

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Lately dead: Peter Walsh

Anniversaries: Pamela Taylor & Pauline O'Shea

FUNERAL AT ST THOMAS'

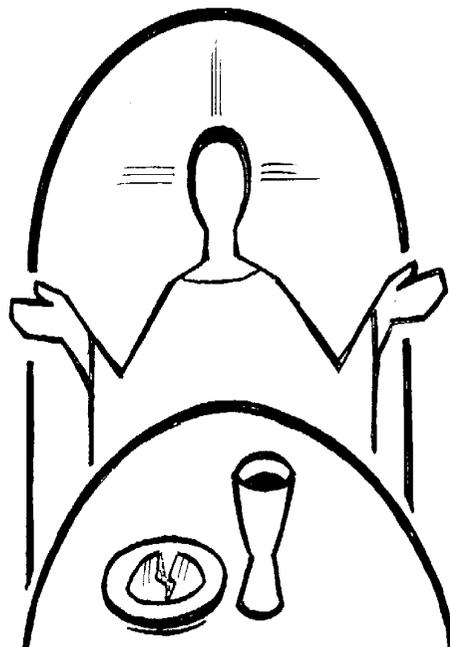
Peter Walsh's funeral service will take place on 23rd July at 10.00am

*Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord
And let perpetual light shine upon him*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

Applications forms are now available from the back of church. If your child is in Year 3 in September 2018, please take one and return it to the parish office. Closing date for applications is 7th September.

Applications received after this date will not be accepted.



ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

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Served by the Franciscans

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cycle B**

15th July 2018

God has a plan for each one of us, a plan that was formed long before we were born. Let us now come before the Lord, that we may be able to hear what the Lord has to say to each one of us.



First Reading Amos 7:12-15

Amos is being scolded by the people, but he knows what the Lord has asked him to do and he continues his mission.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

Long before even the world was made, God chose us to be holy and blameless.

Gospel Mark 6:7-13

Jesus sent the twelve apostles out in twos and they drove out many demons and anointed sick people and cured them.

Responsorial Psalm

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

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

Friars' Chapter

We friars are all engaged in this meeting which happens every three years. We look into our crystal ball to find some clues about what will happen in the coming triennium. The number of friars is diminishing while age increases. So please pray for a happy outcome of the deliberations.

During the week there will be a **Eucharistic Service each day at 10 am** instead of the usual Mass. It will give an opportunity to our Ministers of Communion to exercise this part of their ministry. As we are fortunate in having many priests able to say mass they rarely have a chance to exercise this privilege. Mass will be said each day at Chigwell. It will begin at 9.15 instead of the customary 9.30.

As the Newsletter goes to press it is too early to comment on the **Grand Fete** of Saturday. What I do commend is the huge amount of work that has gone into preparations. Aine has been very courageous in taking on the task. Yet all is done so calmly, with the assistance of many helpers. Thank you all.

Bereavement Group

There was a happy meeting with an excellent tea last Sunday bringing together many who endure the long pain of grief of loss and those who offer them support. The group meets monthly, August excepted. We received a short but very informative talk from a specialist in bereavement counselling. It is a most sensitive area, and important that everyone knows of this service for their time of need when grief of a loss strikes.



Parish Office

After 17 years service to the Friars and Parishioners, Sue will be leaving us next week. She will be missed for her compassion and kindness in ensuring the successful operation of the Parish Office. We wish her well for the future.

Parish Accounts

Please note that our latest parish accounts are available via our Web Site – click About US - Parish Council and scroll down to Finance committee. A copy is also pinned at the back of the church. Please do not remove.

Wanstead & Woodford Association for the Blind

We are a social club for the visually impaired in the area. We meet every Thursday afternoon from 2-4pm at the United Reform Church in Woodford for entertainment and refreshment. We are looking for volunteers to help on a rota basis during the afternoon and/or to drive members to and from the club. If you would be interested please phone Diana on 020 8504 8429.

Scripture sharing

The Scripture sharing group will next meet again in early October. Thanks to all who supported this group.

Electronic Newsletter

Would you like to have the parish newsletter delivered by email and receive it before you go to mass? Would you like to have it readily available on your phone or other device? If so then sign up today by going online to our parish website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org/> or by sending mail to parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org

No Assisi Lunch

A reminder that there is no Assisi lunch during July & August.

Ballroom Dancing

Learn to Ballroom Dance with a qualified teacher at Loughton Methodist Church on Tuesday between 1.30pm and 3.30pm

Awake London

A Catholic Bible convention and Healing ministry on Saturday 21st July from 2 pm to 6 pm Led By **Fr. Angelus Paul Houle and Anointing Fire Ministry** in St Anne's Catholic High School, 6 Oakthorpe Road, Palmers Green, London, N13 5TY. Convention includes; Holy Mass, Praise and Worship, Healing service and Eucharistic Adoration. **There will be a separate session for children** (www.sehionuk.org/ www.sehion.net). **free car parking available.**

Church Cleaning

THURSDAY 19TH July at 9.00am
Kath Mahoney, Jac Edwards, Emily Hannon, Sheila Charles and Iwona Moreno

Friendship group for the elderly

Residents in the West Essex area aged 75 and above, who live alone, without the support of family and friends, and who are interested in joining a Contact the Elderly group and residents interested in volunteering for Contact the Elderly Once a month as a driver, or twice a year as a host can contact Jo Hobson, National Support Officer in 0800 716543 (Freephone) or email Jo.hobson@contact-the-elderly.org.uk

The Dowry Tour

Will take place at Brentwood Cathedral from 19th to 21st July 2018. Further information can be found at the back of Church.

5 A Side Football for the over 40s



We are a group of dads who are looking for players to join us on a Wednesday evening at 9-10pm for a friendly game of 5-a-side Football in Woodford. It will keep you fit, or get you fit! If you are interested, text Reinhard on 07766600567.

Bracelet Found

Please contact the Parish Office if you have lost a bracelet in the Friary grounds