



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th August 2020

Get behind me Satan!

Mass Times

- 29th Sat The Passion of St John the Baptist**
9.30 No Mass
17.30 Tim Nolan+
- 30th Sun Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 Denis Nolan +
- 31st Mon St Aidan & Saints of Lindisfarne**
9.30 People of the Parish
- 1st Tue Feria**
9.30 Irene Barber +
- 2nd Wed Feria**
9.30 Cathy Desmond +
- 3rd Thu St Gregory the Great**
9.30
- 4th Fri St Cuthbert**
9.30
- 5th Sat Feria**
9.30
17.30 Kay Nolan +
- 6th Sun Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10.00 Kevin Kelly +

Confessions:

By Appointment

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

Cycle of Prayer, Ordinary Time Autumn:

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

Next Week's Liturgy Group: John

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.

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.

**Please wear a face mask
while in Church**

Offertory Collection

During the lockdown the parish has lost about £500 per week in the cash element of the Offertory Collection. This comes to about £7,500 while our expenses have remained more or less the same as before. Because of recent legislation we are also facing a major reduction in income from our mobile phone mast. **Please therefore consider increasing your Offertory contribution to help us make up this shortfall.** Thank you for your support in this and in many other ways.

**The only mistake in life
is the lesson not learned**

Albert Einstein



First Communion Classes New Dates

We propose to restart our First Communion classes on 5th September with a rehearsal on 12th and the actual First Communions taking place on 19th or 20th September. Obviously, if there is a further lockdown then these dates will have to be changed.

Little Church

As we are in the holiday period, we will not be having Little Church until September.

**Don't judge each day
by the harvest you reap
but by the seeds that you plant**

Robert Louis Stevenson

Prayer of St Alcuin of York (730-804)

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts,
Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil,
Eternal Power, be our support,
Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance,
Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us;
that with all our heart and mind
and soul and strength
we may seek thy face
and be brought by thine infinite mercy
to thy holy presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council 8th September
First Communion 19th/20th September
Quiz Night 24th October
Feast of St Thomas à Becket.....29th December

Offertory Envelopes

Please pick up a new box of Offertory Envelopes if you use them, they are at the back of the Church. If you would like to start using Offertory Envelopes please sign the sheet which is placed near the Envelopes and take a box.

Major Exhibition at the British Museum on St Thomas à Becket in October

The assassination of Thomas Becket, in Canterbury Cathedral, on 29th December 1170 changed the course of history. Becket was one of the most powerful figures of his time, serving as royal Chancellor and later as Archbishop of Canterbury. Initially a close friend of King Henry II, the two men became engaged in a bitter dispute that culminated in Becket's shocking murder by knights with close ties to the king.

Marking the 850th anniversary of this dramatic crime, this major exhibition will present Becket's tumultuous journey from a London merchant's son to Archbishop, and from a revered saint in death to a 'traitor' in the eyes of Henry VIII, over 350 years later.

Get up close to the man, the murder and the legend through an incredible array of objects associated with Becket, including medieval stained glass, manuscripts, jewellery and sacred reliquaries. It will feature artefacts from the Museum's collection as well as important loans from other major collections from the UK and around the world.

**Listen and attend
with the ear of your heart**

St. Benedict

Church Floor Works in September

Please note that daily mass will take place in the Corry Hall at 9.30 on Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th of September due to works on the Church floor. Please note there will be no mass on Thursday 10th September as the Hall is booked that day.

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £308.93, Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

6th Sept Organ Fund, 13th Sept Organ Fund.

Rotas

Readers: Sat: E & N Falcone, E De Souza, 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, C Kawesi Sun: D Lyons L Delos Santos, J Cato n/w Sat: D McGavin C Kawesi Sun: R Nwodo P Fahy R McMullan

Flowers: V Barkho n/w A Oliva

Royal Hospital: A. Vanotti, M Lewis n/w A Robbins

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 12 September