

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Anniversaries:** Arthur Rayner, Seamus Hanley, Sister Carmel Ronayne, Annie Horton, John Martin, Rita Willcocks, Violet Mulligan, John O'Halloran, Patrick Murphy, Rita Roudette.

### St Thomas' Mass Times

**Monday** Evening Mass at 7pm

**Tuesday** Closed

**Wednesday** Mass at 10am  
followed by the Rosary

**Thursday** Closed

**Friday** Mass at 10am

**Saturday** Mass at 10am & 6pm a booking for the evening mass must be made

**Sunday** Mass at 9am & 11am  
Bookings MUST be made

### ICHTUS For the children

This is now available on our website, it should help you discuss with your child the readings at the Sunday masses during September.

## Church Donations

- **On-line donations**

Thank you to those parishioners who have used the Diocese of Brentwood on-line donation website. For those who maybe interested the site can be found at

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=woodford%20green>

- **By Standing order**

Contact the parish office for details

**What you need to do if you wish to attend a Saturday or Sunday Mass**

**Visit** the Parish Office which is open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 1.30pm

OR **Phone** the office on 020 8504 1686 (answering machine available)

Or **email** us at [parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org](mailto:parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org)

We will need the names of those attending in your household/bubble and a contact number

*Please note that we are fully booked for this coming weekend*



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Woodford Green

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Served by the Franciscans

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A) Sunday 13th September 2020

Please note the nearest Fire Exit to you whilst you are in the Church



Only human beings set limits to what they will give and forgive. This is partly because we live in time, and time makes us set limits to what we do and give to each other. Eternity is without limits.

### First Reading

Ecclesiasticus 27:30 – 28:7

The cure for bad memories is to remember the things of God.

### Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

Life and death only have meaning when they are lived for something more than ourselves.

### Gospel

Mathew 18:21-35

There is no limit to forgiveness, because heaven is eternal forgiveness.

### Responsorial psalm

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

## Almost 100 new communicants

This week we have brought the '19/20 communion preparation programme to a near happy completion. All agreed that the new pattern of arranging many masses for the first communions was immensely better than the practice of previous years. I want to thank all who made this such a good and happy experience. I thank you parents who built on the Saturday morning lessons working with the children and sharing mass each week till the lockdown. Special Thanks to Nicola and Teresa and their support teams and catechists. Thanks to the Parish Office staff for many hours of work. And this year hugely important were the stewards who came many times to assist each to their place, and afterwards sanitised the church thoroughly.

## Restoration Fund

At the outset the communion preparation group had set themselves a target of raising £10,000 for the church restoration. Lockdown abruptly put an end to several fund-raising ventures. Still they have raised over £8000 for this purpose. I am amazed at your industry and generosity. Thank you very warmly. Contractors spent some time this past Thursday viewing the premises and task.

## Holy Communion preparation 20/21

### Last few days remaining to apply

Already we have a long list of applicants and anyone wishing their child to receive Holy Communion next year should apply before the deadline of next Friday. We are working on the programme within the present safety restrictions and hope soon to make a start

## Trinity School applications

In response to the COVID-19 situation and due to extraordinary circumstances this year, the school have commissioned a virtual tour of Trinity Catholic High School, which can be found on our website (<https://fc.tchs.uk.net/>). The school has taken this decision, not to expose our prospective parents to any unnecessary risks. The school realises that you, as parents, may be disappointed with regard to this but please be aware that we only have the interests of the parents, and our school community, at the forefront of this decision, and would not wish to disadvantage any parents who may not feel able to attend. The website contains a lot of information regarding Key Stage 3, 4 and 5 teaching and the School Prospectus contains details of the life of the school. Please contact Mrs L Scrivens, Admissions Officer, on [L.Scrivens@tchs.uk.net](mailto:L.Scrivens@tchs.uk.net), if you have any further queries and this will be passed onto the relevant department. Closing date 31st October 2020

## Certificates of practice

We are aware that the secondary school application process has commenced. Please let us have a family photo with details of the masses you would normally attend, covid permitting. We will then advise you of the signing process. In order to assist with the current restrictions the Parish Office will also deliver the signed certificates directly to the School when ready.

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 13th September

People of the parish  
Kathy Wilson  
Kitty Tuohy anniv

### Monday 14th September

Derek Smedley RIP  
Sr Jane de Chantal

### Tuesday 15th September

Marisa Golaszewska RIP  
Sr Catherine Burns

### Wednesday 16th September

David Wilson RIP  
Andrew Murphy RIP

### Thursday 17th September

Sr Anne Griffin  
Trinity intentions

### Friday 18th September

Vi Mulligan RIP  
Elizabeth Kyndt RIP

### Saturday 19th September

Maurice Ejimofor anniv  
Lydia & Zijian Tan

### Sunday 20th September

People of the parish  
Jim Gaffney RIP



## Mass streaming

The 11am Sunday Mass will be streamed until further notice

## Church cleaning

We have a new weekly rota for church cleaning which is particularly important in these covid times. Without this support and the sterling work of the Mass Stewards we would not be able to hold any masses or life ceremonies. If you can assist please let the parish office know

**Tuesday** at 10.30am Sheila Charles & Geraldine Mansbridge

**Each Thursday** at 10.30 am Sue Mansbridge & Jackie John

**Each Saturday at 10.45am** Church Stewards, Kathleen Mahoney, Michelle Liddle & Christine Acons

## Redbridge Food Bank

The Foodbank collection box is now open again in the Church porch. Please give generously! **NO** jumble/clothes etc.

## Trinity Uniform Final Appeal

Many thanks to you for your patience in holding on to unwanted but good quality Trinity school uniform, shoes, trainers and football boots. We are now able to take receipt of your donations. Please contact the Parish Office to make the arrangements Nicky Crowther

## Flat available to rent

Ground floor flat on Sydney Road contact 07791 506285 for more information

## Trinity Vacancies

Finance Officer & Cover Supervisor

Please visit the schools website for more details.