



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th October 2019

Jesus! Master! Take pity on us

Mass Times

- 12th Sat St Wilfrid**
9.30
10.00 Confessions
17.30 Mary Byrne +
- 13th Sun Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 Julian N. Kato +
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 14th Mon Feria**
9.30 Tim Sweeney Wellbeing
- 15th Tue St Teresa of Avila**
9.30 All Souls
- 16th Wed St Margaret Mary**
9.30 Peter Jones +
- 17th Thu St Ignatius of Antioch**
9.30
- 18th Fri St Luke**
9.30 Paz Delos Santos +
- 19th Sat Feria**
9.30 Paula Payabyab +
10.00 Confessions
17.30 Giuseppe Vanedola +
- 20th Sun Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 Julian N. Kato +
15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

Sunday Readings: Year C **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

Cycle of Prayer, Autumn:

Students and Teachers, Spread of the Gospel, Harvest,
Fruits of Human Work & Reverent use of Creation,
Victims of War, Young People, Prisoners & their Families

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Mark

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



The Ten Lepers

The Difference

I got up early one morning
and rushed right into the day;
I had so much to accomplish,
I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just tumbled about me
and grew heavier with each task;
Why doesn't God help me, I wondered;
He answered, "You didn't ask."

I wanted to see joy and beauty,
but the day toiled on, grey and bleak;
I wondered why God didn't show me
- He said, "But you didn't seek."

I tried to come into God's presence;
I used all my keys at the lock;
God gently and lovingly chided,
"My child, you didn't knock."

I woke up early this morning
and paused before entering the day;
I had so much to accomplish
that I had to take time to pray.

First Holy Communion 2020



Please take a form from the table at the back of the Church if you wish to enrol your child for First Communion classes and return to the parish office by 31st October with a copy of the child's Baptism Certificate. The children must be in Year 3 or above.

Classes will be at 16.00 on the following Saturdays: 9th November, 14th December, 11th January, 8th February, 7th March, 28th March, 25th April (First Confession) 9th May, 6th June (Practice) and the First Holy Communion will be on 13th June. The idea is that the children come to the classes and then join in the 17.30 Saturday evening mass. Parents should attend on 9th November for the first half an hour so that organisational matters can be clarified.

We build too many walls and not enough bridges

Sir Isaac Newton

World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday and we will be taking up a second collection for the work of Missio.

A Celebration of Parish Life

During the 175th anniversary of the Parish we had a special evening with a wide range of entertainment provided by a number of Parishioners for the enjoyment of the whole Parish. On Saturday 8th February we plan to hold a similar occasion to celebrate the wide range of talents that our people have. We invite everyone to consider contributing to the evening whether it be song, music, performance, drama, spoken word, dance, cultural activity or anything else that celebrates the life of our Parish.

Eucharistic Ministers

The time has come for Eucharistic Ministers to renew their criminal record check. Please pick up the letter at the back of the church and contact the Parish Office, the Secretary will explain the process.

Day of Recollection

The Annual Day of Recollection for Eucharistic Ministers and Readers is on Saturday 26th October 10.30-15.00 at St Boniface, Tooting.

Truth suffers, but never dies

Teresa of Avila

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council 3rd December
Christmas Dinner 7th December
Penitential Service 16th December
Carol Service 22nd December
Feast of St Thomas à Becket 29th December
Celebration of Parish Life 8th February

Gift Aid

Our parish treasurer Rupert Jackson-Cousins speaking at all the masses this weekend about our parish finances and the importance of Gift Aid. Forms are available so that parishioners can contribute to our Offertory Collections by means of Banker's Order or Envelope so that the parish can reclaim the Gift Aid.

Sunday Teas and Coffees

Please remember that tea and coffee is served in the Corry Hall after 10.00 Sunday mass. It is a good occasion to meet your fellow parishioners.

New Parishioners

If you are new to the Parish please ensure that you complete a registration form which is available at the back of the Church. You are most welcome here at St Thomas à Becket and also to our primary school St Joseph's in Oakhill Road.

Urgent Need

A patient in the Royal Hospital has been returned to his home in the Cape Verde Islands and his sister has had to give up her job to care for him full-time at home. If anyone would like to help them financially then contributions will be forwarded by Fr Alex.

Canonisation of Cardinal Newman

Between Sunday 6th and Sunday 27th October 2019, St George's Cathedral in Southwark will be displaying a relic of Blessed John Henry Newman, who will be canonised in Rome on Sunday 13th October 2019. In addition, a Mass will be celebrated in honour of Newman's canonisation by Archbishop John Wilson on Sunday 27th October at 11.30.

There is no greatness where there is not simplicity, goodness, and truth

Leo Tolstoy

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £597 Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

Missio 20th October, Organ Fund 27th October, Archbishop's Administration Fund 10th November, Catholic Youth Work 24th November, Organ Fund 1st December

Rotas

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

Readers: Sat: E De Souza, M Slade Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy, n/w Sat: R & S Jackson M Slade

M Slade Sun: A Burnett, T Greetham, A Kane Blanes

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

Little Church: A Kane Blanes, C Webb n/w A Kilcawley, A Stacey

Tiny Church: J. Bronicka Anderson n/w E Lueth

Flowers: L Northeast n/w A Robbins

Royal Hospital: Sr Pauline n/w C Kawesi

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 9th November