

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Truci Abrahams, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Sam Barter, Miss Terry Bennett, Catherine Bissmire, Sandra Bourke, Arlene Bowman, Angela Bromfield, Geoff Brown, Gerry Cook, Mary Cooney, Irene de Freitas, Conor Dempsey, Dermot Devlin, Anthony Doherty, Don Dourado, Laurie Durrant, Chris Fitzgerald, Trish Gardner, Cynthia Gregory, Betty Halliday, Doris Harriss, Joan Hayes, Pat Harold, Lisa Hettiaracachi, Annie Keenan, Jane Kirk, Rory McCreesh, Frank McDermott, Audrey McDonnell, Mary McKay, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Jutta Menzies, Dr. Douglas Murphy, Roseanne O'Connor, Dympna O'Donnell, Liam O'Sullivan, Evaritia (Linda Palmer's Mother), Matthew Piper, Lily Reding, Jean-Yves de Sainte-Croix de la Sabliere, Debbie Smythe, Madelaine Sydric, Helen Taylor, Astrid Turner, Luciana Vaughan, Andrew Vaughan & Rita Watkins.

Lately dead: Kathleen (Kitty) Mallott, Francis Quinn, Barbara Smith

Anniversaries: Juliet Woodleigh, Peter Martin, Terry Murphy, Dora Murphy, Felix McMahon, Norma McMahon & Eileen O'Connell

SAFEGUARDING

You can find contact details for our Safeguarding Officers and also Brentwood Safeguarding information on our website by going to About Us and the Safeguarding Representative.

St Thomas of Canterbury YFC

Are looking for boys & girls to join our expanding football teams. Reception to Yr11 players welcome to our friendly club. No shouting parents allowed as we strive to provide the players with a pressure free environment where they can develop their potential as players and thrive as confident young people. Training at Ashton Playing Fields every Tuesday. For more info contact Matt Tallon: chairman@stcyfc.com or 07855 170256.

Parish Annual Sponsored Walk for BCCS

This year's walk through Epping Forest for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is on Sat 23rd June. The walk is suitable for ALL ages, families are especially welcomed. These walks are a major fundraiser for BCCS, last year we raised over £3000. Please contact David Underwood on 07905 741033 for more info & for registration and sponsorship forms.

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



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Served by the Franciscans

7th Sunday of Easter
Cycle B

13th MAY 2018

Faith in Christ's resurrection is founded on the witness of the apostles. From that solid foundation our lives today give witness to God.

First Reading

Acts 1:15-17 20-26

Matthias is chosen to restore the number of apostles to twelve.

Second Reading

1 John 4:11-16

To acknowledge Jesus is to live in love.

Gospel

John 17:11-19

Our vocation today is to be true to God's name.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM
The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

Parish Office

The parish office will remain closed on a Monday until 11th June when normal service will resume.

World Communications Day today.

The Vatican Council wrote about Communication as part of Catholic concern. We know now about fake news, cyber attacks, international manipulation of elections, spin put on news, and the effect of such things as Facebook. So a day to think about how we are affected in our faith and personal lives: and pray for a healthy use of all media, and for those professionally engaged therein. We can profitably think how we are using our parish communications: web, paper, discussion, lectures, preaching

FESTIVAL MASS JUNE 10TH

Our hope is that practically the whole parish will come together for a grand mass in the Friary garden on Sunday June 10th. So: no mass in church on that day. The usual masses will be said at St James Buckhurst Hill and Chigwell. But we hope there will be a very big gathering so please make your plans to be there. A picnic follows with some entertainment at present in the planning stage. Ideas always welcome.

We shall be having a country market stall at the outdoor mass. Will anyone willing to make jam, marmalade, chutneys, pickle, cakes, bread rolls etc please contact Solange on 0208 505 5171.

We are aiming to hold a Volunteers Fair in conjunction with the Open Air Mass (10/06).

