

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Lately dead:

- ◇ Jacqueline Da'Prato (Dodd)
- ◇ Sean Connolly
- ◇ James Hopkins

May they rest in peace

Anniversaries:

Eileen Bell, Jacob Black, Margaret Clarke, Susan Faulkner, Robert Heath, Conrad Roudette, Jacob Sullivan, Charles Vychodil, Terence O'Brian, Margaret Arthur, Gerald Cobb, Marlene Cooper, Eileen Morrill, Frances (Fran) Piller, Victor Van Boolean, Rosa Black, Victor Charter, Fiona Daniels, Adolf Dourado, Peter Hinton, Michael Sullivan, Martha Tracey.

Thank you

I wish to express my gratitude to the many people who have sent Mass cards and cards of sympathy on the death of Jutta. Owing to there being no post for the past three weeks, many cards only arrived on the 7th January. It is impossible to acknowledge them all individually but be assured of my heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

Leon Menzies Racionzer

New mass times

Mass will be streamed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 am; on Saturday and Sunday at 10 am. These masses will be streamed from a cold church – which may tend to shorten the homilies. The early start on weekdays is to accommodate the engineers. But each mass will also be recorded so that you can participate at your time of choice.

Changes to take effect from 18th January

Monday 8am Live streamed/recorded

Wednesday 8am Live streamed / recorded

Friday 8am Live streamed /recorded

Saturday 10am Live streamed/recorded

Sunday 10am Live streamed/recorded

**Prayer of spiritual
communion**
(St Alphonsus Liguori)



My Jesus,
I believe that You are
present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to
receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you
sacramentally, come at least spiritually into
my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already
there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from
You.

Amen



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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 17th January 2021

In today's Gospel, Jesus invites Andrew and his companion to come to his home and spend time with him. We gather today also in response to his invitation to be with him and to deepen our relationship with him.

First Reading 1 Samuel 3:3-10. 19

Samuel hears the call of God and responds: "Your servant is listening."

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20

Use your body for the glory of God, for it is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

Gospel John 1:35-42

Jesus invites two budding disciples to come and spend time with him.

Responsorial Psalm

**Here I am Lord!
I come to do your will**



Heating replacement

The work has actually started. On Monday last engineers appeared on the scene and began the preliminary works. The project is to replace totally the central heating and all domestic and other water supplies for the Church, Becket Centre and Friary. The estimated duration is something in the region of 20 weeks.

The first stage to be addressed is the church and Blessed Sacrament Chapel. This week they will begin stripping out the old piping. So the church will be without any heat for several weeks. Further detail will gradually become clear. In the interest of completing the work as soon as possible we will give the engineers total access to the church through the working week. So no services during normal working hours. The only exception will be for funerals, which will still be conducted within the necessary covid restrictions.

We will provide regular updates about the project and for Becket Centre Users we will let you know what restrictions will apply once the work moves to that area.

Brother Malachy

Thank you for your messages of sympathy on his death and for your prayers and masses. In recent years his health declined and he kept more to his room. Previously though his interest and cheery smile made him a popular figure in church and around. His funeral on Wednesday was inevitably very low-key and we regret that you could not come as you wished to say goodbye in traditional manner.

Covid19

We have all been alarmed at the sharp rise in the spread of the disease. From several quarters we are being urged simply to stay at home. It is in our own interest as well as being our duty to others that we take every possible precaution to avoid adding to the spread. So our Health and Safety committee has decided that we will stop all opportunities for access to mass and the church. We have been very well served by many stewards who have led you through the details of careful entry, movement around the church and leaving. Then they have spent time cleaning all surfaces where virus could possibly be lurking. They really deserve our very warm appreciation. So also the readers and ministers of communion. Thanks to all these you have been well protected till now. Evidently in general we just need to stay at home. Hence our decision to close the church for visits. The only exception is for funerals.

Church Unity

This is the annual week of prayer for the unity of all churches. The customary events in which we come together to pray in friendship obviously cannot happen. But we can think of our need to do better in sharing and appreciating all the varieties of prayer and practice of the different Christian churches and bodies. Each morning this week there will be a zoomed act of worship. Zoom Meeting at 7am <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89224415457?pwd=SG81TipGTkQvcFNzUmg0ZjFCZ3N1UT09>. Meeting ID: 892 2441 5457 Passcode: 645029

There will also be a virtual service on January 24th at 6pm. Anyone who wishes to join in the service should contact sheelagh.a.hunter@outlook.com

Mass Intentions

Sunday 17th January

People of parish
Jutta Menzies RIP
Sylvia Ross RIP

Monday 18th January

Margaret Richards RIP
Eileen Christie RIP
Bro Malachy RIP

Tuesday 19th January

Carroll family intentions
Sr Mary Mangan

Funeral Edmund Jarman RIP 11am

Wednesday 20th January

Jacqueline Da Prato RIP
Veronica McCarthy RIP

Thursday 21st January

Luke Falon ill
Trinity intentions

Funeral Michael Carrig 11.30am

Friday 22nd January

Dave Scoggins ill
Mr & Mrs Ross
Sarah Laffey RIP

Saturday 23rd January

Jutta Menzies RIP
John Potter RIP

Sunday 24th January

People of parish
Michael Carrig RIP
Sarah Hughes RIP

Confirmation Enrollment Mass Live Streamed on Thursday 21st January

Don't forget confirmation candidates & Parents to join Fr Michael and the Catechists for the Enrollment Mass at 7.30pm.
Log on via our website <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org/watch-mass-live>

Preparation for Holy Communion

The main leaders of this programme are front-line workers and very pressured by the demands the pandemic is putting on them. So we need a little more time before we send you the help promised for the current stage of preparation as you start in Chapter 2. But it will come very soon and you will find it good and helpful

Trinity Vacancies

- P/T Teacher of History
- P/T Teacher of Art

Please visit the School website for more information.

St Mary's Chingford Vacancy

Are seeking to recruit a Deputy Head teacher. Please visit the school website for more information

Lost property

We have some glasses in the lost property box. If they belong to you, please get contact the parish office. Other items include a Pope John Sunday Missal (red) looking for its owner whose name is Eileen.

