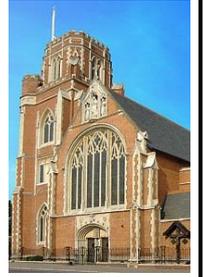




St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st June 2020

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body

Mass Times

In the light of the fact that public masses have been suspended Father Alex will say mass privately and offer the intentions as below.

- 20th Sat Immaculate Heart of Mary**
Richard Barratt +
- 21st Sun Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
People of the Parish
- 22nd Mon SS John Fisher & Thomas More
Dedication Day of Our Parish**
Duke Family
- 23rd Tue St Ethelreda**
Bernard Patrick Devlin +
- 24th Wed Nativity of St John the Baptist**
Margaret O'Malley +
- 25th Thu Feria**
Albertina & Pierino Vanotti +
- 26th Fri Feria**
Patrick Dolan +
- 27th Sat Feria**
Edward Kane +
- 28th Sun Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
People of the Parish

Confessions:
By Appointment

Sunday Readings: Year A **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer, Ordinary Time After Easter:
Deeper Understanding Between Christians and Jews,
those Suffering Persecution, Oppression and Denial of
Rights, Human Life, Seafarers, Europe.

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Coronavirus

Because of the Coronavirus pandemic we had been instructed by the Archbishop to suspend masses in the Church for the time being. But under Government instruction we are now obliged to keep the main body of the Church locked during the day. However, the porch is open and palms and votive candles are available. Father Alex will continue to say mass privately.

You may wish to watch mass on your computer which is being livestreamed from numerous Churches in Britain and Ireland by clicking on this link <http://www.churchservices.tv/whats-on-now/>



Following our recent successful Quizzes on Zoom we have decided to have another one at 19.00 on Saturday 20th June. It will take about an hour and a half. If you and your family would like to participate please send an email to the parish at wandsworthwesthill@rcaos.org.uk. You will need to give your team name and we will email you the link.

**By doubting we are led to question,
by questioning we arrive at the truth**

Peter Abelard

Soup Kitchen

St Mary Magdalen's Church, East Hill are starting a Soup Kitchen for the homeless on Tuesday nights. It was supposed to begin on 17th March but regretfully due to the Coronavirus Pandemic it has been decided to postpone the opening for the time being. It is hoped to begin as soon as it is feasible to do so.

First Communion Classes

First Communion classes have been cancelled for the time being. We will give more information when we can plan new classes.

Parish Website

During the entire Coronavirus crisis the parish newsletter and Father Alex's sermons will be available each week on the Parish Website www.stthomasabecketchurch.co.uk. There are also links to Churches which web-stream their masses.

**If you cannot find Christ
in the beggar at the Church door,
you will not find him in the chalice**

St John Chrysostom

Jesus, Mary and Joseph

King on High,
gracious Mother,
loving Joseph,
may you come to my side
in the day of my distress.

To your heart I pray, O King of Glory,
I pray to your heart, O Mary Immaculate,
and to your sinless heart, O Joseph.
These are the three hearts in which I hope.

Prayer for Good Humour by St. Thomas More

Grant me, O Lord, good digestion, and also something to digest. Grant me a healthy body, and the necessary good humour to maintain it. Grant me a simple soul that knows to treasure all that is good and that doesn't frighten easily at the sight of evil, but rather finds the means to put things back in their place. Give me a soul that knows not boredom, grumblings, sighs and laments, nor excess of stress, because of that obstructing thing called "I." Grant me, O Lord, a sense of good humour. Allow me the grace to be able to take a joke, to discover in life a bit of joy, and to be able to share it with others.

Pass It On

Have you had a kindness shown? Pass it on;
'Twas not given for thee alone. Pass it on;
Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
'Till in Heaven the deed appears--Pass it on.

Henry Burton

**To be full of things
is to be empty of God.
To be empty of things
is to be full of God**

Meister Eckhart

This is Good

An African king had a long time friend who always looked at everything positively, always saying "This is good!" even in the face of the most difficult situations. Hunting one day, he was preparing the king's guns. When the king took his first shot, his thumb was blown off. Though the friend realized that it was his grave mistake for not properly setting the gun, and even in the face of this furious, bleeding king, he looked at him and said, "This is good!" The king was livid and ordered that his friend be thrown in jail immediately.

A year later the king was hunting in an area where he should have stayed clear and was suddenly captured by Cannibals. They tied him up and were preparing to cook him when they realized he had no thumb. They didn't eat anyone who was less than whole so they released him. On his way home, the king pondered the event that had taken his thumb in the first place. He went straight to the jail, told his friend what happened and apologized in tears for sending him to jail like he did. His enthusiastic friend looked at the King and replied: "This is good!"

The king, taken aback once again said "What do you mean 'this is good!' I sent you mercilessly to jail and you've been suffering for here for an entire year – how is that good?" His friend responded unwaveringly, "Well if I had not been in jail, I would have been with you!"