

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Lately Dead Roni Ferrari

August Anniversaries:

Dennis Curran, Josseline Heal, Margaret (Greta) O'Donnell, Carol Bullman, Catherine Dunbar, Thomas Keating, Stanislaus Bell, Sandra Dimmock, Giuseppina Verney, Patricia Boutall, Eileen Hodgkinson, James Leahy, Maureen Regan, Terrance Voisey, Dorothy Craft, Louis MacPherson, Peter Murphy, Lydia Pittard. Sister Hockran, Jack Machin, Felix Marr, Peter Horton, Iris Monk, Emmeline Friel, Gerrard Houlihan, Nancy Ryan, Philip Kelly, Sister Mary McStraw, Catherine Morgan, Carmen Robertson, Peter Arthur, James Bourke, John Gilmartin, Patrick Keane, Sister Anna O'Brien, Christopher Pumfrey. Matilda Griffiths, Miriam Harwood, Goretti Parchment, Ronald Brady, Sheila Brown, John Cunningham, Clement Dodge, Ruby Hall, John Inglis, Margaret Griffin, Oona Lindemann, Joan Walsh, Felix Fox, Grace Kenny, Anne Luggeri, Sister Mildred O'Connor, William Titmarsh, Joseph Littlehill, Sister Perpetua O'Brien. Barnaby Browne, John Hutton, Liam Lynch, Nellie Martin, Laurence Nelson, Jane Nolan, Isabel Dunleavy, Anabelle Hill, Patrick Maloney, Teresa Thambynayagam, Kitty Blogg, Pawel Kalinowski, Anna Moss, Peggy Devine, Bridgett Kildea, Margaret Andrews, Henry Christey, Nora Pollard, Benjamin Pound, Sister Margaret Crimmins, Michael Potrykus, Joan Browne, Elizabeth Franklin, Helena Greene. Michael Box, Ann Kenyon, Cynthia Kenyon, Albert (Jack) Lee, Anne Digby, Emma Huxley,

Football

The St Thomas teams are back! Players required Year 1-11, boys and girls welcome. Training will again be at Ashton Playing Fields, Chigwell Road, Woodford Bridge, Tuesday 5.30 -6.30 and 6.30 -7.30 yet to confirmed by F.A. For information please email chairman@stcyfc.com or call 07855170256. Matt Tallon

Parish Newsletter & Email Updates

To sign up to receive the parish newsletter online go to <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org/Scroll> down to the bottom of the page where you will see (on the right hand side) a box headed SUBSCRIBE TO THE PARISH NEWSLETTER **Parish News**

To sign up to receive general parish news please mail parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org

This will be occasional news giving particular updates or news of importance and/or urgency.

St Thomas' Opening times August 2020

Monday Evening Mass at 7pm

Tuesday Closed

Wednesday Mass at 10am

Thursday Closed

Friday Evening Mass at 7pm

Saturday Mass at 10am

Sunday Closed



ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY
Woodford Green
A FAIRTRADE PARISH



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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A) Sunday 2nd August 2020

Jesus feeds all those who come to him. He feeds us in a special way when we come to receive him in the Eucharist. He becomes present to us in his very self. May we receive this gift of himself with great joy and gratitude.

First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-3

The Lord invites us to come to him and our soul will live.

Second Reading

Romans 8:35. 37-39

Nothing can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ.

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus feeds all those who come to him abundantly.



2019-2020 Chair's Annual Report of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

It has been quite a difficult and rather frustrating time for the PPC. The year started off well with an "Away day" at Chigwell in August which all council members attended and concluded with good intentions to a) try and make the Parish more welcoming b) work on issues regarding the youth of the Parish c) Communication issues.

The issue of the lack of activities for the youth in the parish is not unique to STOC and initially we hoped to work together on this with the other parishes in the Parish Partnership. This did not prove feasible as each had different viewpoints so we decided to go it alone and plan some youth events later in the year. By February though the Covid pandemic was on the horizon and by March we were in lockdown. Since then all activities have been frozen.

Mental Health was also high on our agenda and we did manage to arrange an excellent well attended lecture on the topic just before lockdown occurred though subsequent talks had to be cancelled. Fortunately a volunteer's event was held with great success earlier in the year before the Becket Centre closed down.

Many meetings have taken place on fabric issues - the roofing has now been finished and work on the new heating system was at an advanced stage before that too was paused. Currently we are trying to restart this and have the heating installed as soon as possible.

A Health and Safety team was formed last year mainly to deal with issues that our insurers had drawn our attention to regarding the safety of Staff, Friars and Parishioners. At the time we did not realise that within months it would be needed in a pandemic! The safety measures introduced in March and updated on an almost weekly level since are directly due to the team supported by the Parish Office.

Whilst the Parish Council is in dire need of enthusiastic new members it is not the main source of activity in the Parish. There are many groups and individuals in the parish where the real work is done, all involved in diverse activities such as youth activities, sacramental and pastoral work, cleaning, fund raising, maintenance, IT and Mass Streaming, evaluating services provided to the parish (Phones, Utilities etc.) and many other good works. To try and name all is impossible as there are so many but our thanks to them all and also the Parish Office staff who seem to be involved in just about everything.

Sadly we will not be having an AGM this year due to Covid Restrictions but should parishioners have any ideas, questions or advice they wish to give to members of the PPC please do write to us via the mail below and we will reply.

Kit Tranmer (Chair) ParishCouncilChairSTOC@Groups.Io

Parish Finance Report

The Parish Finance Committee report will shortly be available on the website. Owing to the Covid 19 restrictions, it will not be possible this year to present the Parish Accounts at the Annual General Meeting. As an alternative to airing any issues at an AGM, the Finance Committee would welcome any questions or observations arising from the financial statement. These should be submitted by email to parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org. We will collate these and provide an FAQ statement at the beginning of September.

Parish Communications Committee Report

This will shortly be available on the website

August Newsletter

There will be no newsletter for the remainder of August. Any updates that parishioners need to be aware of will be sent via our email communications.

Trinity Vacancy

Clerical Assistant; Maths & English Dept
Please visit the school website for more information.

Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 10th August for one day.



We will be streaming the 10am Mass on Sunday

Mass Intentions

Sunday 2nd August

People of parish
Julia Moore RIP

Monday 3rd August

Peter Hayes RIP
Marie Quaine RIP

Tuesday 4th August

Paulette Macpherson anniv
Sean McLoughlin int
Sean Davies RIP

Wednesday 5th August

Mary Harrington RIP
Astrid Turner RIP

Thursday 6th August

Fiona Worledge RIP
Trinity intentions

Friday 7th August

CWL
Maureen Pollick sick

Saturday 8th August

Lou Macpherson anniv
Vera Craft anniv

Sunday 9th August

People of the parish
Mary Jo Galvin RIP