

## **REFUGEE CRISIS TELCO**

### ***Will you join us in Parliament Square?***

324 parishioners signed the petition last December calling Redbridge Council to receive 50 refugees. We are calling to you all to support the campaign again by attending on Tues. 13th Oct. at 6.30pm the call to action of a 1,000 citizens asking the Prime Minister to resettle 1,000 refugees before Christmas. People in the UK are ready to welcome them, this action is important to help people come in. Since Feb. 2014 just 216 Syrian refugees have been resettled to the UK, less than 11 refugees a month. During the action, we will remember the lives of the 6 Syrian children who died because of the cold last winter by carrying candles, dressing up in our warmest winter wear and placing wreaths around Parliament. If you want to attend, please send an email to munizsoledad@yahoo.es.

## **REPOSITORY**

It is hoped that from now on the Repository will be open after every Mass each weekend. Please look in and see what we have to offer—for example, a good supply of baptismal candles—and let us know anything you think we ought to stock.

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The Sisters at Chigwell Convent are linking with a Kent-based Charity, Seeking Sanctuary to provide needed items for refugees stranded in the camps at Calais. The items will be taken to Calais and distributed to the people in the camps by Secours Catholique—Caritas France.

Soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, towels and men's jeans and trainers are required. Please bring items to Chigwell Convent up until 26th Oct. Grateful thanks.

## **KEEP FIT**

Not long to Christmas!! Come and get fit after the summer holidays. Join us in the Becket Centre 8pm on Monday evening.

## **CWL JUMBLE SALE SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER**

At 2pm in the Becket Centre. Please leave your donations in the porch.

## **ROSARY**

During the month of October the Rosary will be said each day after the 10am week-day Mass.

## **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 28th November 1-4pm**

If there are any local businesses who would like to advertise in the Bazaar's Programme, please contact the parish office and leave your details.

If you are a regular stall-holder and are willing to run your stall again this year please call Jackie 07952077546/0208 506 1799.

## **GIFT AID STATEMENTS**

For the tax year 2014/2015 are available at the back of church for collection.

## **SOUP RUN FOR THE HOMELESS**

We are up London again on Wednesday night and would be grateful to receive sandwiches, fruit, cakes, sweets, toiletries and clean men's clothing. Items can be left in the parish office between 9.30am and 1.30pm or the Becket Centre between 7pm and 8pm on Wednesday night.

## **SYNOD ON FAMILY/MARRIAGE**

The Tablet stated that no submission had been sent to the Synod from Brentwood. I presume the meaning is that nothing was sent in the name of the whole Diocese. I have been assured that our contribution went in through more than one channel. As the general response of our country was belatedly made known, it appears that plenty of others agreed with what we said. The Rome meeting will last only 3 weeks. The work goes on longer and deeper. Pray now for a good outcome. Then we must think how we can carry it forward.

## **ADMISSIONS TO TRINITY SCHOOL**

I have this past week had a brief meeting with the parents of each of the children seeking a place in Trinity for next September. At first it looked to be a daunting process. In fact it proved to be very pleasant and useful. I have now had a conversation with over 100 families. Much too brief but a good beginning of what I hope will be encounters at greater depth. If there are more, I am willing to meet you. I wish you well in your quest for entry to the school. I look to your families to continue to enhance its excellence.

## **ST. ANTONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL RECEPTION APPLICATIONS 2016/17**

The school is holding an Open Afternoon on Wednesday, 14th October at 1.45pm. This will give parents an opportunity to look round the school, meet the Headteacher and find out about the Application procedure.

## **CONFIRMATION**

### ***Sunday, 5th May 2016***

Application forms are now available at the back of the church. The programme will commence on Thursday, 4th Feb. 2016 and is open to young people registered in our parish who are currently in Year 10 or above. The closing date for applications is Wed. 4th November 2015.

***NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE  
ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE.***

## **FRIARY TENNIS CLUB QUIZ NIGHT**

Sat. 14th Nov. starting at 7.30pm in the Becket Centre. Entrance £7 (plus cost of optional hot supper if you wish). Licensed Bar. Our regular professional quizmasters guarantee this will be a great quiz for everybody, as usual. Please contact Bernard Bourdillon on 07867 908814.

## **PARISH AGM**

Will be held in the Becket Centre at 12.30pm today (Sunday). We encourage all parishioners to attend this very important meeting of the parish.

## **WELCOME**

We welcome into the parish community Eva Ann D'Arcy Saleh and Salvatore William Ingrao who were baptised in St. Thomas' last weekend.

If you need to attend a baptism course for your first child please contact the parish office for details. We recommend couples to attend a course before the birth of their child. The next course will be run in November.

