

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anna Appiah, Aichard Abangwu, Mike Angelo, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Miss Terry Bennett, Sandra Bourke, Angela Bromfield, John Browne, Antonia Buck, Claire Merrins, Nigel Dillon, Bernadette Fernandes, Irene & Carter de Freitas, Don Dourado, Antony Dover, Lenny Finney, Trish Gardner, Garrie Godkin, Cynthia Gregory, Mary Grisdale, Alice & John Gyre, Betty Halliday, Doris Harriss, Ethne Hubbard, Jane Kirk, Eileen Lea, John Leahy, Charles Long, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Clare Merrins, Angela Meyler, Patrick McGurk, Mary McKay, Jutta Menzies, David Morgan, Janet Morris, Yvonne Poulter, Lily Reding, Joan Reynolds, Jacky Rott, Dermot Shean, Debbie Smythe, Madelaine Sydic, Astrid Turner, Beryl Vaughan, Rita Watkins, Cian Wright.

Anniv: Fiona Daniels, Karen Gallagher, Annie & Solomon Racionzer.

Lately Dead Cicely Croxton, Mick Cunaghan, Teresa Daly, Ann Daly's sister, Peter Emerson, Patrick & Margaret Keenan, Phil Mooney, Michael Pearce, Pat Higgins, Jimmy Leahy, Margaret Luckie, Peter Sayers & Terry Wauer.

Mary Wauer would like to thank friends for their loving prayers on the sad loss of her husband, Terry, who died on 9th January.

May he rest in peace.

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.

CHURCH CLEANING



Friday 9am 20th January
Christine Acons, Claire
Hobbs, Julia Bever,
Maureen Insole, Jack
Edwards.

*New cleaning rotas for 2017 are available
from the church porch.
Please take a copy.*

TENNIS/SPORTS CAMP



February half-term 13th—
17th Feb 10am—3pm daily at
Woodford County High
School, Woodford Green.
Age 4-11years. £100 for the
week or £25 per day. Tennis rackets and
equipment provided. Bring your child in
sportswear with a packed lunch. To book
or if you need further information email
tashaxargent@hotmail.com or
0794022966.

CAN YOU HELP?

Needed—help to drop off 3 children
(Years 6,3 and Reception) from St.
Antonys School to High Road, Buckhurst
Hill on Mondays and Thursdays after
school. Happy to pay. If you can help or
know anyone, please call Stu on
07968119783

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

St Thomas of Canterbury

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**2ND SUNDAY IN PEACE DAY
ORDINARY TIME CYCLE A**

15TH JANUARY 2017



At his baptism, Jesus was proclaimed
God's beloved Son and anointed with the
Holy Spirit. We who are baptised into life
with Jesus are also called to serve as
God's instruments in the world, co-
creators with Jesus in bringing about
God's kingdom.

First Reading (Isaiah 49:3 5-6)

Gods servant is called to bring all people to God, to be "the light of all nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth".

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 1:1-3)

Paul prays that the people of Corinth will experience the grace and peace of Christ, and be called into communion with one another and with Christ.

Gospel (John 1:29-34)

John the Baptist saw the Spirit of God come down upon Jesus in the form of a dove and identifies Jesus as "the Chosen One of God" and "the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world".

**There will be a Diocesan collection for Peace Sunday after all
Masses this weekend.**

FR. IGNATIUS R.I.P.

Fr Ignatius died last Sunday, having enjoyed almost ten months of wonderful care from our Franciscan sisters in their nursing home in Littlehampton. Raymond had previously cared with great love and dedication till his need grew beyond Raymond's and our domestic capability here. It was the end of a remarkable life. Ignatius began his priesthood studies here in Woodford in 1946. Soon he moved on to Rome for studies both before and after ordination. He gained a Doctorate in Theology, writing his dissertation on sacramental theology. Rome is not noted for forward thinking but he read extensively and so was thoroughly in tune with up-to-date thinking when Vatican II arrived. He taught and trained generations of students of our English Province in the days of plenty. More: he dragged us all into the modern understanding of what we are and should be both as Franciscans and pastoral priests. A gentle and humble man, he had wide pastoral influence with religious and lay people. He also served on international commissions in Rome. His task is not finished. Pope Francis continues to urge us to leave behind old sterile understandings of our faith and practice. We can best honour Ignatius by engaging in this year's parish programme of searching to know better what God is doing to us in our homes and families, and what he wants of us.

