



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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The Baptism of the Lord

10th January 2021

You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you

Mass Times

9th Sat	Feria of Christmas Time
	17.30 Beth Smith & Family
10th Sun	The Baptism of the Lord
	10.00 George Kehoe Wellbeing
11th Mon	Feria
	9.30 Sophie Hale
12th Tue	St Aelred of Rievaulx
	9.30 Winnie Finnerty Wellbeing
13th Wed	St Hilary
	9.30 Jane Downey +
14th Thu	Feria
	9.30
15th Fri	Feria
	9.30
16th Sat	Feria
	17.30 Bridie Lennon +
17th Sun	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
	10.00 Jane Downey +

Confessions:

By Appointment

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

Cycle of Prayer, Ordinary Time Before Lent

Peace on Earth, Openness to the Word of God, 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: Luke

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest

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



The Baptism of the Lord

A Prayer for the Baptism of the Lord

Open the heavens,
almighty Father,
and pour out your Spirit
upon your people gathered in prayer.

Renew the power of our baptismal cleansing
and fill us with zeal for good deeds.

Let us hear your voice once again,
that we may recognise in your beloved Son
our hope of inheriting eternal life.

Grant this through Jesus Christ,
your Word made flesh,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
in the splendour of eternal light,
God for ever and ever.

Amen.

From Memorials upon Several Occasions

O God, who wouldest fold both heaven and earth in a single peace: let the design of thy great love lighten upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows; and give peace to thy Church, peace among nations, peace in our dwellings, and peace in our hearts; through thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**A wise man speaks
because he has something to say;
a fool because he has to say something**

Plato

St Mark's Gospel

In the Sunday liturgy we have switched to St Mark's Gospel. Copies of St Mark's Gospel are available at the back of the Church at £3.50 each. It is the shortest of the Gospels and you can comfortably read it in a couple of hours. Please take a copy.

Year of St Joseph

The Pope has proclaimed a Year of St Joseph running from 8th December 2020 to 8th December 2021. It is in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St Joseph as patron of the Universal Church.

A Prayer for Reconciliation

Gracious God,
ruling the earth and its people
not by terror but in love;
we worship you.

We confess that too often
our words hurt others
and our deeds are selfish;
forgive us.

In this time of uncertainty and fear,
help us to love our enemies
and do good to those who hate us,
in the name of Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from Monday 18th January to Monday 25th January.

**Let us always guard our tongue;
not that it should always be silent,
but that it should speak at the proper time**

Saint John Chrysostom

Exhibition at the British Museum

The postponed exhibition on St Thomas à Becket at the British Museum will now take place from 22nd April to 22nd August 2021.

Forthcoming Dates

Confirmation..... 12.00 2nd May
First Communion..... 12.00 9th May

Feast of St Thomas à Becket

It has been difficult to arrange the Feast of St Thomas à Becket this year due to the Coronavirus so we have decided to postpone it to the New Year. Archbishop John Wilson has agreed to celebrate the mass and preach. We are now awaiting a date from him.



Organ Repairs

You can see photos of our organ repair work at [facebook.com/Henry Willis Organs](https://www.facebook.com/HenryWillisOrgans). There are several entries so scroll down the page and you will see what bad a condition it was in.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2021

Forms are available at the back of the Church for candidates to register for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2021. Please return them asap. Due to the lockdown restrictions we will hold the Confirmation Classes beginning on 22nd January by means of Zoom and we will inform First Communion Candidates how their classes will be conducted beginning on 23rd January.

Christmas Crib

As usual at this Season, all gifts at the Crib are given to The Children's Society. Please support this work as generously as you can.

Child Protection

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are in any role within the Catholic Church in England and Wales, you must refer allegations directly to the safeguarding office for your diocese or religious congregation, or directly to the Police. If you are a member of the public, please refer allegations directly to the police and also to the safeguarding office in your diocese. The Archdiocese of Southwark Safeguarding Office 0207 261 1606 or via email at safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk

**Ponder the fact that God
has made you a gardener,
to root out vice and plant virtue**

Saint Catherine of Siena

Forthcoming Second Collections

Sunday 10th January, SPUC White Flower Appeal

Rotas

Readers: Sat: De Souza, M Slade; Sun: G Fayers n/w Sat: R & S Jackson, M Slade; Sun: A Burnett, T Greetham, A Kane Blanes

Flowers: A Robbins n/w Violet Barko

Maintenance: 11.00 Saturday 13th February