

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pat Donald wishes to express her grateful thanks for all those kind people who were concerned and prayed for her when she was recently ill in hospital.

A Mass is being offered for all their intentions

Anniversaries:

Leonard Archer, Frederick Talbot, Mary Todd, John Burgess, Marie Pillay, Bernadine Deberry, Hannah Hayday, James McDonnell, Patricia Coffey, Thomas Crusz, Derek Pyner.

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

Certificates of Practice

Please note that Fr Quentin will be available to sign certificates of practice for school applications on

October 7th 3-4pm,

October 8th 7-8pm

October 15th 3-4pm.

BEAVERS

Should you wish your child to join Beavers, you need to ensure that you have put their name on the waiting list. Beavers start at 6 years old and then move on to Cubs when they are 8. They meet on a Monday night for 1 hour from 6.15pm at the Scout hut alongside the Becket Centre. An application form can be obtained by emailing the beaver leader paulineelkin616@gmail.com

Trinity Open Evening

An Open Evening for prospective entrants to Trinity Catholic High School will be held on Wednesday 25th September 2019. The School will provide two opportunities for parents to visit at 4pm and 5.30pm. Both visits will commence with an address from Dr P C Doherty OBE and will be followed by organised tours of the School. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2019.



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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C) 22nd September 2019

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

The parables of the Gospels, especially Luke, are often parables of entrustment, but God has entrusted to us not just the good things of this world, but Christ his Son, through whom we are to redeem the world.

First Reading Amos 8:4-7

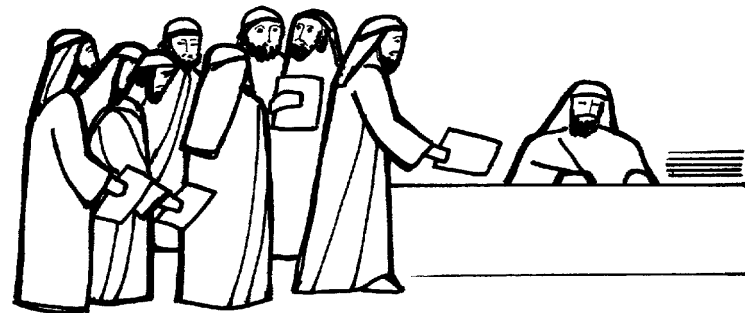
Liturgy is not something to get over with. It is the point of living.

Second Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Our opinion about leaders is worth so much less than our prayers for them.

Gospel Luke 16:1-13

The unjust steward is driven by his own self-interest, but this does not fool his master.



Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Newsletter

To receive the newsletter by email please sign up on our parish website www.stthomaswoodford.org or mail communications@stthomaswoodford.org

Alert to all Ushers

The autumn count of attendance at weekend masses has to be taken today and on the next 3 Sundays. Please take special care to record the number present at each of the masses at St Thomas and also at St James Buckhurst Hill and Chigwell Convent. These should be sent to the Parish Office.

Saturday School 10—11am

Saturday school has recommenced for Primary School children. We believe this may be helpful to children who do not attend a Catholic school.

CRASH course

At Our Lady of Lourdes Wanstead. An 8 week course for 16-25 year olds. Searching the church's teaching on morality of sex and kindred subjects. Starts 10 October 7.30 to 9 pm

Thursday October 3rd

Two important events that evening. At 7pm we will perform the traditional re-enactment of the happenings of the evening when St Francis died in 1226. That done you are all invited to modest refreshments in The Becket. For at 8pm....

Fr Dominic Howarth has agreed to come and help us with our project to provide good activities for our young people. Fr Dominic is the director of Abbotswick Youth Centre. The Centre hums with energy and brilliant ideas and youthful enthusiasm. Our three parishes building a partnership already have some preliminary ideas of what we can do with our combined resources. We anticipate there will be a good attendance from St Anne Line and Our Lady of Lourdes Wanstead. So please do come to listen and bring your own wishes and ideas.

Parish Activities

- **Monday 23rd September 7.45pm**
Keep Fit
- **Tuesday 24th September 2pm**
Tuesday Club
St Anthony's "Inspire" Choir
- **Tuesday 24th September**
7.30pm Fellowship of churches
- **Tuesday 24th September 6.30pm**
Christmas Fayre planning
All welcome. William Scott Room
- **Wednesday 25th September 8pm**
Baptism Course,
William Scott Room
- **Wednesday 25th September 7pm**
Journey of Faith in Assisi Room
- **Wednesday 25th September 7pm**
SOUP RUN
- **Friday 27th September**
Assisi Lunch in the Becket Centre
- **Saturday 28th September 10 am**
Holy Communion preparation
Group A
- **Saturday 28th September 10am**
Classes for children attending non Catholic Schools in Assisi Room
- **Sunday 29th September 3pm**
Mass for the sick & housebound followed by refreshments in the Becket Centre
Contact the parish office if you need assistance getting to the church

Mass On-line

6pm Saturday 28th September

Forthcoming Events

October Assisi Lunch—change of date
Now to be held on 18th October

23rd November **Christmas Fayre**

Don't forget to join in a Macmillan fundraising event at work, home or in the local community

Lost Property

Items which have been handed into the Parish office will be placed in the Porch this weekend. There are bags, shoes, books, glasses etc. Any unclaimed items will then be disposed of.

Parish annual sponsored walk

A very huge thank you to parishioners for supporting our annual walk for Brentwood Catholic Childrens' Society on 22 June. With 95% of sponsorships now collected we have raised over £4.6k incl gift aid. This is the best result in the 10 years we have been walking for bccs. If you have still to make your sponsorship return please see David Underwood after mass or drop it in to the parish office in an envelope marked "bccs Sponsored Walk 2019".

24- Hour Adoration

It is good to see that several have signed up to spend time with Our Lord during the 24-hour adoration planned for **Friday and Saturday 10th to 11th October**. You have seen the various sheets provided at all our mass centres. Please give a thought to our need for prayer at this uncertain time. Plan to come for a space when you are less rushed. The small hours of the morning are wonderful. That is why contemplatives have the midnight office

Catholic Fellowship

This organization helps families who have children with special learning needs. They will celebrate Mass in St Thomas on **Sunday 13^h October at 3.30**. Note well: Information has been circulated that the mass is the previous week. Not so. It will be on 13th October.

Church Cleaning Friday 26th September at 9am

Liz Atkinson and Josie Kieron

Sunday Teas

Volunteers are sought to assist on a rota basis with the after mass teas on a Sunday morning. Please contact Sheila on 020 85804 3839.

Music at 10am Sunday Mass

The Music Group would like to invite anyone with musical skills whether singing or playing an instrument, to join the group. A new pianist would be especially welcome. Please see Chantelle after Mass or telephone Pat on 8504 2017 to discuss further.

Trinity Vacancies

- **Science Technician**
- **Teacher in Charge of Spanish with TLR**

Please review the school website fc.tchs.uk.net for more details.

Launch of the Parish Fund-raising campaign

On Monday 14th October you are all cordially invited to a social in the Becket. It is well-known that when a parish has to raise money the need generates much good social engagement. So that will be the main topic of the evening. We will tell where we are in our process of renewing our ageing buildings and some future planning. And we hope you will come brimming with ideas of how we will start paying the bills. This is a major event for St Thomas. Do keep the evening free.