



# St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st October 2017

Go and work in the Vineyard today

## Mass Times

- 30th Sat St Jerome**  
 9.30  
 17.30 (Vigil Mass) *Dylan Darcy +*
- 1st Sun 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 10.00 *Lolita L. Delos Santos (Thanksgiving)*  
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 2nd Mon Guardian Angels**  
 9.30
- 3rd Tue Feria**  
 9.30
- 4th Wed St Francis of Assisi**  
 9.30
- 5th Thu Feria**  
 9.30  
 16.30 *Mass for Deanery Teachers*
- 6th Fri Feria**  
 9.30
- 7th Sat Our Lady of the Rosary**  
 9.30 *Michael Lamb +*  
 17.30 (Vigil Mass) *Richard Doherty +*
- 8th Sun 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 10.00 *Arvin Roy Navaro +*  
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

## Confessions

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

**Sunday Readings:** Year A **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

**This Sunday's Readings:** Page 134 in Mass Book

**Cycle of Prayer Autumn:** The Harvest, Fruits of Human Work, Reverent Use of Creation, Students & Teachers, Spread of the Gospel, Justice & Peace, Prisoners & their Families, Victims of War, Young People

**Next Week's Liturgy Group:** John

**Baptisms & Marriages:** Please contact the Parish Priest



Parable of the Two Sons  
Andrey Mironov 2012

# CAFOD

Just one world

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is Friday 6 October 2017. This Harvest Fast Day, we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training, and strong seeds.

Please pick up a Fast Day envelope, fast this Friday and give what you can in the second collection which we will take up next Sunday.

Lord, all good things come from you.  
 You are so loving and generous  
 and you fill our world with wonders.  
 Inspire us to open our hearts  
 and share your gifts, so that  
 those who are hungry may flourish.  
 Through your grace, we pray  
 all may celebrate fullness of life.  
 Help us to be more compassionate,  
 to be aware of your love in each person,  
 and to live as children of one family.  
 We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Holydays of Obligation

With effect from the First Sunday of Advent 2017, two holydays of obligation are being reinstated. This decision was made by the Bishops of England and Wales, and has been confirmed by the Holy See. The days are: **The Epiphany of the Lord** on 6th January (transferred to the adjacent Sunday when it falls on Saturday or Monday) and **The Ascension of the Lord** which falls on Thursday after Sixth Sunday of Easter (namely forty days after Easter).

**No one heals himself  
by wounding another**

*Saint Ambrose*

## Deanery Mass for School Staff

There will be a mass here at 16.30 on Wednesday 5th October for the staff of the Catholic Schools in our deanery. Refreshments afterwards in the Corry Hall. This is an important opportunity to express our support for our teachers and other school staff and to stress the importance of their vocation. All welcome.

## Parish Memorial Book

The Parish Memorial Book records the names of deceased parishioners, family members and friends and is kept in the cabinet beside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. We are about to have the PMB professionally updated by a calligrapher. Now is the time for you to include a loved one's name with a short entry. The form is available on the table [any questions see Bill Gallagher]. Entries are not restricted to parishioners and can be retrospective. A suggested donation of £50.00 covers the cost.

## Feast of St Jude

Mass at the National Shrine of St Jude at Faversham with the Blessing of Oil, Anointing and Mass on Saturday 28th October at 12.00 and Sunday 29th October at 12.30 and 14.30.

## Message to MISSIO Box Holders

Please note the most recent communication from MISSIO [APF]. Your individual envelope is available for collection as Bill Gallagher the local Secretary is now unable to walk around the parish hand delivering them. Please help yourself, your names are on the envelopes. It is also the time of year when we empty the boxes please hand them in ASAP. Many thanks for your cooperation.

**You cannot change the truth,  
but the truth can change you**

## Upcoming Dates

Seniors Club .....10.15 4th October  
Race Night.....19.30 7th October  
Deanery Mass for School Staff ....16.30 5th October  
Father Alex's Induction ..... 12.00 21st October  
School Advent Service .....1st December  
Parish Dinner ..... 9th December



## Race Night

We are holding a Parish Race Night this Saturday (7th October) at 19.30 with a Bar and Ploughman's Supper. Tickets only £5 on sale after both weekend Masses. £50 to sponsor a race and £5 to sponsor a horse. Eight races and eight horses in each race. Come along for a fun evening. Good luck!

## Christian Initiation

If anyone would like to be received into the Catholic Church they should make themselves known to Father Alex so that the appropriate classes can be arranged. Normally adult baptisms and receptions into the Church are done at the Easter Vigil and so the preparation programme needs to begin in the first week of Advent. We warmly welcome all who would like to become full members of the Church so that they can fully share in our sacramental life.

## Confirmation

We must decide whether Confirmation will be celebrated in 2018. Those in Year 9 or above who wish to be Confirmed please register with Father Alex; if there are sufficient numbers we can then arrange classes.

## Wimbledon Life Group AGM

Thursday 12th October at 20.00 in Drake House, St George's Road, Wimbledon SW19 4ED. All welcome.

**You are only young once,  
but you can be immature forever**

## Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £398.50, Bankers Orders £384

## Upcoming Second Collections

8th October: CAFOD, 22nd October: Missio, 12th November: Archbishop's Administration Fund.

## Rotas

**Sunday Welcome & Coffee:** M Harrison  
L Northeast n/w A Oliva, E Falcone

**Readers:** Sat: E & N Falcone, C Kawesi 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  
Sun: D Lyons, E Sinclair, L Delos Santos, J Cato n/w  
Sat: J Cato, D McGavin Sun: A Nobis, R. Nwodo,  
P Fahy, R McMullan

**Children's Liturgy:** J & N Neligan, A Mann n/w  
R & S Jackson

**Parent & Child Liturgy:** E Lueth n/w B. Cherian

**Flowers:** L Northeast n/w A Oliva