



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

23th February 2020

Love your enemies

Mass Times

22nd Sat The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

9.30 Aniceto Delos Santos +
10.00 Confessions
17.30

23rd Sun Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

10.00 Leoneda Vuletin Dufer +
15.00 (Royal Hospital) People of the Parish

24th Mon Feria

9.30

25th Tue Shrove Tuesday

11.00 Funeral of Ellen Gray

26th Wed Ash Wednesday

9.30 Albert Isaac Wellbeing
19.00 Wilson Family Intentions

27th Thu Feria

9.30 Mary Neligan +

28th Fri Feria

9.30

29th Sat Feria

9.30
10.00 Confessions
17.30

1st Sun First Sunday of Lent

10.00 Lolita Delos Santos Thanksgiving
15.00 (Royal Hospital) People of the Parish

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

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

Cycle of Prayer, Ordinary Time before Lent:

Peace on Earth, Justice and Peace in the World, Christian Unity, Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat It, The Sick and Those who Care for Them, The Unemployed

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Matthew

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



The Weaver

My life is but a weaving
Between my God and me.
I cannot choose the colours
He weaveth steadily.

Off' times He weaveth sorrow;
And I in foolish pride
Forget He sees the upper
And I the underside.

Not 'til the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Will God unroll the canvas
And reveal the reason why.

The dark threads are as needful
In the weaver's skilful hand
As the threads of gold and silver
In the pattern He has planned

He knows, He loves, He cares;
Nothing this truth can dim.
He gives the very best to those
Who leave the choice to Him."



First Communion Classes

The next First Communion classes take place on 7th March, 21st March, 25th April (First Confession) 2nd May, 16th May, 6th June (Practice) and the First Holy Communion will be on 13th June. Please note there have been some date changes. It is expected that the children will attend the 5.30 evening mass on the day of the classes so that the priest can address them.

**Man is too noble
to serve anyone but God**

Cardinal Wyszyński

The Passage

The Passage is a Christian Charity working with homeless people. Please support a St David's Day concert in aid of The Passage at Methodist Central Hall, Westminster on Friday 28 February at 19.00. The concert features the London Welsh Male Voice Choir with guest soloists Claire Jones (harp) and Aled Wyn Davies (tenor) and Guto Harri (Compère). Please book online through Eventbrite stdavidsday.eventbrite.co.uk. Full details to book are on the website www.passage.org.uk or tel 020 75921856 or email info@passage.org.uk

**It is better by far at rainbow's end
to find not gold
but the heart of a friend**



Soup Kitchen

St Mary Magdalen's Church, East Hill are starting a Soup Kitchen for the homeless on Tuesday nights beginning 17th March from 19.30-21.00. It takes place in their Parish Hall, 96 North Side, SW18 2QU. If anyone would like to help then contact the organiser on 07730 070403. People are needed to help the guests but also to cook food beforehand. It is being run under the auspices of the Knights of Malta.

Forthcoming Dates

Ash Wednesday..... 26th February
Concert..... 29th March
Concert.....29th April
Easter Sunday12th April

Ash Wednesday

There will be an additional mass on Ash Wednesday at 19.00. St Joseph's School will join us for mass at 9.30. NB it is a day of fasting and abstinence.



Weekly Offertory

Please consider increasing your weekly offertory contribution by at least £1 to help your parish meet its expenses. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Cake Sale

Cake sale raised £166. Thank you all for your support and generosity.

Catholic History Walks

RICHMOND: FRIDAY March 13th, 11am (note time, there is Mass at 10am) St Elizabeth's RC Church, The Vineyard, Richmond TW10 6AQ. Nearest Tube and main line train RICHMOND. We will explore the Old Palace (Henry VII, Henry VIII, Elizabeth I) and then walk along the river to St John Henry Newman's family home at Ham.

ISLINGTON: SUNDAY March 15th, 3.30pm at St John the Divine, Islington, London N1 8AL (nearest tube ANGEL). We will learn about the ancient shrine of Our Lady of the Oak, and a modern Catholic heroine, Caroline Chisholm.

No need to book, just turn up! Wear sensible clothing and shoes. Suggested donation: £10 per adult. www.catholichistorywalks.com

**I believe in Christianity
as I believe that the sun has risen:
not only because I see it,
but because by it I see everything else**

C.S. Lewis

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £424, Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

Today Poor Parishes, 1st March Organ Fund, 8th March Organ Fund.

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: A Oliva, E Falcone n/w F Azevedo, M Figueiredo

Readers: Sat: N Nolan, S Vas, E De Souza Sun: T Brown, A Harris, A Stacey n/w Sat: E De Souza, M Slade; Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: D McGavin, C Kawesi Sun: R Nwodo, P Fahy, R McMullan n/w Sat: D McGavin, K Smith Sun: G Donaldson, S Palmer, D Lyons

Flowers: A Oliva n/w L Northeast

Royal Hospital: A Robbins n/w Sr Pauline

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 14th March