



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th October 2019

God, be merciful to me a sinner

Mass Times

- 26th Sat SS Chad & Cedd**
9.30 Desmond Neligan +
10.00 Confessions
17.30 Mary Byrne +
- 27th Sun Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 Patrick Dolan +
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 28th Mon SS Simon & Jude**
9.30 Annie Connell +
- 29th Tue Feria**
9.30
- 30th Wed Feria**
9.30 Holy Souls
- 31st Thu Feria**
9.30 Kathleen Snell +
- 1st Fri All Saints (Holiday of Obligation)**
9.30 Patrick Dolan +
19.00
- 2nd Sat Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**
9.30 Colm Maguire +
10.00 Confessions
17.30 Peter Kennedy +
- 3rd Sun Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 Nicholas Lewis +
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

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

Cycle of Prayer, Autumn:

Students and Teachers, Spread of the Gospel, Harvest, Fruits of Human Work & Reverent use of Creation, Victims of War, Young People, Prisoners & their Families

Next Week's Liturgy Group: John

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, James Tissot

A Prayer for my Family

Lord, I present to you everyone in my immediate and extended family. Bless each one of us with your love and fill us with grace and understanding. Help us to love one another as you love us. May our love for each other be selfless, giving and constant. May we put the highest and best interests of others before ourselves and treat one another as we would wish to be treated. May each member of my family feel loved, nurtured and treasured and may we as a family be united in your love. Amen

First Holy Communion 2020



Please take a form from the table at the back of the Church if you wish to enrol your child for First Communion classes and return to the parish office by **31st October** with a copy of the child's Baptism Certificate. The children must be in Year 3 or above.

Classes will be at 16.00 on the following Saturdays: 9th November, 14th December, 11th January, 8th February, 7th March, 28th March, 25th April (First Confession) 9th May, 6th June (Practice) and the First Holy Communion will be on 13th June. The idea is that the children come to the classes and then join in the 17.30 Saturday evening mass. Parents should attend on 9th November for the first half an hour so that organisational matters can be clarified.

**The garden of paradise is a place we enter,
not with our feet, but with our hearts**

St Bernard of Clairvaux

A Celebration of Parish Life

During the 175th anniversary of the Parish we had a special evening with a wide range of entertainment provided by a number of Parishioners for the enjoyment of the whole Parish. On Saturday 8th February we plan to hold a similar occasion to celebrate the wide range of talents that our people have. We invite everyone to consider contributing to the evening whether it be song, music, performance, drama, spoken word, dance, cultural activity or anything else that celebrates the life of our Parish.

Holiday of Obligation

Please remember that the Feast of All Saints on Friday 1st November is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses at 9.30 (with School) and 19.00.

Eucharistic Ministers

The time has come for Eucharistic Ministers to renew their criminal record check. Please pick up the letter at the back of the church and contact the Parish Office, the Secretary will explain the process.

**To live is to change,
and to be perfect is to have changed often**

Cardinal Newman

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council 3rd December
Christmas Dinner 7th December
Penitential Service 16th December
Carol Service 22nd December
Feast of St Thomas à Becket 29th December
Celebration of Parish Life 8th February

Gift Aid

Forms are available at the back of the Church so that parishioners can contribute to our Offertory Collections by means of Banker's Order or Envelope and so that the parish can reclaim the Gift Aid.

Month of the Holy Souls

November is the month of the Holy Souls. You will find envelopes and forms at the back of the Church so that you can write the names of your loved ones who have died. When returned to the Parish Office the list of names will be placed on the altar and included in all the masses during the month of November.

Sunday Teas and Coffees

Please remember that tea and coffee is served in the Corry Hall after 10.00 Sunday mass. It is a good occasion to meet your fellow parishioners.

Cake Sale

There will be a cake sale this Sunday, 27th October, in the Corry Hall after 10.00 Mass. Donations of cakes can be left in the hall before Mass.

New Parishioners

If you are new to the Parish please complete a registration form which is available at the back of the Church. You are most welcome to the parish and to our primary school St Joseph's in Oakhill Road.

Urgent Need

A patient in the Royal Hospital has been returned to his home in the Cape Verde Islands and his sister has had to give up her job to care for him full-time at home. If anyone would like to help them financially then contributions will be forwarded by Fr Alex.

**A brook would lose its song
if God removed the rocks**

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £ 424 Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

Organ Fund Today 27th October, Archbishop's Administration Fund 10th November, Catholic Youth Work 24th November, Organ Fund 1st December

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: L Northeast

M Ascensao n/w A Oliva, E Falcone

Readers: Sat: E & N Falcone, E De Souza, Sun: G Donaldson, L Brown, L Northeast n/w Sat: N Nolan, S Vas, E De Souza Sun: T Brown, A Harris, A Stacey

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: E Falcone, D McGavin, C. Kawesi Sun: D Lyons, L Delos Santos, J Cato n/w Sat: J Cato, D McGavin, C Kawesi Sun: A Nobis, R Nwodo, P Fahy, R McMullan

Flowers: V Barkho n/w A Oliva

Royal Hospital: A. Vanotti, M Lewis n/w A Robbin

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 9th November