

**ST. ANTONY'S CATHOLIC  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
RECEPTION APPLICATIONS**

For those children whose dates of birth fall between 1st Sept 2009 and 31st August 2010 and who wish to apply for the Reception classes to start in Sept. 2014. Applications are made on line on the Redbridge website [www.redbridge.gov.uk](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk) and then follow the link for Admissions, or if you live in another authority please apply direct to them. If you have any queries please contact the school on 020 8504 4706. The Supplementary Forms and Priest's Reference Forms can be downloaded from the school's website [www.st-antony.net](http://www.st-antony.net) or collected from the school. The parish office requires the completed priests reference form along with copy of the child's baptism cert. and non-returnable family photo.

**ST. FRANCIS LEPROSY GUILD**

Invite you to our Annual Mass of Thanksgiving on Wed. 9th October at 6pm at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, W1K 3AH followed by a reception in the hall and a presentation on our work in South India.

**LAY ASSOCIATES OF  
THE HOLY FAMILY**

Meeting on Monday, 7th October at Maureen's house at 7.30pm.

**CWL**

**NEARLY NEW & JUMBLE SALE**

Sat. 26th October at 2pm in the Becket Centre. Please leave your donations in the church porch.

**15TH WOODFORD  
RAINBOWS & GUIDES**

The parents, Rainbows and Guides say a big thank you to the leaders and parents' help for a great Day/Weekend at Gilwell.

**CHURCH CLEANING**

Friday 9am 11th October Margaret Chung, Jennifer Sorrell, Christabel Wijeweera, Francesca Cusion, Liz Atkinson. Revised copies of the church cleaning rota with the new ladies included are now at the back of the church. Please take a copy.

**TRINITY CATHOLIC  
HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS**

The closing date for applications is 31st Oct. 2013. The parish office requires the completed priest's reference form along with copy of the child's baptism certificate and non-returnable family photo.

**TENNIS CLUB QUIZ**

Saturday 19th October, 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Admission £6. Licensed bar, professional quizmasters and table nibbles. Hot supper can also be provided for those tables wanting it. Questions or bookings to Bernard ([bernard.hunter@which.net](mailto:bernard.hunter@which.net) or 07968 173110).

**PARENTING**

Alison Webster returns to St. Thomas'. Parents are invited to attend a combination of talks and small group work entitled "Time out for Parents" theme: resilient children. This is a one off, half day session on Sat. 9th Nov. 1-4.30pm in the Becket Centre. It is prepared especially for the parents of primary and secondary school age children. No booking required.

**TRINITY QUIZ NIGHT**

To be held on Saturday 12th October, 7.30pm at Lower Site. Please contact Mrs Lanchester on 8504 8946 for tickets.

**1st COMMUNION**

Catechists' Meeting Wednesday, 9th October 8pm in the William Scott Room.

**PARISH AGM**

The Parish AGM will be held on October 13th at 5pm in the Becket Centre. It will be an opportunity for all parishioners to hear a number of interesting presentations on the activities of the parish in the last year and also to see and vote on some changes to the constitution of the Parish Council. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Parish Council please contact the Parish Office A copy of the summary financial position is available to view on the notice board at the back of the church. for more information.

**IN TOUCH**

The parish magazine will be on sale at all Masses this weekend Price £2. This issue carries a transcript of Father Austin's interview on BBC.

**LAY INITIATIVES STUDY DAY**

Enjoy a day of sharing and reflection on opportunities and guidelines for Christians in the modern world on Sat. 25th Oct. 9.30am—4pm at Centre for Catholic Formation, 21 Tooting Bec Rd. Tooting. See poster in the church porch. From a focus on the bi-centenary of Frederic Ozanam, Founder of St. Vincent de Paul Society, we can discover better the many sided potential of fellow believers. Cost £3. Tea and coffee provided. Please bring a packed lunch. 020 8672 7684 [office@ccftootingbec.org.uk](mailto:office@ccftootingbec.org.uk).

**SOUP RUN FOR THE HOMELESS**

Wednesday, 9th Oct. We would be grateful to receive sandwiches, fruit, cakes, sweets and warm men's clothing. Items can be left in the parish office on Wed. morning or in the Becket Centre between 7pm and 8pm on Wed. evening. We would like to say a big thank you to Julie Prior and all the staff and parents of Normanhurst School, Chingford, for their generous donations following their Harvest Festival.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Will take place on 30th November. It is a fabulous day for the Parish which is always very well supported. If anyone wishes to take part or run a stall then please contact the parish office or call Philippa March on 020 8559 2928. Any new suggestions would be most welcome.

**ST. THOMAS' PLAYGROUPS**

The under 2's meet on Wednesdays from 9.30am until 11am. Tues. Group from birth to 5years from 9.30am until 11am in the Becket Centre. Both groups have places available. The cost is 50p per person i.e. £1 mum & child. Please come along to meet local mums.

