



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Second Sunday of Easter

28th April 2019

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe

Mass Times

27th Sat Saturday in the Octave of Easter

9.30

10.00 Confessions

17.30 Rene Aurelio Sauchelli +

28th Sun Second Sunday of Easter

10.00 Patrick Dolan +

12.00 Sacrament of Confirmation

15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

29th Mon St Catherine of Sienna

12.30 Requiem Mass for Weronika Subocz

30th Tue St George

9.30 All Souls

1st Wed St Joseph the Worker

9.30 Anne McCabe +

2nd Thu St Athanasius

9.30 Holy Souls

3rd Fri SS Philip and James

9.30 All Souls

4th Sat The English Martyrs

09.30

10.00 Confessions

17.30 Sarah and Andrew Leitch +

5th Sun Third Sunday of Easter

10.00 Teresa Rowse +

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, Lent:

Candidates for the Sacraments, The Needy and Hungry of the World, Women's World Day of Prayer, Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Mark

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Doubting Thomas

St Thomas

You could call St Thomas the Apostle the patron saint of doubters. He refused to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead until he had seen him with his own eyes and touched his wounds with the tip of his fingers.

Many of us experience doubts in our lives; we often find ourselves wondering if the Christian story is really true. At certain times in our lives we believe strongly Christ and in the truths of the Gospel but then at other times we are assailed by doubts. Sometimes these doubts can cause us a great deal of anxiety.

The most frequent words on the lips of the Risen Lord were these: 'Peace be with you.' So, we understand very well that Jesus wants us to be relieved of anxiety, we understand that he wants us to experience peace in the very depths of our being. This helps us to realise that these doubts when they get out of proportion and start to cause us anxiety must come from another source, namely the Evil One.

God wants only what is good for us, he wants to build us up, to give us confidence and peace. He wants for us only that which is positive and life-enhancing. Knowing the origin of our doubts, especially when they get out of proportion, is helpful because we realise that at those moments we simply have to place our trust in the promises of God and believe in him who is the origin and source of all that is good. St Thomas the Apostle, pray for us.



Divine Mercy Sunday

This Sunday is known as Divine Mercy Sunday and is so named in order to highlight the Message of Divine Mercy as proclaimed by Sister Faustina Kowalska and promoted by Pope John Paul II. The faithful are encouraged to spend time to discover more about the mercy of God, to learn how to trust in Jesus, and to respond to the invitation to live lives which are as merciful to others as Christ is merciful to us.

**If there is no sorrow for sin,
there will be no joy in salvation**

Funeral

The funeral of Weronika Subocz will take place on Monday 29th April and mass will be at 12.30 on that day. There will be no mass at 9.30.

Quiz Night

There will be a Quiz Night on 18th May at 19.30. Tickets available from 27th April for £7.50. Bar, refreshments and raffle. Good quality prizes needed.

Easter Offerings

Many thanks for your generous offerings at Easter and throughout the year. Your kindness is much appreciated. Father Alex

A Prayer of Erasmus

O Lord Jesus Christ,
you have said that you are the way,
the truth, and the life.

Suffer us not to stray
from you who are the way,
nor to distrust you who are the truth,
nor to rest in anything other than you,
who are the life.

Teach us by your Holy Spirit what to believe,
what to do, and where to take our rest.
For your name's sake we ask this. Amen.

Easter Duties

Easter Duties which are obligatory for all Catholics who have made their First Communion means going to Confession and receiving Holy Communion at least once between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday. These requirements are not onerous so please do your best to fulfil your Easter Duties.

**God will either give you what you ask,
or something far better**

Forthcoming Dates

Confirmation.....28th April
First Communion..... 12th May
Parish Council21st May



Sacrament of Confirmation

This Sunday at 12.00 Bishop Paul Hendricks will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The following eighteen parishioners will be Confirmed:

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| Bonnie Planson-Brown | Ella Kone |
| Emily Maya Anderson | John-Paul Magala |
| Xavier Vas | Carmen Pandolfo-Millos |
| Rowan Powell | Shantelle Okongo |
| Betsy Clementine Burton | Daniel Karman |
| Betty Nambooze | Megan Vega Pazmino |
| Mya Planson | Sebastiano Brussato |
| Lara Florence Hey | Jordan James Ayres |
| Marta Montero Garcia | Lauren Butler |

Please remember them in your prayers.

**Teach me my God and King
In all things thee to see;
And what I do in anything
To do it as for thee**

George Herbert 1593-1632

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £ Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

Up-keep of the Cathedral, Today 28th April, Church Maintenance 12th May, Communications Sunday 28th June

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: F Azevado, M Figueiredo n/w E Chavez. R Martella

Readers: Sat: C Wilkins, E De Souza, M Slade Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy, n/w Sat: R & S Jackson

M Slade Sun: A Burnett, T Greetham, A Kane Blanes

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: D McGavin, K Dolan Sun: G Donaldson, S Palmer, R Kuleke, D Lyons n/w Sat: M & S Lee Sun: G D'Monte, V Chima, A Kilcawley, R McMullan

Little Church: A Kane Blanes, C Webb n/w A Kilcawley, M Harrison, A Stacey

Tiny Church: J. Bronicka Anderson n/w E Lueth

Flowers: L Northeast n/w A Robbins

Royal Hospital: Sr Pauline n/w C Kawesi

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 11th May 8th June