

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

### Anniversaries:

Nena Morris, Dennis Robinson, Oona Douglas, Agnes Sandy, Christina Morris, John Joseph, Joan Morgan, Dissanayake Chandradasa, Jenie Kenny, Sister Josepha Loughman, Patricia Pieroni, Carl De Run, Nora Eustace, Kenny Yip Kingman, Raymond Wood, Patrick Gallagher, Astrid Turner, John Baker, Mrs Hilton, Philomena Archer, Maria Ferrari, Mary Tobin, Anthony Rae.

### Ukraine Family

The Friars will be providing refuge for a family from the Ukraine in a self contained flat within the friary. The family of 7 are due to arrive in the next few weeks and as a team of parishioners we have made a list of goods to make the flat more functional for a family and homely. This is available as an Amazon wish list which can be scanned from the following qr code using a mobile phone if you would like to contribute. Gifts purchased will be sent directly to the parish office. Alternatively please email [gemmabourdillon3@hotmail.com](mailto:gemmabourdillon3@hotmail.com) and the link can be emailed to you. Thank you



**Mass Timetable**  
All services at St Thomas of Canterbury are live streamed

### 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

10am Chigwell Convent

### WEEKDAY MASSES

10am St Thomas'  
9.30am Chigwell Convent

### CONFESSIONS

After 10am Mass on Saturdays

### BAPTISMS

1st and 3rd Sundays  
of the month

### Baptism Course

The next Baptism Course for first time parents will take place on 14 & 21 September. Applications forms are available from the Parish Office

### Retiring Collection

There will be a retiring collection this weekend for sick clergy



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## The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ ( C ) 19th June 2022

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

We hear in the Gospel reading today how Jesus fed the crowds: he took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them. These are the same actions that are at the heart of every Mass. So Jesus feeds us today with his body and blood.

### First Reading

Genesis 14:18-20  
Melchizedek, as priest of God Most High, brings bread and wine and pronounces God's blessing.

### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
St Paul tells the Corinthians how Jesus gave his disciples bread and wine as a memorial of himself.

### Gospel

Luke 9:11-17  
Jesus blesses and breaks bread, and hands it to his disciples to distribute among the crowds.

### Responsorial Psalm

You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.



## Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

Most of us are more accustomed to the old Corpus Christi, a bit of Latin that everybody understands. The feast comes suitably as the culmination of this year's programme. Over 100 children have now begun – we hope – a lifelong practice of receiving Jesus in this sacrament every week. Only two or three stragglers still remain. I thank you parents who have worked with your children at home and inspired them by your example. I thank particularly all the helpers at the preparation meetings and the huge organisation from the Parish Office. But we would be nowhere without Nicky and Teresa who have provided the teaching skills, the tuition, WhatsApp links and jolly cartoon-style help to make learning a joy. Thanks to all of you.

### What happens at Mass?

When your child is an infant you do everything for him/her. As they grow older you gradually involve them in all the chores and delights that make the workings of a vibrant family. God does that each Sunday. "Come to my party" he says "all of you my children". I want to give you Jesus. But don't sit there and expect it all to happen without you putting in some effort. I need readers, servers, ushers, welcomers, musicians and singers to make Jesus. You are a grand orchestra at each mass. The priest just coordinates. The words are not magic. Jesus is there through the combined effort and contributions of all. A much better idea than you just being dumb spectators. Will you help? We are rebuilding.

## The Garden Mass

We thank God very heartily that once again this year he gave us a lovely day for our mass-on-the-grass. You came in great number. The technicians provided great equipment for you to hear well both words and song. The music group excelled in the mass and later entertainment for the picnic. Well done and let's do it again.

### Joint Summer Fete with St Antony's will now take place on 16th July 12—4pm

Parish and school come together to make the Summer Fete. Now delayed a little till July 16<sup>th</sup>. We need lots of help morning and late afternoon on the day. But come and join in the organising too. It is much more fun than just coming to look. We can do with some "spot prizes". More information soon.

### Annual Parish Meeting 17th July following 11.30am Mass

The Annual meeting of our Parish will now take place after 11.30am Mass on Sunday 17th July 2022.

The majority of the current members are standing for re-election. There is also a couple of vacant positions to be filled. If you are interested please fill in the form which can be found in the Porch or on our website. The closing date is 26th June 2022. If you would like more information please contact the Parish Office in the first instance. We look forward to seeing you at this important Parish event.

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 19th June

8.30 Olga Machado  
10 John Gregory Smith-Pryor RIP  
11.30 Paddy Callanan anniversary

### Monday 20th June

Margaret Potter RIP  
Elizabeth Blanchfield anniversary

### Tuesday 21st June

Idris Picton RIP  
Emily Rothary RIP

### Wednesday 22nd June

Michelle Samaraweera anniversary  
Chevonne Lobo anniversary

### Thursday 23rd June

Rose Sheehan RIP

### Friday 24th June

CWL

### Saturday 25th June

Tom Czerny RIP

### Sunday 26th June

8.30 Stephen Hopkins ill  
11.30 Lawrence & James Dillon

### We have a problem for the next couple of weeks

I am tired and need a week off. But two of the friar-priests you see regularly are sick and unable to lead the mass and we do not know when they will be well enough to resume duties... So with reluctance we have to cancel some masses.

**On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> There will be no mass in St Thomas at 10 am. Instead, if you wish you may join in a mass at 8am in the Blessed Sacrament chapel.** Our brothers in Stratford are going to help with the Masses at Chigwell. Sunday masses will be as usual – and most weekday ones too.

**Church Cleaning**  
**Thursday 23rd June at 9am**  
Jackie John, Maria-Clare Fawcett & Mary Charter

### Volunteers Your Church needs you

We have a large number of servers albs that are too big for the growing list of new servers. We need someone with a needle or sewing machine cut them down to size. Can you help? That will be a great contribution to get our masses back to full splendour. Many are also asking: When does the children's liturgy at Sunday mass start again? The answer: When we have helpers to take care of the children. It needs to be done on a rota system so that no one is unduly burdened. **Please collect a leaflet when you leave church today to see how you can help.**

### Plant Watering

The pots outside the church need to be watered and cared for on a regular basis. Please consider offering a little of your time to make the front of the church beautiful. If you would like to join the rota please contact the parish office.

### Davenant School

We are seeking to recruit up to five Governors. For further information and role descriptions please contact [joanne.mccallig@davenant.org](mailto:joanne.mccallig@davenant.org)

### CAFOD

says a huge thank you for all your support, prayers, and donations for the people of Ukraine. Catholics in England and Wales have donated over £3 million. Please keep the people of Ukraine and all our brothers and sisters who face daily suffering, in your prayers.