

# MASS INTENTIONS

ALL MASSES ARE AT ST THOMAS'S CHURCH UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May *The MOST HOLY TRINITY (Year B)*

6:00pm	Eileen McSharry RIP (Birthday)
8:00am	People of the Parish
9:15am	Cyril Waite RIP (Anniversary)
11:15am	Bernard Page RIP (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
6:00pm	Elizabeth Waldron RIP
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Children who died in Palestine and Holy Land
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Izabela's Parents Zofia & Zdzislaw RIP
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Thanks to St Rita for prayers answered

## Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May *The VISITATION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*

12:00 noon	Constance Mary Edwards RIP (Birthday)
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## Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> *S Justin Martyr*

9:30am	Rupert Chetwynd RIP
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## Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> *Feria*

8:00am	Bernard Griffin RIP
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	Michelle McHugh (Birthday)

## Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> *SS Charles Lwanga & Comp, MM*

10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	Holy Souls
12:00 noon	Frank Griffiths RIP (Anniversary)

## Friday 4<sup>th</sup> *Feria*

8:00am	David Collen & Family Lockyer well-being
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> *S Boniface, B M*

9:30am	Holy Souls
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## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June *CORPUS et SANGUIS CHRISTI (Year B)*

6:00pm	Paul Duke, Prof. John Henry - in thanksgiving
8:00am	David & Colleen Lockyer & Family's well-being
9:15am	Christopher La Trobe RIP
11:15am	People of the Parish
6:00pm	Holy Souls
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Stan Kowalczyk RIP (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Mgr Dickens for his future and new Parish
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

### Mass Intentions

To book Mass Intentions you can use a Mass Intention envelope (put your donation inside) and hand it to a priest or pop it through the Presbytery letterbox, email Magda in the Office ([sevenoaks@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:sevenoaks@rcaos.org.uk)) and make an online donation, or call in to the Parish Office (Monday to Friday, 9:30am - 12:30pm).

### Gift Aid

Standing Orders: if you gift by Standing Order, there is a small bundle of special collection and 2nd collection envelopes for you at the church entrance. They are in a white envelope with your name and your parish Gift Aid number on. Please find yours and take it home.

Weekly Envelopes: if you gift using the weekly envelopes your blue box of envelopes is at the church Entrance with your name on it. Please find yours and take it home.

If you are shielding or can't get into church please contact me at [sevenoaksgac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:sevenoaksgac@rcaos.org.uk) or 07771945321 and I'll post yours to you.  
*Sean Corrigan*

### Prayers for the Sick

Our list is somewhat out of date. Please contact Magda in the Parish Office with names of the sick and housebound for inclusion in our regular Prayer List.

### Please pray

- for God's help to end the pandemic;
- for Canon Donnelly, founders and benefactors, and past and present parishioners of Most Holy Trinity, Oxford;
- for peace, reconciliation and justice for all in the Holy Land.

*St Roch, pray for us.*

*St Joseph, pray for us.*

*St Thomas of Canterbury, pray for us.*

*St Bernadette, pray for us.*

*St Edith of Kemsing, pray for us.*

### COVID stewards

To retain public Masses we are very dependent on (and very grateful to) a small number of stewards in each church. We need some more stewards to spread the work load: **if you can do this - some Sundays, not always - please volunteer; don't wait to be asked.**

# PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, SEVENOAKS

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## Today's Mass Readings: *The MOST HOLY TRINITY (Year B)*

*Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40; Psalm 32; Romans 8: 14-17; Matthew 28: 16-20*

**First Reading:** Moses asserts the Israelites' belief in monotheism, one God. We must not slip into the error of thinking of the Trinity as three Gods. Three Persons, but one God.

**Psalm:** as today's Feast is a contemplation of the very Godhead itself, today's *Psalm* is a hymn of praise, giving some of God's key attributes.

**Second Reading:** as is usually the case St Paul speaks not in a dogmatic way but draws out some of the practical implications of God being a Trinity: we are co-heirs with Christ as children of God, and it is the Holy Spirit which enables us to have a close relationship with the Father.

**Gospel:** the risen Lord gives the apostles (and through them, us) the command to Baptize the nations "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit", recalling chapter 3 of *Matthew* where the Son is Baptized, the Father speaks, and the Spirit descends, and as clear a reference to God the Holy Trinity as you will find in the Gospels

*Fr David*

## Notices

### Supply priests

We welcome Fr Bryan Wells for the 9:15am Mass at St Thomas's, and Mgr Matthew Dickens for the 9:30am Mass at Oxford. Mgr Matthew will also be present at the 11:15am Mass at St Thomas's, as we say 'thank you' and 'goodbye' on his last Sunday with us.

### First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Caleb Raguindin and Zavier Sankar, making their first Holy Communion at the 11:15am Mass.

### Most Holy Trinity, Oxford

Monday is the Solemnity of the Anniversary of Consecration (in 1981, forty years ago). Sadly the pandemic precludes the festivities we would have held.

### Bank Holiday Monday

Holy Mass at 12:00 noon at St Thomas's. The Parish Office is closed on Monday.

### Next Sunday: *Corpus et Sanguis Christi*

Holy Mass at the normal times in all four churches, but again we shall not be able to hold the traditional Processions of the Blessed Sacrament because of COVID restrictions.

### Baptisms

To have a child Baptized, obtain a green application form (from any of the four churches), fill it in, and return it to the Presbytery. Please read the information - especially about godparents - carefully.

### Holy Communion at home

If you used to receive Holy Communion at home or in a home, or now wish to do so, please contact Magda in the Parish Office, as within certain restrictions we can now resume this.

### Confessions

We can hear Confessions either before Mass (if there is plenty of time) or after Mass, or by appointment (email Fr Paul or me), taking careful COVID precautions.

### Quiet Day of Reflection

On Saturday 26th June at The Poul House barn, Ashes Lane, Hadlow TN11 9QU from 10.00 to 16.00, led by Gilly Fenner. Please bring a camping chair (or similar) and a packed lunch. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Please wear weather appropriate clothes and shoes as part of the day will be outside. Suggested contribution £5. Numbers are limited to 20. If you wish to attend please email Gilly at [gf58b@iCloud.com](mailto:gf58b@iCloud.com).

### Interested in becoming a school governor?

St Gregory's Catholic School in Tunbridge Wells, an Ofsted Outstanding school, is looking for new people to join a team of governors to help steer the school to ensure young people get the best possible education in a happy and safe environment. Want to find out more? Please drop an email to Chair of Governors, David Lain at: [davidlain@sgschool.org.uk](mailto:davidlain@sgschool.org.uk)

### A Lifeline for Marriages

Has Covid put you under more stress as a couple? Is your marriage stressed, unloving, cold? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, are you thinking about it? Do you want to try again? The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need! The next programme commences with a weekend on 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> July. For more information tel or text 0788 729 6983 or 0797 338 0443 (complete confidentiality assured.) or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com); [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk).