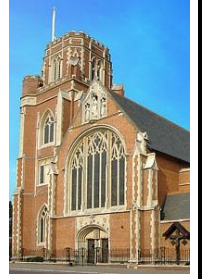


# St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

13th May 2018

Your Word is truth

## Mass Times

- 12th Sat Feria**  
9.30  
10.00 Confessions  
17.30 Evelyn Mary Wall +
- 13th Sun Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
10.00 Andrew Nobis and Family  
12.00 First Communion Mass  
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 14th Mon Saint Matthias**  
9.30 Maria Figueiredo
- 15th Tue Feria**  
9.30 Gregory and Marta Lamb Wellbeing
- 16th Wed Saint Simon Stock**  
9.30 Michael Lamb +
- 17th Thu Feria**  
9.30 Brigid Anne Farrell +  
19.00
- 18th Fri Feria**  
9.30 Giandomenico Grosso +
- 19th Sat Saint Dunstan**  
9.30  
10.00 Confessions  
17.30 Martin Marnie +
- 20th Sun Pentecost Sunday**  
10.00 Lorraine O'Connor +  
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

### Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

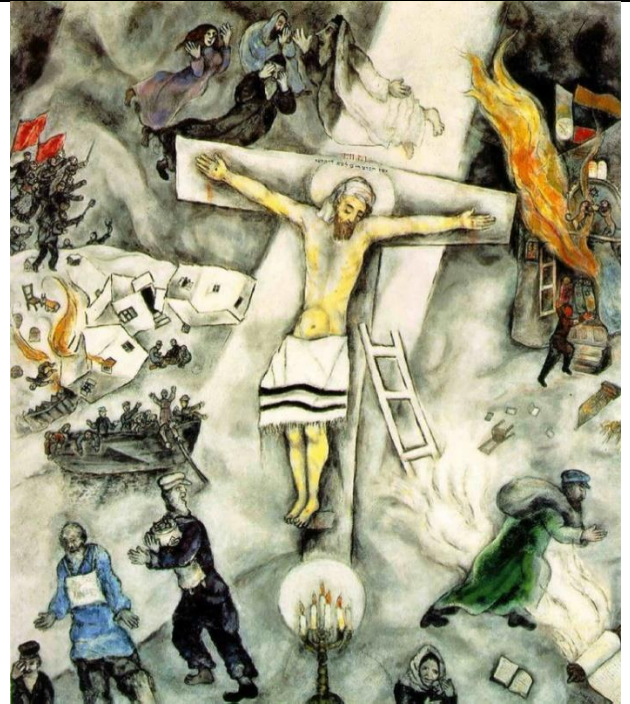
**Sunday Readings:** Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

### Cycle of Prayer, Easter:

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work,  
Right Use of Media, the Church

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

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



White Crucifixion, Marc Chagall 1938

## The May Magnificat

May is Mary's month, and I  
Muse at that and wonder why:  
Her feasts follow reason,  
Dated due to season—  
Candlemas, Lady Day;  
But the Lady Month, May,  
Why fasten that upon her,  
With a feasting in her honour?  
Is it only its being brighter  
Than the most are must delight her?  
Is it opportunist  
And flowers finds soonest?  
Ask of her, the mighty mother:  
Her reply puts this other  
Question: What is Spring?—  
Growth in everything—

All things rising, all things sizing  
Mary sees, sympathising  
With that world of good,  
Nature's motherhood.

This ecstasy all through mothering earth  
Tells Mary her mirth till Christ's birth  
To remember and exultation  
In God who was her salvation.

Shortened Version

Gerard Manley Hopkins SJ (1844-1889)



**First Holy Communion**

Our Year Three children will celebrate their First Holy Communion this Sunday 13th May at 12.00. We congratulate them on their very special day and assure them of our prayers in the months and years ahead. We also express our thanks to the catechists for their hard work in preparing them so well for this important occasion.

**You cannot do a kindness too soon,  
for you never know  
how soon it will be too late**

Ralph Waldo Emerson

**Life Coaching**

If you would like to have fun, transform your life and be happy try Life Coaching on Saturdays 11.00-12.00 in the Hall. First Session free, after that £7 per session. Starts Saturday 26th May. See poster.



**St John's Seminary**

Our former parish priest Mgr. Gerry Ewing is now the vice rector of St John's Seminary at Wonersh. He has been given the task of renovating this very large building. He has launched an appeal across the archdiocese and we will be taking up a second collection for this purpose in on 15th July. £2,000 is needed to renovate each room. If you would like to help cheques can be sent directly to him at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford GU5 0QX.

**Zeal is for the wise,  
but it is mostly found in fools**

**Forthcoming Dates**

First Communion ..... 13th May  
Parish Council ..... 5th June  
Eucharistic Congress ..... 7th-9th September

**Always Remember**

Always remember to forget  
The things that made you sad  
But never forget to remember  
The things that made you glad.

Always remember to forget  
The friends that proved untrue.  
But don't forget to remember  
Those that have stuck by you.

Always remember to forget  
The troubles that have passed away.  
But never forget to remember  
The blessings that come each day.

**Father Alex McAllister SDS**

Father Alex has suffered a ruptured quadriceps tendon, which means that the major tendon connecting the thigh to the kneecap has broken away from the knee. He had excellent surgery in St George's Hospital and is now recuperating in Becket House. He is able to get around on crutches but it is difficult to manage steps; and getting in and out of chairs is not easy. It will take at least twelve weeks for full recovery and he thanks everyone for their sympathy and prayers and for helping in the Church while he is incapacitated.

**Cake Sale**

Cake Sale after 10.00 mass next Sunday 20th May.

**GK Chesterton**

Talk by Canon John Udris who is investigating the Cause for his Beatification. 19.00-21.00, 14th June 2018. For a free ticket contact Centre for Catholic Formation 020 8672 7684, 21 Tooting Bec Road.

**We don't see things as they are,  
we see them as we are**

Anaïs Nin

**Last Week's Finances**

Parish Collection £494.82, Bankers Orders £384

**Upcoming Second Collections**

13th May World Communications. 3rd June Salesian Sisters Mission Appeal, 10th June Catholic Trust Rotas

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

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

**Little Church:** J & N Neligan, A Mann n/w R&S Jackson  
**Tiny Church:** T Brine n/w R Barros

**Flowers:** V Barkho n/w A Oliva

**Royal Hospital:** Anna Vanotti, Maria Lewis n/w A Robbins

**Maintenance team:** 11.00 Sat 12th May, 9th June