Fr. Ignatius' Vigil Service and Reception into St. Thomas' will be this evening, Sunday, 15th January at 6pm. Monday, 16th January at 12Noon. Requiem Mass followed by burial at 2pm at Patrick's Cemetery, Leytonstone.

May he rest in peace

FRANCISCAN VOCATION TALKS

Wednesday, 25th Jan. 3—4.30pm
Thurs 11am—12.30pm and 3—4.30pm
Friday 27th 11am—12.30pm at St Thomas of Canterbury.

For single Catholic men 18-43years of age interested in the Franciscan life .
If interested in attending these talks and are seriously considering a Religious Vocation then contact by 22nd January Br. Donal OFM (Vocation Director)
Email only brdonalofm@yahoo.co.uk.

ACROSS JUMBULANCE QUIZ Sat. 21st January 2017

Chingford Parish Church Hall 7.30pm for 8pm. Entry £5. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. 7 tables 8—10. Small groups can join up. To reserve tables ring Sheila on 020 8504 3839.

WELCOME

We welcome into the parish community Ella Johnson who was baptised in St. Thomas' last weekend.

BAPTISMS

If you need to attend a baptism course for your first child, please contact the parish office for details.
Baptisms take place on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

LOST PROPERTY



In the foyer of Becket Centre there are some children's coats. All unclaimed lost property will be donated to a charity shop on 31st January.

PARISH NEWS



Our Communications group are publishing a quarterly newsletter to keep us updated with events and parish news. It will be sent out by email, with a few copies printed for those not having email access. If you would like to be among the first to receive it and keep up to date with what is going on in the parish, please send a mail to parishnews@friar.org or scan in the QR code.

The next Assisi Lunch will be on 27th January 2017.

ST. ANTONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSERY APPLICATIONS

Children whose date of birth is between 1.9.2013 and 31.8.2014 can now apply for the school year 2016/17. Those children born between 1.9.2014 and 31.12.2014 may also apply to start in January 2018 if there are vacancies. Application forms are available on the school website www.stantonyscatholicps.co.uk. Please note, any enquiries will only be dealt with in the afternoons after 1.30pm. Closing date for receipt of forms is Midday on Monday, 27th March 2017.

We will be holding drop in sessions for any parents/carers wanting to look around our Nursery on Friday 3.2.2017 (10am—11am & 2—3pm) & Monday 4.2.2017 (10am—11am & 2-3PM)

SACRISTAN ROTA

Sacristan Rotas for 8.30am 10.00am and 11.30 Masses are available from the church porch. Please take your copy.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA ST ANTONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

The consultation for our Admissions Criteria for 2018/2019 is now available on our school website on the Admission page. www.stantonyscatholicdps.co.uk. If you wish to comment please send your responses by emailing admin.st-antonys@redbridge.gov.uk or posting it to the school address.

Deadline for all responses is
27th January 2017.

SCRIPTURE SHARING GROUP



Next meeting 19th January in the Francis Room 7.30pm. All are very welcome to study and share the Word of God.

CRY SCREENING

The first Screening weekend has started at St. Antonys this weekend. If you are interested please come between 9am and 3.30pm and grab a hot drink and supplied information regarding CRY and what they do. We have another screening weekend booked for June. Information will be coming shortly. Thank you for all your support in getting this to finally happen.

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you are new to the parish or have moved within the parish, please contact the parish office so that we can keep our records up to date.

KEEP FIT

Monday at 8pm in the Becket Centre. All welcome.

IRISH DANCING

Is held in the Becket Centre every Monday. Any interested boys and girls should just turn up and at either 4.30pm or 5.30pm (whichever time is more convenient). Further4 information can be had from Pauline Shaw ADCRG 07846603259.