

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Lately dead: Francis Brennan, Eustace Milton-King, Mary Teresa Green, Mary Teresa Green & Inna De Silva

Anniversaries: Sheamus Hanley, Mrs. White, Dennis McCardle, Maggie Little, Marry O'Sullivan, Sister Patricia Collins, Mark Thompson, William Maher, Arthur Rayner, Joan Spalding and David Millar.

COFFEE MORNING AT ST THOMAS - MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Join us in the Becket Centre after all Masses on Sunday, 23rd September in support of The World's Biggest Coffee Morning, Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer. Last year alone over £27 million was raised and we can help make this another successful year. One in two of us will face cancer, and the money raised at the Coffee Morning will help us make sure no one has to face it alone. Please bring your cake(s) along, EARLY on Sunday 23rd September, to help us make a difference!

Mass Online – the times

The next masses that we intend to record are:

SATURDAY 8th 6pm;
SATURDAY 15TH 11.30am;
SATURDAY 22nd 6pm;
SATURDAY 29th 6pm.

NB – Please note that SATURDAY 15TH 11.30am is the ordination mass of Alan Mair. This mass will be streamed in its entirety.

In order to view these masses please visit our parish website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org>.

Then look for the icon labelled **Mass Online**. Click on this and then click on the link to **You Tube**. You can now either watch the mass live or log in later during the week to see the recording.

(NB – The mass is only available via our website link. As it is not 'Public' you cannot search for it or find it on You Tube)

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



ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

Woodford Green

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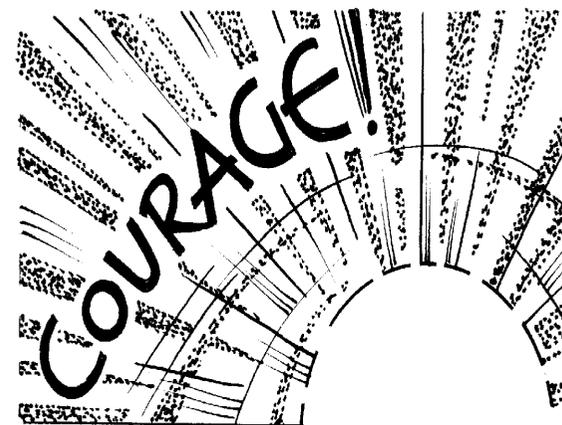


Served by the Franciscans

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cycle B**

9th September 2018

The Lord has invited us here today to speak some message to each of us in word and sacrament. May we all hear God's word to us clearly.



First Reading Isaiah 35:4-7

The prophet Isaiah says, "Courage, do not be afraid!" The Lord is coming to save us.

Second Reading James 2:1-5

James calls us to be careful not to turn ourselves into judges, judging incorrectly between the rich and the poor.

Gospel Mark 7:31-37

Jesus makes the deaf man hear and speak clearly. The people are full of admiration and say, "He has done all things well."

Responsorial Psalm

My soul, give praise to the Lord

National Eucharistic Congress

This weekend our National church is engaged in prayer centred on the Blessed Sacrament. Three weeks hence – from 6pm Friday 28th to 6pm Saturday 29th - we will spend 24 hours of adoration in St Thomas. We rely on you to plan and set aside time to play your part. Two years ago many found unexpected delight in spending a long period in the still of the night. I hope every able member of the parish will come for a visit. But to draw any deep benefit it is good to come for an hour – or as much of it as you can. Bring the children and teach them simply to be still before Our Lord.

24 Hour Adoration

There will be 24 hour adoration of the Blessed Sacrament commencing with Evening Prayer at 6pm on Friday 28th September & concluding with Mass at 6pm on Saturday 29th September. Details are on flyers (and the notice board) at the back of the church as well as the parish website. Can you or a group to which you belong spend an hour in adoration during this time? You can sign up on the schedule at the back of the church.

Ordination

On **Saturday September 15th**, 11.30am at St. Thomas', Bishop Alan Williams will ordain Alan Mair to the Permanent Diaconate. This will be followed by a reception in Trinity Lower Site Hall, Sydney Road. All very welcome

Bereavement Support Group

Our next meeting will be held in our usual place, in the big room downstairs, (Henrietta Suite) on **Thursday 13th September 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.

