthomaswoodford.org)

## Collection for the Franciscan Foreign Missions

Last Sunday you took envelopes. Please return them bearing your gift to the retiring collection after Mass. We friars are most grateful to you for your generosity to our brethren who are working in South Africa and other third world countries. More envelopes are available if anyone requires them and they can be returned over the next few weeks.

## Defibrillator

We are very grateful to DellaTudisca through #forissey fundraising for the gift of a defibrillator which will shortly be located near the Parish Office. This adds to the variety of ways in which St Thomas' is taking care of you and all who come to us in various guises.

## Ministers of Holy Communion

You are probably aware that our rotas of Ministers of Holy Communion have shrunk, and sometimes there are not sufficient to serve the community at Mass. So shortly I will be approaching individuals to ask if they will commit themselves to do this service regularly. Thank God at the moment we seem to have sufficient who are willing and able to take communion to the sick and housebound?

## Day of Vocation

As an ideal way to prepare for the Season of Advent, there will be on

**SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER, 9.30AM TO 4PM** at St Francis, Grove Crescent Road, Stratford London E15 1NS, to consider our Baptismal calling and God's call to persons in the Church to be Single, Married, Religious, Ordained and in Lay Ministry. Please indicate interest by 22nd November via: [vocationsday@gmail.com](mailto:vocationsday@gmail.com) and please bring a shared lunch.

## Parish Activities

### Refreshments after Monday 10am Mass, 4th November

Come and join us in the Becket Centre after Monday 10am Mass, 4th November for a cup of delicious Fairtrade tea and coffee.

- **Monday 4th November 8pm**  
Keep Fit - Henrietta Suite  
Parish Council - Assisi Room
- **Wednesday 6th November 7.30pm**  
Journey of Faith
- **Saturday 9th November 10am**  
Holy Communion preparation  
Group B
- **Sunday 10th November 10am Mass**

Church Parade with the Guides, Brownies, Rainbows and Scouts. Followed by a cake sale in the Becket Centre.

### 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 followed by Tea in the Becket Centre.**

### Christmas Fayre 23rd November

More information to follow in due course as we get nearer to this important parish event.

### Troubadour

The latest issue of the Troubadour is available at the back of Church.

## International Food Evening 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

We have 11 tickets left and they are available from the Parish office. Adults £8 and Children £5.  
If you want to help on the night, please email [michellespears@live.co.uk](mailto:michellespears@live.co.uk).

This is a great occasion for meeting many newcomers who are enriching the life of our parish.

### Scripture Sharing Group

Bro. Chris (O.F.M.) will give a short introduction to our "Lectio Divina" --- Scripture sharing group on Thursday **15th November at 7:30.** Francis Room.

You are welcome to attend whether you are a regular member or new-comer. We will share on the readings of the following Sunday's Liturgy.

### CAFOD's diocesan Memorial Mass

In honour of supporters, friends and loved ones who have died will take place this year on **Wednesday 13 November at 12pm** at St Edward the Confessor RC Church, 5 Park End Road, Romford RM1 4AT at 12pm. You are warmly welcome to attend the mass followed by a short reception hosted by the Golden Club in the parish hall. A Book of Remembrance will be available for anyone who would like their loved ones held in prayer. For more information, please contact Chris Driscoll at [brentwood@cafod.org.uk](mailto:brentwood@cafod.org.uk) or call 01268 551293 or 07776 493162.

## Church Cleaning Thursday 7th November at 9am

Agnieska Tsang, Dorota Marcewicz, Tricia Hayden, Leah Bettis, Maureen Chubb, Marta Burek

### Wedding Congratulations

To Stephanie & Mathew who were recently married at St Thomas'.

### Volunteer Santa needed

The Mother and Toddlers Group would like a volunteer to play Santa at our parties on 10th and 11th of December. We would like Santa to arrive at 12noon to hand out presents. Contact Sheila Browne 02085047485.

### We are seeking a goalkeeper

Our under 8's team are seeking a goalkeeper to play in a friendly and sociable team. Currently we take turns in goal but if there is an aspiring David De Gea then come and play for us before going to Old Trafford. Training is Tuesday at 5.30 at Ashton Playing Fields. Matt Tallon  
Chairman [chairman@stcyfc.com](mailto:chairman@stcyfc.com)  
07855170256.

### Trinity School

Vacancies for Chemistry and Teacher in Charge of Spanish .Please visit the schools website for more details. Closing date: Sunday, 10th November 2019. If you have any queries please get back to me at my direct email [bmesuria@tchs.uk.net](mailto:bmesuria@tchs.uk.net).