P LEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Truci Abrahams, Peter Anderson, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Miss Terry Bennett, Sandra Bourke, Arlene Bowman, Angela Bromfield, Geoff Brown, Gerry Cook, Tony Daws, Irene de Freitas, Don Dourado, Trish Gardner, Cynthia Gregory, Betty Halliday, Doris Harriss, Joan Hayes, Margaret Jones, Baby Samuel Keys, Anna-Maria Intz-Trak, Rory McCreesh, Margaret McDonnell, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Patricia Martin, Jutta Menzies, Dr. Douglas Murphy, Betty Norton, Maureen Pestell, Maureen Pollock, Joan Reynolds, Jean-Yves de Sainte-Croix de la Sabliere. Debbie Smythe, Madelaine Sydric, Astrid Turner, Rita Watkins.

Lately Dead: Nora Crow, Catherine Fullerton, Patrick McGurk, Agnes Mullan, Rosanna Pennacchi, Eric Seelv, Michael Whitehead

TUTOR REOUIRED

For child going into Year 4, help with Maths and English for an hour a week. Also tutor required for final year in A Level Maths.

Please contact 078903 674872.

Specialist Dyslexia/SEN/Primary School teacher available for individual tutoring. Please contact Phillipa 0790 552360.

CHURCH CLEANING

Thursday 9.00am 14th Sept. Kath Mahoney, Jack Edwards, Emily Hannon, Kathy Howes, Iwona Moreno

We are in need of someone to help clean our church on a Thursday morning at 9am. It would be once in 7 weeks on a rota. We need just one hour of your time. For more information please ring Pat Bell 020 8504 4577.

LIFT REQUIRED

A lady living at Churchfields Nursing Home, S. Woodford would be grateful for a lift to/from St. Thomas' even on an occasional basis. Please contact parish office for details.

WITNESSES?

To car incident with grey VW Polo leaving 8.30Mass from the Parish drive on Sun. 18th June with BMW 2181 AO65 KRV. Please contact Carol Walters on 07949 405252.

SATURDAY SCHOOL

Restarts on Saturday, 16th September from 10am—11am in the Becket Centre. Any questions, contact Nancy 07979 544325.

BABY SITTING

Reliable 16year old from Trinity 6th form School is available for baby sitting. Contact 07940504781 if interested.

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

+T+ St Thomas of Canterbury 557/559 High Road, Woodford Green, Essex IG8 ORB **Served by the Franciscans**

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23RD SUNDAY CYCLE A

ORDINARY TIME 10TH SEPTEMBER 2017



Our God is a God of justice and mercy. We seek God's face and desire God's presence among us in our parish community and in our homes.

First Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Speak to those who are wicked so that they may repent

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-10

Love is the answer to every one of our commandments

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

If your brother listens to you then you have won him back.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

"Be still and know that I am God" Fittingly our Parish Year begins with prayer So:-

24 HOURS ADORATION

The 24 hours begins with evening prayer in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6pm on Friday. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed there through the night till the Mass at 10am on Saturday. It is a time to sit quietly with the Lord. Talk to him a little, listen to him much. I do hope you will all come at least for a while. Bring the children. They rarely see how Catholic practice relies totally on quiet appreciation of God's huge gift of himself, spelled out by his constant presence in the church.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION

Finally we do have good catechists and willing helpers sufficient to provide the Saturday morning sessions customary in recent years. These run from Saturday September till next May. We are much indebt to these generous people who give their time and expertise to teach the children. I shall be stressing very heavily that these sessions for the children are only part of the needed preparation. Much more important is what you do with them in your home and family.

DIOCESAN RENEWAL AND RESTRUCTURING

The Diocese has published a first draft of a plan of renewal and restructuring. It is a c c e s s i b l e o n l i n e a t www.dioceseofbrentwood/documents/ development. What finally will emerge from this will have a big effect on our parish so we need to take it seriously. I believe there is much to be altered and improved. Is there any interest in setting up a discussion(s) after a careful reading? Please tell Quentin if you are interested.

COME TO THE MOVIES

A parish is a family of families. We need to share our social life more. So this interesting evening in the Friary garden is the first new social event of the season.