**TELCO**

**Social Care Campaign**

Today is "Silver Sunday", a day when we nationally recognise and celebrate our citizens over the age of sixty five. As a member of TELCO we ask for your help to collect information relating to your experience of Social Care. If you know someone (family or friend) who lives or had lived in a residential care home, has a carer coming into their home or if you are someone who works for a care agency or care home, please spare a minute to speak with the TELCO representative as you leave Mass today. The plan is to collate the information and present it to Council Representatives and others as part of the campaign to hold them accountable for improving the quality care they commission. We thank you for supporting the Social Care Campaign.

**SPANISH CLUB**

Spanish classes are running on Thursdays & Fridays at the Becket Centre. There are several courses for pre-school, primary and secondary school children. For more information please contact 07957 133 176/ [babelia@btinternet.com](mailto:babelia@btinternet.com)

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Sick:-** Phil Archer, Ellen Armstrong, Mary Barnes, Alice Binder, Moira Bisset, Angela & Kerry Bromfield, Liz Channer, Chris Callow, Elsie Carey, Veronica Carroll, Claire, David Clancy, Violet Clark, Sue Crail, Kathie Crowley, Chanelle Conway, Alan Cornish, Noreen Coyle, Kate Crowley, Mary Cullis, Siobhan Davids, Tomoko Dawson, Karen Davies, Donald Dourado, Mary Duffy, Michael Durcan, Harold Elston, Alan Farmer, Ray Finney, Fr. Jim Fitzpatrick, Irene & Carter de Freitas, Nora Gaiger, Martin Garnar, Judy & John Gilmartin, Joan Green, Pat Greene, Amelia Halfyard, Doris Harriss, Rowland Hill, Veronica Hutchison, Stephen Jannece, Derek Jones, Michael Kennedy, Jacqui Lebaz, Lauren, Dennis McMullen, Patricia McGurk, Mary McKay, Ron Mallett, Hannah Martin, Sadie Meade, Jutta Menzies, Kathleen, Meyler, Pat Meyler, Maureen Noden, Anthony O'Boyle, Mary O'Boyle, Joanne O'Boyle, Mary O'Connor, Katie O'Neil, John O'Niones, Lucy Owen, Lily Reding, Mark Pateman, Anneli Prowse, Jacky Rott, Sandra Sifflett, Debbie Smythe, Karen Spencer, Carmel Sweeney, Mary Taylor, Alfi Thompson, Terry Wauer, Monica Worsefold.

**Lately Dead:** Patricia Coffey, Frances Devlin, Angela Francescotti, Rodolfo Laxamana, Eileen O'Connell,  
**Anniv:** Baby Angelo Francescotti, Marie Saliba.

### 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

*We extend the sympathy of the parish to the family of Angela Francescotti who died on Wednesday. May she rest in peace. Angela's Requiem will take place on Thursday, 10th October at 10am in St. Thomas'.*

### TUESDAY CLUB

On the 8th October it's "Favourite Poems". We'll also be collecting deposits for Christmas Lunch. Look forward to seeing everyone at 2pm in the Becket Centre.

### SUNDAY TEAS

We need one new person to help with teas after 10am Mass on a Sunday. It would be on a rota once in 7 weeks with 2 other people. If you think you can help please ring Pat Bell 8504 4577.

### ROSARY

The Rosary will be said after the 10am Mass Mon—Fri during October.

### ACROSS QUIZ

Sat. 26th Oct. at St. Teresa's Church Hall, Chingford. £5 bring own drinks and nibbles. Start 7.30pm. To book tickets contact Sheila on 0208 504 3839.

### PILATES

Beginners Class commences on 16th Oct 7.30pm—8.30pm, Intermediate Class commences on 17th Oct. 7.30pm—8.30pm both in the Clare Room. For more info contact David 07572 527869.

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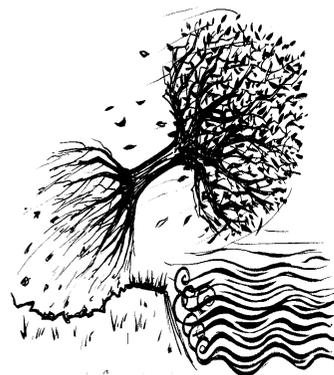


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## 27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR CYCLE C

6th OCTOBER 2013



St. Paul tells us that we have been given a great gift—our faith—which we are to fan into a flame. We gather this day to renew our thanksgiving for the many gifts we have been given.

### First Reading (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4)

The prophet complains that God does not hear or act; God responds and asks for faith and patience.

### Second Reading (2 Timothy 1:6-8. 13-14)

God gives the Holy Spirit empowering us to bear witness to our faith and to persevere in the face of difficulty.

### Gospel (Luke 17:5-10)

It is not the quantity of faith that matters, but the quality of one's relationship with God.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.

*Please put your Family Fast envelopes in the baskets provided at the back of the church.*