

PRAY FOR THE SICK



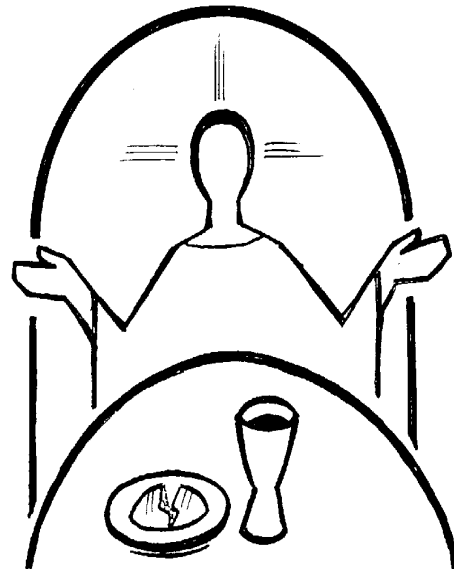
Lately dead: Lillian Lowe and Jean Neale & Mick Mulcahy (retired WX Nurses)

Anniversaries: Mary & Timothy Harrington, Catherine & Harry Gibson, Pat Keenan, Joseph Littlehill, John Huttonhill, Ruby Hall, Nellie Martin, Jane Nolan, Annabelle Hill, Joan Walsh, Felix Fox, Laurence Nelson, William Titmarsh, Anne Luggeri, Isabel Dunleavy, Teresa Thambynayaga, Margaret Griffin and Grace Kenny

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

Applications forms are now available from the back of church. If your child is in Year 3 in September 2018, please take one and return it to the parish office. Closing date for applications is **7th September**.

Applications received after this date will not be accepted.



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



ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY
Woodford Green

A FAIRTRADE PARISH

Parish Office: 020 8504 1686

Friary: 020 8504 1688

Email: parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org



Website: www.stthomaswoodford.org

Facebook: @STOCWoodford

Twitter: @STOCWoodford



Served by the Franciscans

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cycle B

19th August 2018

In today's liturgy we are reminded that the gift we receive in the Eucharist is the nourishment we need to go out and be Christ for others in a world that hungers for justice.

First Reading

Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom teaches us that eating the bread and wine that God gives us will bring us everlasting life.

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:15-20

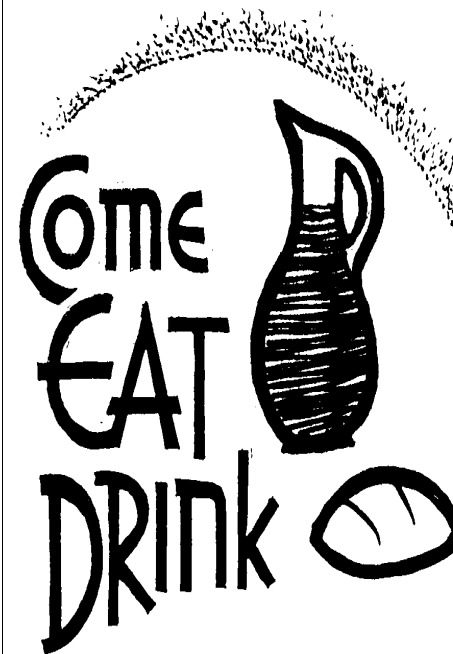
St Paul reminds us that we need to be careful about how we live our life. There are many things that could lead us away from God so we are urged to live by the Spirit and deepen our relationship with God through prayer and thanksgiving.

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Jesus invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood so that we may have

everlasting life.



Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Little Sisters appeal

We welcome the Little Sisters of the Poor who come today to tell us of their work and ask for our help. Care of the elderly is increasingly a concern for us all. We are much indebted to these sisters who still bring a special element of caring to the service they provide. I am impressed by the amount of gentle neighbourly caring that our housebound members receive day in and day out in our parish. But when the need becomes greater, and it is no longer possible for them to cope at home, then it is good to know the sisters are there caring for body and soul.

Franciscan Missions

You contribute generously to the work of the friars in foreign countries, particularly those you have known while they were here at home. Next Sunday Fr Peter Williams will talk at the Masses about his work in Toga, about the direction the church is taking there and elsewhere in Africa. He is a seasoned missionary in several African countries, a contemporary of Patrick and Michel Copps. It is a good time to bring in the collection boxes you have kindly taken home. And there will be a liberal supply of empty boxes to replace them!

Journey of Faith

The next stage of this journey in our parish will begin in September. So we are looking for anyone who is interested in exploring our catholic way of life to let us know. The course is for those who till now have followed other faiths or none, other Christian bodies, but also for many who have been baptised but feel they have received little instruction in the beliefs and values that underpin our practice. It is an exhilarating experience. Come and try it, not knowing whither it will lead you.

Parish office—August Closure

The Office will be closed on the following days:

- 21st August
- 22nd August

Mass Online – the times

The next masses that we intend to record are:

SATURDAY 18th, 25th AUGUST 6pm

SUNDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 8.30 AM

In order to view these masses please visit our parish website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org>

Then look for the icon labelled **Mass Online**. Click on this and then click on the link to **You Tube**. You can now either watch the mass live or log in later during the week to see the recording.

(NB – The mass is only available via our website link. As it is not ‘Public’ you cannot search for it or find it on You Tube)

We are aware that the quality of the recordings is not as good as we would like it to be. So we are currently investigating further options.

Electronic Newsletter

We now have in excess of 300 subscribers to the parish newsletter by email.

If you would like to join this growing number please sign up on our parish website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org> or by sending mail to parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org

If you have already signed up but for some reason have failed to receive it please send a mail to parishnews@stthomaswoodford.org so that we can investigate the problem.

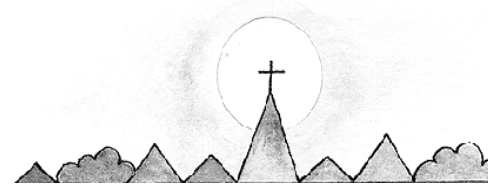
24 Hour Adoration

There will be 24 hour adoration of the Blessed Sacrament commencing with Evening Prayer at 6pm on Friday 28th September and concluding with Mass at 6pm on Saturday 29th September. Further details will be announced in the newsletter, on our parish website and on social media. Please consider if you or a group to which you belong could spend one hour in adoration during this time.

Sick, housebound living in care homes

A Mass for the Sick, Housebound and those living in Care Homes (with anointing of the sick) will be held at St. Thomas’s on **Sunday 30th September 2018 at 3pm** followed by refreshments in the Becket Centre.

If you require transport please contact the parish office



Cinema Night

St Thomas of Canterbury Family outdoor cinema night **Friday 21st September**. Paddington Bear in the friary gardens. Tickets on sale in September.

Church Cleaning

THURSDAY 23rd August at 9.00am
Agnieska Tsang, Dorota Marcewicz, Tricia Hayden, Leah Betts & Maureen Chubb

Trinity School—Vacancies

- Teacher of Maths, Mat Cover, Closing date 31st August 2018
- Teacher of Home Economics, Permanent, Closing date 16th September 2018
- Teacher of Psychology and Sociology, Plus TLR, Temporary, Closing date 16th September 2018
- HoD Home Economics, Plus TLR, Mat Cover, Closing date 30th September 2018
- HoD of Psychology and Sociology, Plus TLR, Mat Cover, Closing date 30th September 2018
- Teacher of Religious Studies, Mat Cover, Closing date 30th September 2018

Candidates can download details of the role from the schools website <http://fc.tchs.uk.net/vacancies.shtml> and email applications to recruitment@fc.tchs.uk.net