

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Lately dead:

- ◇ Thomas King
- ◇ Brian Correya

May they rest in peace

Anniversaries:

Mavis Bruce, Denis L'Estrange, Percy Wartnaby, Julian Famiglietti, Terence McGraph, Anthony O'Brien, Fr Urban Judge, OFM, Patricia Western, Leonard Albrecht, Elizabeth Halliday, Horace Coppendale, Bridget Flynn, Marie Samaraweera, Karen Spencer, Angela Reis, Alexandra Weatherley,

Parish Council

The PPC will next meet on **10th June**

Parish AGM

This will take place in the Henrietta Suite after the 11:30 mass on Sunday **14th July**. Please come and hear what has happened and what is planned, and review the parish accounts.

We need more **volunteers to join** the PPC, and will have a short meeting to explain what is involved for prospective members in the Assisi room upstairs after the 11:30 mass on Sunday 23rd June. If you might be interested, please come.

The closing date for any formal motions to be put to the AGM is 23rd June. These should be sent to the parish

SUNDAY MASSES

1st Mass: 6pm Saturday;
8.30am; 10am & 11.30am Sunday
(The 11.30am Mass is recorded)



Join us for tea/coffee after
Sunday Mass in the Becket
Centre

WEEKDAY MASSES

10am St Thomas'
9.30am Chigwell Convent except on
Saturday's when mass takes place at
10am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30 to 11am
and
5.15 to 5.45 pm

BAPTISMS

1st and 3rd Sundays
of the month

Accommodation Sought

My name is Shinyamol Gilbert, I am a registered nurse working in Buckhurst hill, and I am looking for an accommodation in the nearby area. Preferably a room with a decent family, or single accommodation with reasonable rent is fine with me.
Shinyamol 07818994022

Retiring Collection

There will be a Diocese retiring
collection next weekend for sick clergy
in the Diocese



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The Most Holy Trinity Sunday (B) 26th May 2024

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

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, often described as Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. They teach us about love, gratitude and hope.



First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40
God rules in heaven and on Earth.

Second Reading

Romans 8:14-17
The Spirit of God inspires us to be enthusiastic witnesses to God's presence in our lives and in the world.

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20
On a mountain in Galilee, Jesus calls on his followers to make disciples of, and baptise, all nations in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. He promises to be with them to the end of time.

Responsorial Psalm

Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Today, the liturgy celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity almost to underline that in the light of the Pascal Mystery is fully revealed the centre of the universe and of history: God himself, eternal and infinite Love. The word that summarizes all revelation is this: "God is love" and love is always a mystery, a reality that surpasses reason without contradicting it, and more than that, exalts its possibilities.

Jesus revealed to us the mystery of God: he, the Son, made us know the Father who is in Heaven, and gave us the Holy Spirit, the Love of the Father and of the Son. Christian theology synthesizes the truth of God with this expression: only one substance in three persons. God is not solitude, but perfect communion. For this reason, the human person, the image of God, realizes himself or herself in love, which is a sincere gift of self.

We are contemplating the mystery of the love of God shared in a sublime way in the Most Holy Eucharist, the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, the representation of his redeeming Sacrifice.

In particular, each parish is called to rediscover the beauty of Sunday, the Lord's Day, in which the disciples of Christ renew, in the Eucharist, communion with the One who gives meaning to the joys and hardships of each day.

"Without Sunday we cannot live": thus professed the first Christians, even at the cost of their lives, and this is what we are called to repeat today.

To Mary I would like also to entrust all children, adolescents and youth who are in this period of time making their first Communion or receiving the sacrament of Confirmation.

Sunday 9th June

Mass in the garden at 11.30am

This has now become one of the most enjoyable gatherings of our year – or at least of our summer. All those who normally attend one of the morning masses and many others, will gather in the garden at 11.30. First there will be Mass. And then a picnic. Please bring your own and then maybe we will share a little. And do pray for sunshine. Music and dancing is on the agenda for the afternoon. There will also be a Blessing of your Pets. More details to follow in due course.

Thank you—Bingo

Thank you to all who attended the Parish Social with Bingo on Saturday Evening. I think everyone enjoyed it. I had a few donations for the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society amounting to £135 which I will forward on to them. We will be back with another night sometime in the future

The church and school summer fete is on

Saturday 6th July from 12-4pm

Both the church and the school would really appreciate if you could have a temporary advertising board erected outside your house, for the coming weeks.

Not only will this spread the word on this annual event, but William Rose Estate Agents will kindly donate money for each board - with all monies raised being divided equally between church and school.

If you would be happy to do this please email - friendsofstantonys@gmail.com or message Carmel on 07876 472640 as soon as possible for any further details.



Mass Intentions

Sunday 26th May

8.30 Frank Fitzpatrick RIP
wedding anniversary
10 Patricia Revell anniversary
11.30 Fr Austin RIP

Monday 27th May

Diana Lidstone RIP
Molly Martin RIP

Tuesday 28th May

Paul Lambrianos RIP
Dora Murphy anniversary

Wednesday 29th May

11am Funeral Fr Austin McCormack

No other masses today

Thursday 30th May

Karen Spencer RIP
Michelle Samaraweera

Friday 31st May

John Fitzpatrick 90th Birthday
Angelo Carneiro RIP

Saturday 1st June

10 Molly Martin RIP
6 Christopher Wright anniversary

Sunday 2nd June

8.30 Charles Chapman RIP
10 Sean Cox sick
11.30 Emily Dempsey RIP

Confirmation Congratulations

Special congratulations to the 48 young people who were confirmed by the Bishop last week



Church Cleaning
Saturday 1st June at 10.30am
Rosie O'Connor & Charmaine Turrell

Mass of thanksgiving for Marriage AND Family Life

Bishop Alan will be celebrating the annual mass of thanksgiving in the Cathedral at 3pm on **Saturday 13th July followed by a reception** in the hall. If you would like to attend please contact the parish office as attendance is by invitation only.

Charity Event

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is pleased to host their first Charity Tribute Night featuring ABBA Chique at the Mill Hall Arts & Events Centre in Rayleigh on **Friday 12th July** from 7.30 to 11pm. Tickets cost £20 plus a small booking fee and can be purchased via Eventbrite www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/abba-tribute-night-tickets-849314000037 If you have any questions about the event, please email Julie jabbott@bccs.org.uk.

Gift Aid annual statement 2023/2024

The annual statements have been sent to parishioners by email. If you require Gift Aid Statement and have not received one, please email parishoffice@stthomaswoodford.org. Please include your full name and address in the email.

Refreshments after 10am mass, Friday 31st May

St Thomas parish was certified 15 years ago as a Fairtrade parish by CAFOD and the Fairtrade Foundation agreeing to use and promote Fairtrade products. Come and join us in the William Scott room for a friendly chat and to celebrate 30 years of the Fairtrade mark in the UK