



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th October 2017

Invite everyone you can to the wedding

Mass Times

- 14th Sat Feria**
9.30 *Michael Lamb +*
17.30 (Vigil Mass) *Denis Donegan +*
- 15th Sun 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 *Liam Doyle +*
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 16th Mon Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque**
9.30
- 17th Tue St Ignatius of Antioch**
9.30
- 18th Wed St Luke**
9.30
- 19th Thu Feria**
9.30
- 20th Fri Feria**
9.30
- 21st Sat Feria**
12.00 Induction of Fr Alex as Parish Priest
Michael Lamb +
17.30 (Vigil Mass) *Giuseppe Vanedola +*
- 22th Sun 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 *Paula Payabyab +*
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 140 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: Mark

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Parable of the Great Feast, The Brunswick Monogrammist 1525

Jesus Christ, the Borrower

The people of the world have known,
and still know, their need of a Saviour.
When he comes, he comes as one in need.
He is born in a borrowed stable,
and learns the trade of a borrowed father.
He eats and sleeps in borrowed homes,
preaches from borrowed boats,
enters a capital city on a borrowed donkey.
He shares his last supper in a borrowed room.
Betrayed for borrowed money
he is aided with his cross by a borrowed shoulder.
He borrows a home for his mother,
and is buried in a borrowed tomb.
Risen and alive in power, he is still a borrower:
He wishes to borrow you and me.

Father Alex's Induction

The formal Induction of Father Alex McAllister as our parish priest will take place at 12.00 mass on Saturday 21st October. There will be refreshments in the Corry Hall afterwards. Local clergy and civic dignitaries will be present. It would be good if as many people as possible could attend.

Hassocks

If you would like to sew a hassock for the sanctuary please sign the list at the back of the Church or if you would like to sponsor one at £60 each please put a cheque in an envelope for the attention of the parish office. Thank you.

The best things in life aren't things

Parish Memorial Book

The Parish Memorial Book records the names of deceased parishioners, family members and friends. It is in the cabinet beside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. It is about to be updated. If you wish to add a loved one's name the form is available on the table. Entries not restricted to parishioners and can be retrospective. A £50.00 donation covers the cost.

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).

Confirmation

We need to decide whether Confirmation will be celebrated in 2018. Would those in Year 9 or above who wish to be Confirmed see Father Alex to register and if there are sufficient numbers we can then arrange classes.

Cake Sale

There will be a cake sale on Sunday 5th November in the Parish Hall after 10.00 mass. Bakers please bring your cakes to the Hall before the mass so they can be arranged ready for the sale after mass.

If you will carry the Bible while you are young, it will carry you when you are old

Upcoming Dates

Father Alex's Induction 12.00 21st October
Seniors Club 10.15 18th October
Cake Sale 5th November
School Advent Service 1st December
Parish Dinner 9th December

Christian Initiation

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

Weddings 2018

If you are considering marriage in 2018 please contact Father Alex even if the wedding will take place outside the parish so that the necessary paperwork can be started.

Memorial Mass

There will be a Memorial Mass for Father John Lavery who was a former parish priest of St Thomas à Becket at St George's Cathedral on 26th October 2017 at 12.30. He was here from 1981-1988.

Seniors Club

Next meeting is on 18th of October 10.15-12.15 Activity: Board Games. Pensioners who do not attend our church but are interested in joining our Senior Club are most welcome.

Message to Missio Box Holders.

Your individual Missio envelope is available for collection at the back of the Church. 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.

Not what you get but what you give determines the worth of the life you live

Father Davis

There will be a second collection today to provide a leaving gift for Father Davis Vadakkumpadan.

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £433.16, Bankers Orders £384 CAFOD £402.14

Upcoming Second Collections

Today 15th October Father Davis' Leaving Gift, 22nd October: Missio, 12th November: Archbishop's Administration Fund.

Rotas

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

Readers: Sat: C Wilkins, I Smith Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy, A Blanes n/w Sat: R & S Jackson Sun: A Burnett, T Greetham, E Lueth

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

Children's Liturgy: C & C Kawesi, C Webb n/w A Kilcawley, M Harrison, A Stacey

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

Flowers: L Northeast n/w A Robbins