



# St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

***'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world'***

### Mass Times

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| <b>Sat 7th</b>    | <b>The Blessed Virgin Mary</b><br>09:30<br>17:30 ( <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i> )<br>Charles Mabira RIP      |
| <b>Sun 8th</b>    | <b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>10:00 People of the Parish                                     |
| <b>Mon 9th</b>    | <b>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin &amp; Martyr, Feast</b><br>09:30 Kayleigh Lowe RIP              |
| <b>Tues 10th</b>  | <b>St Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, Feast</b><br>09:30 Holy Souls  |
| <b>Weds 11th</b>  | <b>St Claire, Virgin, Memorial</b><br>09:30 Holy Souls  |
| <b>Thurs 12th</b> | <b>Feria</b><br>09:30 Holy Souls  |
| <b>Fri 13th</b>   | <b>Feria</b><br>09:30   |
| <b>Sat 14th</b>   | <b>St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest &amp; Martyr, Memorial</b><br>09:30<br>17:30 ( <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i> ) |
| <b>Sun 15th</b>   | <b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Solemnity</b><br>10:00  |



Jesus Christ, the Son of God, has come into this world to reveal to us the fullness of the Father's love. The Lord does this supremely by offering himself on the Cross, literally pouring out his life blood for the forgiveness of our sins. It is the death and resurrection of Jesus that opens for us the way to eternal life. At the Last Supper Jesus gave the disciples the bread that is his body and the wine that is his blood. Every time we celebrate the Eucharist, the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross is made present for us. As Jesus fed the disciples at the Last Supper with his very self, so too we receive the fullness of his life under the forms of bread and wine. The Eucharist is our food to nourish us in this life and to prepare us for everlasting life. Echoing the words of the centurion in Matthew's gospel, we say before receiving Holy Communion 'Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.'

(cf Matthew 8:5-11)

**Mgr Matthew**

### Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-10.45

**Sunday Readings:** Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

**This Week's Liturgy Group:** John

**Next Week's Liturgy Group:** Matthew

**Baptisms & Marriages:** Please contact the Parish Priest

**Please wear a face mask while in Church**

**'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in  
God my saviour'**

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| <b>Sat 14th</b>          | <b>St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest &amp; Martyr, Memorial</b><br>09:30<br>17:30 ( <i>Vigil Mass of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> ) |
| <b>Sun 15th</b>          | <b>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b><br>10:00 People of the Parish   |
| <b>Mon 16th</b>          | <b>Feria</b><br>09:30 Audrey & John Charlton RIP   |
| <b>Tues 17th</b>         | <b>Feria</b><br>09:30 Thanksgiving to St Joseph  |
| <b>Weds 18th</b>         | <b>Feria</b><br>09:30  |
| <b>Thurs 19th</b>        | <b>Feria</b><br>09:30  |
| <b>Fri 20th</b>          | <b>St Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church, Memorial</b><br>09:30   |
| <b>Sat 21st</b>          | <b>St Pius X, Pope, Memorial</b><br>09:30<br>17:30 ( <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i> )<br>Christine Kawesi Thanksgiving                            |
| <b>Sun 22nd Time (B)</b> | <b>Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary</b><br>10:00 People of the Parish   |

**This Week's Liturgy Group:** Matthew  
**Next Week's Liturgy Group:** Mark

**NEW ROTA FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER**

Dear Volunteers, please pick up the new Rota at the back of the Church.  
Thanks for your all of your help at the Parish.



'Finally, the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians.'

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, §966)

**St Bernard of Clairvaux 1090 – 1153**



St Bernard of Clairvaux was a Cistercian monk and abbot of Clairvaux, the monastery he established with a small group of monks in 1115. He combined a life of deep prayer with care for others, especially the disadvantaged, and with church administration.

'There are those who seek knowledge for the sake of knowledge; that is curiosity. There are those who seek knowledge to be known by others; that is vanity. There are those who seek knowledge in order to serve; that is love.'