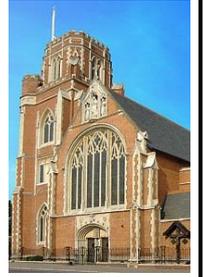




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Third Sunday of Easter

26th April 2020

As the Father sent me so am I sending you

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.

- 2nd Sat St Athanasius**
- 3rd Sun Fourth Sunday of Easter**
People of the Parish
- 4th Mon The English Martyrs**
Bernard Paul Palmer +
- 5th Tue Feria**
- 6th Wed Feria**
Patrick Dolan +
- 7th Thu Feria**
John Grenham + (Anniv)
- 8th Fri Feria**
- 9th Sat Feria**
- 10th Sun Fifth Sunday of Easter**
People of the Parish

Confessions:
By Appointment

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

Cycle of Prayer, Easter:
New Members of the Church, Vocations, Right Use of the Media, The Church, Human Work

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



I am the Good Shepherd

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.

The Archbishop has issued a pastoral letter on the subject and there is a link to it on the parish website. 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/>

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

A Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Wealth consists not in having great possessions, but in having few wants

Epicetetus

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.

**To accomplish great things,
we must not only act, but also dream;
not only plan, but also believe**

Anatole France

A Celtic Prayer

You are the peace of all things calm
You are the place to hide from harm
You are the light that shines in dark
You are the heart's eternal spark
You are the door that's open wide
You are the guest who waits inside
You are the stranger at the door
You are the calling of the poor
You are my Lord and with me still
You are my love, keep me from ill
You are the light, the truth, the way
You are my Saviour this very day.



Following our successful Quiz on Zoom last Saturday we have decided to have another one at 19.00 on Saturday May 2nd. 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. In the meantime, download Zoom onto your computer. Happy Quizzing!

Seven Wonders

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present-day Seven Wonders of the World. Though there were some disagreements the following received the most votes: 1. Egypt's Great Pyramids 2. Taj Mahal 3. Grand Canon 4. Panama Canal 5. Empire State Building 6. St Peter's Basilica 7. China's Great Wall While gathering the notes, the teacher noticed that one student had not finished her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. "Yes, a little," she replied. "I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many." "Well, tell us what you have," said the teacher, "and maybe we can help." The girl hesitated and then read: "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are: 1. To see 2. To hear 3. To touch 4. To taste 5. To feel 6. To laugh 7. To love" Sometimes the things we overlook as simple and ordinary and that we take for granted are truly wondrous.

**The ideals which have lighted my way,
and time after time have given me new
courage to face life cheerfully, have
been Kindness, Beauty, and Truth**

Albert Einstein

Show us good Lord

Show us good Lord,
The peace we should seek,
The peace we must give,
The peace we can give,
The peace we must keep,
The peace we must forgo
And the peace you have given
In Jesus Christ our Lord.