Baptisms take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

## **MOTHER/TODDLERS MOTHER/BABY**

### ***Tues/Wed Back to normal!!***

Group photos are on Tuesday 13th Oct. in the William Scott Room upstairs in the Becket Centre and Wed. 14th Oct.

## **TUESDAY CLUB**

On the 13th October at 2pm, we're listening to **FRANK'S MUSIC**. Look forward to seeing you all in the Becket Centre for relaxation and refreshments!

## **COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND**

I am concerned that we are not sufficiently alert to the need of people in our parish who cannot come to church, but for that reason are even more keen to receive Holy Communion regularly. So I ask you to think if you know anyone who would like to have a regular visit from the Lord, and then to let me or the office know. At the same time we need to have more Ministers who are willing to commit regularly to do this service. So I shall welcome information of any Ministers who are free to do this rewarding task.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Sick:-** Mike Angelo, Maria Ashley, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela & Kerry Bromfield, Marilyn Callow, Claire, Claver D'Souza, Don Dourado, Laurie Durrant, Maureen Halford, Thomas Hefferman, Irene & Carter de Freitas, Trish Gardner, Mary Grisdale, Cynthia Gregory, Pat Greene, Doris Harriss, Lauren, Mary McKay, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Bridie McCoy, Paul McDonnell, Alex McVeigh, Hohn Meneghan, Jutta Menzies, Pat Morgan, Kath Vaughan & Horace Whitehall

**Lately Dead.** Brian Barret, Don Heany, Sarah McDonagh, Mr Reid, Paris Steenson.

**Anniv:** Angela Francescotti, Martin Kivineen, Patrick & John Kivineen,

### **CHURCH CLEANING**

Friday 9am 16th October Maureen Insole, Claire Hobbs, Julia Bever, Christie Acons, Lisa Robinson.

### **TUTORING**

Experienced tutor with BSC Physics Degree and pending MSC in Mechanical Engineering/ Available in A-Level Maths and Physics and all Sciences and Maths at GCSE level, or lower school. Prices vary per circumstance so please call Sukie on 07866805405.

### **FINANCE OFFICER**

St. Joseph's Catholic Infant School, Leyton. Contact rboon.320@lgflmail.org or 020 8539 3000 for more information.

#### **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

### **THE HELPERS OF GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS**

The number of those who have turned to us for help are many and we are humbled by their thanks. The reasons that parents find themselves in these circumstances are varied and many, but God is there holding out His Hand of Love and Mercy "where two or more are gathered in prayer, I am there in the midst of them" why not come and join us and help to hold out God's Hand of Love and Mercy?

The next Rosary Procession Vigil, led by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, will be held on Sat. 17th Oct. 2015 at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church. We begin with 9am Mass, followed by our Procession at 9.45am to Marie Stopes, where we pray 15 decades of the Rosary and sing hymns, returning at approx 12noon to the church for refreshments. Full details on poster in church porch.

### **MOTHER'S HELP/AU PAIR**

Needed for a 2-1/2 year old girl to work afternoons and evenings 3-4 days per week. Based in Buckhurst Hill. Must like cats and dogs. Please 'phone 07769328745.

### **HAIRDRESSER**

Harrods trained and colour specialist (mobile). Contact Tina 07957977380.

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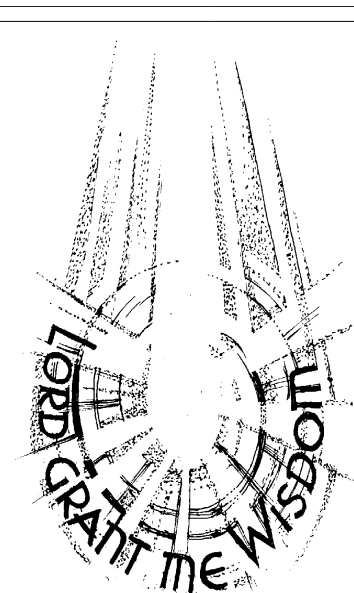


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**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**11TH OCTOBER 2015**

**CYCLE B (Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependents)**



With the Gospel of Christ there is always something more. At whatever stage we find ourselves, there is always so much more to come, and so at any stage of our life we are still at the beginning.

#### **First Reading (Wisdom 7:7-11)**

Wisdom is the treasure that we may have for ever. When it comes, it always comes as God's gift.

#### **Second Reading (Hebrews 4:12-13)**

Nothing is hidden from God, because God's love accepts no barriers.

#### **Gospel (Mark 10:17-30)**

When God became human, the impossible stopped being impossible.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Fill us with your love that we may rejoice**