



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th August 2019

Where your treasure is there will your heart be

Mass Times

- 10th Sat St Lawrence**
 9.30 No Mass
 17.30 Ann McCabe +
- 11th Sun Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Joseph Lennon +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 12th Mon Feria**
 9.30 Margaret Walsh +
- 13th Tue Feria**
 9.30 No Mass
- 14th Wed St Maximilian Kolbe**
 9.30 Thomas Payabyab +
 19.00 **Vigil Mass for The Assumption of Virgin Mary** Holyday of Obligation
- 15th Thu The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Holyday of Obligation
 9.30 Bridget Monahan +
- 16th Fri Feria**
 12.00 Requiem Mass
 Etiennette Cockman +
- 17th Sat Feria**
 9.30 No Mass
 Confessions before or after 5.30 mass
 17.30 John Greenham +
- 18th Sun Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Anne Thornton +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Murillo 1670

The Angelus

- V/ The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
 R/ And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.
 Hail Mary...
- V/ Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
 R/ Be it done unto me according to thy Word.
 Hail Mary...
- V/ And the Word was made flesh,
 R/ And dwelt among us.
 Hail Mary ...
- V/ Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
 R/ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
- Let us pray.
 Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts,
 that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made
 known by the message of an angel, may by his passion and
 cross be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the
 same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confessions:

During August before or after Saturday 5.30 mass

Sunday Readings: Year C **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

Cycle of Prayer, Summer:

Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews,
 Those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression, and Denial of
 Human Rights, Europe, Human Life, Seafarers

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Matthew

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest

Feast of the Assumption

Thursday 15th August is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and it is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses at 9.30 & 19.00 on that day.

Prayer from a Book of Hours of 1514

God be in my head, and in my understanding,
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking,
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking,
God be in my heart, and in my thinking,
God be at my end, and at my departing.

Act today in such a way
that you do not need to
blush tomorrow

St John Bosco

Holiday Arrangements

Father Alex is away in August. Please note that there will be no mass on Saturday mornings during August. Confessions will be before or after mass on Saturday nights. Father Louis Kouevi from St Joseph's, Roehampton will be covering while Father Alex is away.

Organ

Our organ specialist and tuner has informed us that the organ in our Church needs some important repairs. Apparently, the organ was completely overhauled in the 1990's but the work was very poorly done and the firm that did it went out of business shortly after. It is a splendid instrument but we are being told that it desperately needs work to be done in the near future. We don't have an estimated cost at this stage but it is thought to be around £15,000. Parts will need to be taken away to a workshop for overhaul and our consultant, Donald McKenzie, will oversee the work to ensure it is done to a high standard. We will need to take up a series of second collections to help fund these unexpected expenses. Also, we ought to make fundraising events for the organ a priority in the coming year or so. We will start by taking up second collections on a monthly basis. The organ certainly enhances the liturgy and we need to keep our marvellous organ in first class condition. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Music

There will be no Choir at the 10.00 Sunday mass as they are on holiday. The organ will be played at the 5.30 mass on Saturday throughout August.

Jesus is honey in the mouth,
music in the ear,
a song of gladness in the heart

St Bernard of Clairvaux

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council17th September
Parish Council26th November

Going to University this Autumn?

Each University and Higher Education Institute in the country has a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based either in the University or in the parish.



The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith, to meet people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach.

If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. For addresses see the special website www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk

Choir

The Choir are taking a summer break returning on Sunday 1st September. We thank them for all they do to enhance the liturgy.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Would all Readers and Eucharistic Ministers please check the rotas and if you are not available please arrange a substitute. Over the summer with many people away on holiday it is important that we have sufficient Readers and Ministers to help with the Sunday masses.

People are like stained-glass windows:
They sparkle and shine
when the sun is out,
but when the darkness sets in,
their true beauty is revealed
only if there is a light from within

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £ 366 Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

Organ Fund Today 11th August, Catholic Education Service 8th September, Home Missions 15th September

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: Resumes September

Readers: Sat: N Nolan, S Vas, E De Souza Sun: T Brown, A Harris, A Stacey n/w Sat: E De Souza, M Slade; Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: J Cato, D McGavin, C Kawesi Sun: A Nobis, R Nwodo, P Fahy, R McMullan n/w Sat: D McGavin, K Dolan Sun: G Donaldson, S Palmer, R Kuleke, D Lyons

Flowers: A Oliva n/w L Northeast

Royal Hospital: A Robbins n/w Sr Pauline

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 10th August
14th September