Newspapers

Please note that the Catholic Universe and the Catholic Times now costs £1.50.

SVP retiring collection

Our SVP conference is twinned with a conference in Kerala in India. You will have seen from the news that the area has been devastated by floods, hundreds of people have died and thousands have lost their homes and livelihoods. We are making a collection after all masses this weekend. All proceeds will be sent to Kerala where the money can be used to help those in desperate need.

TELCO

Do you want to learn more about the work of Telco and join the team working for social justice? You are invited to attend a training session in which you will develop skills used in building powerful relationships to bring about change. The meeting will take place on **10th September at 6pm- 7.30 pm. At St. Thomas of Canterbury**, Assisi Room, Beckett Centre. For further information and to confirm your place please contact our organiser Ana Ferreira on ana.ferreira@citizensuk.org

Soup Run

Our next Soup Run to London is on Wednesday 12th September. Please leave your donations of food and warm men's clothing in the Becket Centre before 7pm please.

10am Sunday teas

New rotas are available in the supplies cupboard in the becket centre kitchen. Please pick up your copy.

Tuesday Club

Welcome back talk on "Dean Martin" on 11th September by Bill. Look forward to seeing you all there.

FITNESS CLASS

Starts Monday 10th September 8pm Beckett Centre (*bring a mat or towel for floor exercises*) Only £4 per session PAYG

Sick, housebound living in care homes

A Mass for the Sick, Housebound and those living in Care Homes (with anointing of the sick) will be held at St. Thomas's on **Sunday 30th September 2018 at 3pm** followed by refreshments in the Becket Centre. *If you require transport please contact the parish office*

Outdoor Cinema—21st September

Join us for another St Thomas of Canterbury family outdoor cinema night in the friary gardens. Doors open at 6pm for BBQ, licensed bar and treats and the best seats! Due to popular demand the film will be SING and will commence at 7pm. Tickets £6 on the door or £4 if purchased from the parish office before Tuesday 18th September. Also purchase BBQ tickets in advance to avoid disappointment on the night. Bring your own blankets or chairs. Funds raised for the St Thomas of Canterbury TELCO group community sponsorship project. Indoor provision will be made in the event of adverse weather conditions.

International Food Evening

We are looking to run the international food evening again this year on Saturday 3rd November and we require some volunteers to produce for us a plate of food that serves 10 portions if you are interested or want more information please contact Michelle on michellespears74@googlemail.com

Franciscan Missions

So far the appeal for the FMU has raised £4300. Thank you to everyone who has contributed. If anyone missed the appeal for whatever reason and would like to make an offering, there are mission envelopes available at the back of the church.

Church Cleaning

SATURDAY 15th September at 10.30am

Charmaine Turnell, Deborah Butteworth, Rachel Woolf, Rosie O'Connor, Deborah McNamara and Cathy Daley
From now on Jac Edwards will be taking over the cleaning. If you have an email address that we can send future rotas to could you please email it to Jac. Her email is on bottom of rota. Thank you all for your help and support over the many years that I have done this. Pat

Trinity Open evening

An Open Evening for prospective entrants to Trinity Catholic High School (Science & Sports College) will be held on Wednesday 3rd October 2018. The School will be organising two opportunities for parents to visit at 4pm and 5.30pm. Both visits will commence with an address from Dr P C Doherty OBE and will be followed by organised tours of the School. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2018.

St Joseph's Convent School

Applications are invited for our Nursery Class to start in Autumn 2018 – girls born between 1/9/14 to 31/8/15 and Reception Class – girls born between 1/9/13 – 31/8/14. There are also places available across the remainder of the school. Please contact our Admissions Secretary for further information and to arrange a visit to view the school. Please telephone 0208 989 4700 or email enquiries@stjosephsconventschoo.co.uk

Certificate of Practice

Please note that we will publish dates in October when the Priest will sign certificates of practice for school applications