We hope to demonstrate our various ministries in the Becket Centre for 30 mins or so, after the mass, with someone available to answer questions that people may have. If you would like to promote your group please let us know asap.

Emails to liturgy@stthomaswoodford.org

NEW CHALICES

Our chalices enabling you to receive Communion in both kinds have become sadly worn. We now have four new shining chalices fitting for such a holy purpose. I thank two families who have generously paid for them. Please handle them carefully. Be careful of sharp finger nails – and rings on fingers as you care for the vessels.

GDPR Compliance

New regulations regarding data protection come into force later in May and this will affect our Parish. Various members of the Parish are working together with Brentwood on this & will be giving guidance for everyone in the weeks to come.

Parish AGM on Sunday July 15th

How have we done this past year? What do you want for the next? It is your parish and you are also responsible for it. So please do think how we can do even better, and the part you can play in achieving it. We need actively engaged Councillors.

15th WOODFORD GUIDES



Can you help? We urgently need two people to come and work with the girls and leaders on Friday night during term

time. If you can help please call Janet Morris on 07803 810666

REPOSITORY

His Holiness Pope Francis' new advice for ordinary Christians like us "Gaudete et Exsultate" - "Rejoice and be Glad", now available from the repository.

CHURCH CLEANING

Thursday 17th May, 9am:

Dorota Marcewicz, Tricia Hayden, Rosanna Baker, Leah Bettis & Luisa Sanchez

We are in real need of help with the cleaning of our church: please can you give one hour of your time on a rota once every 7 weeks. We would welcome any men who could help. If you can help on a Thursday or Friday (9am or 10.30am), or on Saturday at 10.30am please call Pat on 0208 504 4577 or email mrmcbell@btinternet.com for info.

Catholic Fellowship AGM

Will be held on Thursday May 17th at St Anne Line church hall at 7.30pm.

CAFOD

is urging us to join in stages of a walk around London over 24 days May 15 to June 23 in support of refugees and migrants. Information in porch.

DIY

The Parish fabric team need 1 or 2 new volunteers to help with simple maintenance jobs around the place. Please email fabricteam16@gmail.com with some details about your skills & experience or if you want to know more.

ASSISI LUNCH 18TH MAY

This month's lunch will be in the form of an 'Afternoon Tea' with sandwiches, cakes and scones. It is a sociable lunch so if you're stuck at home feeling a little isolated please come along at the normal time - 12.30noon

Congolese Orphanage - Garden Party

Sunday June 3rd 12.30 - 2.30pm

The Oblates of the Assumption will hold their annual Garden Party at the Convent, 20 Higham Station Ave, E4 9AZ. Hot meals will be served. All are welcome.

St Antony's Catholic Primary School

Wish to appoint 2 x Class Teachers. Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2. NQT's are welcome to apply. Please download an application www.stantonyscatholicips.co.uk/vacancies

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

The following posts are currently available:
Teacher of Media MPS/UPS Sept 2018
Teacher of Science MPS/UPS Sept 2018
Teacher of Religious Education, plus TLR MPS/UPS -

Please see school web site for more details.

PARISH CONCERT JUNE 30TH

A tribute to the Centenary of Armistice and the 80th Anniversary of Kindertransport.



The 'Lux Altona' Ensemble and Parish Choir will present Karl Jenkin's 'Mass for Peace : the

Armed Man' and many other favourites. Tickets on sale from the Parish Office. £14 - free entry for accompanied children. Are you able to sponsor the concert with donations of refreshments?

Scripture Sharing Group

Readers and any interested parishioners are welcome to attend. We will meet on Thursday 7th June at 7.30pm in the Becket Centre, for approx 1 hour. You are invited to share & reflect on the readings of the following Sunday's Liturgy. It is not a discussion group, but a means to explore and deepen our understanding of the Word of God. All are welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please remember the children making their First Holy Communion on Saturday and keep them in your prayers.