

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Sunday 4th July **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY (Year B)**

6:00pm	Teresa Kelly RIP
8:00am	People of the Parish
9:15am	Fr Peter Littleton
11:15am	Pat Reid RIP
6:00pm	Pasqualina Capozzi
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Betty Rodger RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	UCM Intention
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

Monday 5th **Feria**

8:00am	Missionary Priests
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Tuesday 6th **Feria**

9:30am	Christophe La Trobe
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Wednesday 7th **Feria**

8:00am	Marcus Wray RIP
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	Fr Paul - In gratitude for his ministry and wishing him every blessing in his new Parish

Thursday 8th **Feria**

10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	Chin Kimee Ayoung-Chee RIP
12:00noon	Fr Joe Andradi

Friday 9th **Feria**

8:00am	Timothy & Clea Andradi RIP
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

Saturday 10th **of Our Lady**

9:30am	Deacon Matthew Donnelly for his priestly Ordination on July 17 th
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Sunday 11th July **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY (Year B)**

6:00pm	Comfort for Izabell & Mark
8:00am	Thomas Mernoch RIP (Birthday)
9:15am	Fr Peter, as he starts his ministry in our Parish
11:15am	Fr Paul in his new Apostolate
6:00pm	Fr Peter
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Mary Scott RIP (anniversary)
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	People of the Parish
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

Latin Antiphons (for 8:00am Mass)

Entrance: Suscepimus, Deus, misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui. Secundum nomen tuum, Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terrarum; iustitia plena est dextera tua.

Communion: Venite ad me, omnes qui laboratis et onerati estis, et ego reficiam vos, dicit Dominus.

Comfort me in Suffering

Loving God, I pray that you will comfort me in my suffering, lend skill to the hands of my healers, and bless the means used for my cure. Give me such confidence in the power of your grace, that even when I am afraid, I may put my whole trust in you; through our Savior Jesus Christ.
Amen.

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Patience in Sickness

Lord Jesus Christ, by your patience in suffering you hallowed earthly pain and gave us the example of obedience to your Father's will. Be near me in my time of weakness and pain; sustain me by your grace, that my strength and courage may not fail; heal me according to your will; and help me always to believe that what happens to me here is of little account if you hold me in eternal life, my Lord and my God. Amen.

— *Book of Common Prayer Chapel Edition*

Eyes of Mercy

Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy. May Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

— *Cope by Faith*

Gift Aided Envelopes

If you gift by **standing order**, there is a small bundle of special collection and 2nd collection envelopes for you at the back of church. They are in a white envelope with your name and you Parish Gift Aid Number on. Please find yours and take it home.

If you gift using the **weekly** envelopes your box of envelopes is at the back of church with your name on it. Please find yours and take it home.

If you are shielding or can't get into church please contact Sean Corrigan at sevenoaksgac@rcaos.org.uk or 07771 945321 and he'll post yours to you.

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Today's Mass Readings: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY (Year B)

Ezekiel 2: 2-5; Psalm 122; 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10; Mark 6: 1-6

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First Reading: this is but one example of how throughout Old Testament times the people of God rejected the prophets he sent.

Psalm: let us sing or say this psalm in acknowledgement that we have at times rejected God and his messengers.

Second Reading: St Paul mentions the 'thorn in the flesh' he received, to stop him becoming too proud. Maddeningly, we have no idea what this was.

Gospel: Jesus' inability to achieve much in His home town, because of their unbelief, poses challenging questions to us as a parish, as a community of faith. Do we truly have faith in Jesus Christ? Do we recognise him when He comes among us? Are we open to Christ working in our midst?

Fr David

Notices

New Assistant Priest and supply priest

We welcome our new Assistant Priest, Fr Peter Littleton, for his first weekend among us. He can be contacted via the Presbytery phone or by email at peterlittleton@rcaos.org.uk. Fr Bryan Wells celebrates the Mass at Oxford today.

First Holy Communions

Bethany Hogan and Jenna Betts will make their first Holy Communion at the 11:15am Mass.

Second Collection

The second collection today is for Fr Paul, as a thankyou and farewell gift for his 4½ years of ministry and service in this parish.

St Thomas' School PTA raffle

Tickets (£2 each) will be on sale after Masses today. The draw will take place on Wednesday 7th July and prizes include a voucher to enjoy some of the delicious food from Kay's Kitchen, a bespoke silhouette painted by the talented Sophie Wootton Borruso, a lovely box of Liz Earle hair and skin products, 8 hours of 11+ tuition with Peasy Learning, a signed copy of the Runaway Robot donated by the Sevenoaks Bookshop, an A4 pet watercolour painting by Hannah Barritt, a memory foam pillow, a fun summer wine hamper and a very cute mojito hamper!

Anita Stockmann RIP

Anita's Funeral Mass is on Tuesday at 12:00 noon in St Thomas's. Caroline Stockmann would welcome any parishioners who would like to support her by attending her mother's funeral, given many of the family are unable to attend due to living overseas. Do feel free to attend if you would like to.

Holy Matrimony

The Wedding of Tommy Seddon and Camille Yvon takes place on Saturday in Chevening Church.

Second Collection next weekend

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for those who live and work at sea. The second collection will be for Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St Thomas's: Mondays after Holy Mass - 9:30am.

Most Holy Trinity, Oxford: Thursdays 7:30pm - 8:30pm, Fridays 11:00am - 12:00 noon.

St Bernadette's, West Kingsdown: suspended this Wednesday.

Parents & Toddlers

The Parents and Toddlers Group is now looking for volunteers to take over the running of the group from September as the current leaders' children will move on to preschool. These could be parents or any member of the parish community who would like to volunteer and get to know the younger families. Many other playgroups in Sevenoaks are run by retired parishioners and both parents and volunteers benefit from this approach. For more information, please contact: Sophie Wootton Borruso on 07850 100881 or Catherine Bennett on 07712 702211.

Please pray

- for Elias Murphy, Baptized on Saturday;
- for Fr Paul as he moves to his new parish and for Fr Peter who is joining us;
- for God's help in ending the pandemic.