PARISH OUTDOOR FAMILY CINEMA EXPERIENCE

Come and see ZOOTROPOLIS on Friday 29th September at 6pm in the Friary Gardens. There will be a BBQ and licensed bar. Tickets for cinema will be £6 on the door (under 3 free). Advance bargain tickets can be purchased £8 per person for cinema, BBQ and soft drink or family ticket for 4 people for £30 to include cinema, BBQ and 4 soft drinks. All welcome. Please bring your own blankets. Popcorn and ice cream will also be available, alternative arrangements have been made in case of rain!!

Advance tickets must be paid to the parish office by Tuesday, 26th Sept. Please leave your name and tickets will be ready for your collection on the door. St. Thomas TELCO Group with our community sponsorship partners are raising money for the community sponsorship programme working towards bringing a Syrian family to Redbridge. Please come and support us. Email gemmabourdillon3@hotmail for more details.

If you would like to know more about the event/community sponsorship/st Thomas Telco Team please email Gemma at gemmabourdillon3@hotmail.com.

ST. JOSEPH'S CONVENT SCHOOL

Open Morning Wed. 4th Oct. 2017 starting at 9.30am. Applications for Nursery Class to start in Sept. 2018—girls born between 1.9.14—31.8.15 and Reception Class birthdays between 1.9.13—31.8.14. Contact 0208 989 4700 or enquiries@stjosephsconventschool.co.uk.

CONFIRMATION 2018

This Year's Confirmation with Bishop Alan will take place on Wednesday, 31st January at 7.30pm. Application forms are available from the back of the church or from the parish office. Because of the re-organisation of our Programme, no applications will be accepted after 1.30pm on Friday 22nd September.

YOGA

Classes starting on 11th September for mature students 12pm—1.30pm. For details please contact Jacqui 0208 504 9035 or jacqui_bonham@tiscali.co.uk.

IRISH DANCING

Starts back for the new term this Monday in the Becket Centre. Any interested girls and boys should just turn up at either 4.30pm—5.30pm or 5.30—6.30pm and join in the fun with the Claddagh Academy. Further info please call Pauline Shaw on 07846 603259.

SICK, HOUSEBOUND, LIVING IN CARE HOMES

A Mass for the Sick, Housebound and those living in Care Homes will be celebrated on Sunday, 24th September at 3pm here at St. Thomas'; followed by light refreshments. During the Mass, the Sacrament of the Sick will be available for those wishing to receive it. We are keen to invite as many of our sick and housebound parishioners to this Mass, so please take a flyer giving details of the Mass (available at the back of the church) and invite any neighbours your know who might like to come along. Ministers of Communion who take Holy Communion to the sick: please ensure that you invite those you Minister to. Anyone wishing to attend the Mass and requiring transport, please call the parish office 0208 504 12686.

There will be a Diocesan Collection for Catholic Education after all Masses

SPANISH CLUB

For Children in the Becket Centre. The autumn term will start next week:

Tuesdays: Years 5 & 6

Fridays Reception & Years 1 & 2

Fridays Years 3,4 & 5

Contact Amaia 07957133176

bebelia@btinternet.com

SOUP RUN

The next Soup Run will be on Wednesday Sept 13th.

Donations of men's clothing, trainers etc., toiletries sandwiches, fruit, biscuits gratefully received. Please bring to the parish office on the day or 7pm to the Becket Centre kitchen.

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Open Evening for parents of prospective year 7 Entrants on Wednesday, 20th September 2017. The school will be organising 2 opportunities for parents to visit at 4pm and 5.30pm. Both visits will commence with an address from Dr. P C Doherty OBE (Headmaster) and will be followed by organised tours of the School. Closing date for applications 31st Oct. 2017.

TUESDAY CLUB

Welcome back for the Autumn Term! Tea and cakes on the 12th. See you all at 2pm in the Becket Centre.

JOURNEY OF FAITH

First session will begin on 20th September. Please contact alan mair@yahoo.co.uk

WELCOME



We welcome into the community Hudson Stokes, Elliott Albert Holder, Bradley, Daniel Ian Palin who were baptised in St. Thomas' last weekend.