

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Lately dead:** Jackie Reilly

**Anniversaries:** Guillemuis Latore, Mario Castelletti, Susan Kemp, Palmira Pieroni, James Gorman, Eileen Foulger, Elizabeth Gevaux, Richard Stout, Sr. Kathleen Cronin, Cecil Ayles, Jeremiah Murphy, Christine Knock, Sr. Liquori Sinnott, Patricia Freeman, Ellen Courteney-Bennett, Mary O'Keefe.

### Funerals at St Thomas'

Patricia Graves's funeral will take place on 5th November at 11am

Bernard Palmer's funeral will take place on 9th November at 10am

Jackie Reilly's funeral will take place on 13th November at 10am

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**May they rest in peace**

### 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

## Electronic Newsletter

If you would like to receive the parish newsletter by email please sign up on our parish website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org> or by mailing [parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org](mailto:parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org) Your email address will be held securely. **NB** – Some email addresses that are signed up are incorrect. Therefore the newsletter cannot be delivered. If you have signed up but failed to receive the newsletter please send a mail to [parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org](mailto:parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org) so that we can correct the problem.

### Online Mass

The next masses that we intend to record are: SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 6pm;

For the present we will not be streaming mass live as this leads to degradation of quality. So for the time being we will record and then upload the mass. The mass for this week should be uploaded mid-morning on Sunday.



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Served by the Franciscans

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Cycle B**

**4th November 2018**

What is the first commandment of God's Law? To love God with all our heart and soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbour as ourselves. Let's be mindful during this Mass that this is exactly what we are doing.



### First Reading Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses presents the people with the commandment that sums up the Law of the covenant.

### Second Reading Hebrews 7:23-28

Christ is the perfect high priest who remains for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

### Gospel Mark 12:28-34

Jesus highlights the commandment from Deuteronomy as the first of all the commandments, with love of neighbour as the second. There is no law greater than this.

**Responsorial Psalm**  
I love you, Lord my strength

## **Synod on Youth**

The Synod ended last Sunday. Only gradually will we discover its impact. But our Parish Council met last Monday – ostensibly to decide about storage space for parish activities. The talk turned to provision of facilities for our young people. Leaders of Guides, Brownies, Rainbows, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers make an excellent provision for some of the age range. Beyond that yawns a gap that needs to be filled – but with what? There was thought of building. That is useless there is vision, leadership, planning coordination of purpose. The burning question is: What do young people want? So please dear readers: If you are young tell us what you want us to provide for you.

### **Francis re-build my house for it is falling into ruin.**

A very kind donor has made a large gift, prompted by my repetition of this instruction from Jesus to Francis. I think perhaps she linked it to last Sunday's information from the Finance Committee. I thank her and assure her it will start a good basis for the coming repairs. My real intention though was to urge you all to follow Francis as he gradually came to understand Jesus was not talking about stones and mortar, but about real people, their faith and prayer. So I still ask: Can we generate a discussion of what our church is and should be in the world we daily experience? We are in danger of plodding in unthinking circular routines without focus on aim and direction.

### **Bereavement Support Group**

Our next meeting will be held in our usual place, in the big room downstairs, (Henrietta Suite) on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018 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.

## **Church Appeal**

Today members of the Finance Committee will again speak at all masses. I am grateful to them for planning carefully for the big expenditure on building repairs that we will shortly have to meet. And grateful to you for your response.

### **10am Sacristans needed**

We are short of Sacristans for 10am Sunday Mass. We would be happy if 3 more people joined our team to make a team of 6. Full training will be given. Please contact the parish office for further details.

### **Soup Run**

We are going to London next Wednesday 14th of November. Donations to the Becket Centre by 7pm please.

### **Sacred Heart Companions**

The meeting is on Monday 5th of November at 2pm at Chigwell Convent.

### **Saturday School**

Saturday School returns on Saturday 3rd November at 10am. Primary school children welcome and we have space for new members! If you are interested please just come along. Feel free to drop your children off and collect them again at 11am. You will find us upstairs in the Beckett Centre. Please feel free to contact Nancy with any questions 07979 544 325.

### **CAFOD Memorial Mass**

Wednesday 14 November 12.15pm at St Edward the Confessor Catholic Church 5 Park End Road Romford RM1 4AT. Followed by a short reception hosted by the Golden Club. Join us in remembering those who touched our lives and made the world a better place.

## **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.

### **Remembrance Sunday**

#### **10.00am Mass**

Church parade with the Rainbow, brownies, guides, beaves, cubs and scouts.

#### **11.30am Mass**

We will be joined by Peter Wright, Solo trumpeter with the London Mozart Players.

### **The Parish annual Service of Remembrance**

The annual Bereavement Service to remember our departed loved ones will be held in the church on Sunday 11th 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 January 2017 to date. Should you wish to add any other names, please send them to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

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

If you have any queries contact Angela Barnes on Tel. 020 8505 0356

### **Purse found**

Please contact the Parish office if you lost a purse in the car park.

## **Church Cleaning**

**Friday, 9th of November at 9am.**

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

### **Christmas Fayre – November 24th 2018**

We are delighted to confirm that the much loved Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 24 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.

### **Friary Tennis Club Quiz**

Friary Tennis Club Quiz  
Saturday November 10th from 7:30pm in the Becket Centre  
Table nibbles provided, and a licensed bar.  
Price: £7 as previously (plus a hot meal at £5 if you wish).

This event is always good fun, and helps towards relaying our courts in the Friary gardens.  
If you would like to come, or have any questions, please email [bernard.hunter@outlook.com](mailto:bernard.hunter@outlook.com)

### **Trinity School Vacancies**

Teacher of Home Economics, Permanent, January 2019  
HoD of Home Economics, Maternity Cover, January 2019  
Closing date 11th November 2018

Candidates can download details of the role from the schools website <http://fc.tchs.uk.net/vacancies.shtml> and email applications to [recruitment@fc.tchs.uk.net](mailto:recruitment@fc.tchs.uk.net)