

# MASS INTENTIONS

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

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August *EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY (Year B)*

6:00pm (Sat)	All those travelling by road this summer
8:00am (Latin)	Timothy & Clea Andradi RIP
9:15am	People of the Parish
11:15am	Dec'd members of the Jones & Sausman family
6:00pm	Holy Souls
9:30am <i>Otford</i>	James (RIP), Gwen Farrell & Family
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	UCM Intention
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

## Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feria

8:00am	Benjamin Edwards (Birthday)
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## Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feria

9:30am	Justin Edwards
1:00pm	<i>Funeral Mass - John Hayden RIP</i>

## Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> *S John Vianney, Pr*

8:00am	Joseph & Josephine Brown RIP
10:00am <i>Otford</i>	Agnieszka & Krzysztof Drenda (Wedding Anniversary)
2:00pm	<i>Funeral Mass - Daniel Barton RIP</i>

## Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feria

10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	Holy Souls
12:00noon	Sylvia Parker RIP

## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> *The TRANSFIGURATION of the LORD*

8:00am	Gerald Mullan RIP
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls
2:30pm <i>Borough Green</i>	<i>Funeral Mass - Joseph Connor RIP</i>

## Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> *of Our Lady*

9:30am	Jacqueline Jones RIP
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## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August *NINETEENTH SUNDAY (Year B)*

6:00pm (Sat)	Christopher La Trobe RIP
8:00am (Latin)	Holy Souls
9:15am	Holy Souls
11:15am	Margaret Blundell RIP
6:00pm	Holy Souls
9:30am <i>Otford</i>	Matthew Scott RIP
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:** Deus, in auditorium meum intende; Domine, ad adiuvandam me festina. Adiutor meus et liberator meus es tu; Domine, ne moreris.

**Communion:** Ego sum panis vitae, dicit Dominus. Qui venit ad me non esuriat, et qui credit in me non sitiet.

## St Thomas' Catholic Primary School

St Thomas' School require an Office Administrator to run the day to day clerical and administrative functions of the school, under the management and guidance of the Senior Leadership Team. The work is varied and includes managing attendance and general administrative duties, such as filing, data entry, organisation of school trips, managing post, telephone enquiries, emails as well as liaising with parents/carers.

Previous experience in admin is essential; school office experience would be an advantage. To apply please contact KENT TEACH.

## Thank you

A big thank you to all of you who responded to my last appeal and generously donated food and other goodies to Sevenoaks Food Bank! It is immensely appreciated, especially in the summer months when we tend to forget the less fortunate.

*Isabelle Mercer*

## Please pray

- for the repose of the souls of John Hayden and Joseph Connor;
- for safe journeys for all on holiday and for the Dominican pilgrims;
- for God's help in ending the pandemic.

*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.*

**Please remember the sick who have been commended to our prayers, especially:**

Deidre Thomas, Ann Steven, Antonia Mroziuk and Lilian Spragg.

# PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, SEVENOAKS

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## Today's Mass Readings: *EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY (Year B)*

**1<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

*Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15; Psalm 77; Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24; John 6: 24-35*

**First Reading:** the manna from heaven - the bread which sustained the people of Israel in their pilgrimage to the Promised Land - is yet another foreshadowing in the Old Testament of the Eucharist, which nourishes us on our pilgrimage to heaven.

**Psalm:** by reciting the psalm of thanksgiving for the manna from heaven, we are giving thanks for the Eucharist we celebrate today.

**Second Reading:** following Christ means giving up one's old ways and instead putting on a new self, based on goodness and truth.

**Gospel:** Our Lord begins his lengthy teaching that He is the Bread of Life. Our belief in the Real Presence of Christ in Holy Communion is very much based on His teaching in *John* chapter 6.

*Fr David*

## Notices

### Visiting priest

Welcome to Fr Bryan Wells, offering the 9:15am Mass at St Thomas's today.

### Portiuncula Indulgence

A plenary Indulgence may be gained once today on the usual conditions: a visit to the Parish Church, praying the Our Father, Creed and prayer for the Holy Father's intentions, sacramental Confession, and Holy Communion.

### John Hayden RIP

John's body will be brought into St Thomas's Church on Monday at 4:00pm. His Funeral Mass is on Tuesday at 1:00pm. As the family mourners will be few, they have asked that parishioners might attend, to assist with the prayers etc.

### Daniel Barton RIP

Funeral Mass in St Thomas's at 2:00pm on Wednesday.

### Dominican pilgrims at Otford

A group of Dominican friars is recreating a walk from Ramsgate to Oxford undertaken in 1221, where they played a part in the foundation of the University, arriving on the Feast of the Assumption. They will be arriving in Otford on Thursday, where they will celebrate Vespers and Mass in Most Holy Trinity at 5:00pm. Parishioners are very welcome to join them. You can find out more about the Pilgrimage and about the Dominicans - celebrating 800 years of the English province - and how you can get involved by visiting <https://www.dominicanjubilee.com/>.

There will not be the usual Adoration that evening or on Friday.

### Joseph Connor RIP

Funeral Service in St Joseph's at 2:30pm on Friday. Parishioners of Borough Green are especially invited to attend.

### Next Sunday: Second collection at Most Holy Trinity

Last Sunday's mandatory Second Collection for the Columban

Missionaries was not taken at Otford. It will therefore be taken this Sunday; please put your donation in the plate as you leave.

### St Thomas' Repository

is now open for business again, for the usual items: cards, rosaries, etc. Please take care at the counter and maintain COVID precautions.

### St Joseph's garden work party

The next date is Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August after Mass. Please bring your own tools and gloves. If you have a strimmer and can help, that would be most appreciated.

### St Joseph's Ride & Stride

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September. If you can ride or stride, the sponsorship forms are now available; you can nominate St Joseph's to receive 50% of your sponsorship.. If not riding or striding perhaps you could be a welcomer on the day: see Margaret Briggs.

### RCIA Course

The RCIA course will start in September. This is a programme designed for adults (in our Parish we use the *Evangelium* course) who wish to be Baptized in the Catholic Church or (if already Baptized) Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Contact Andrew La Trobe ([andrew.latrobe@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.latrobe@gmail.com); 07775 738485) to enquire or to register for the course.

### The Pilgrims Coffee

On Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> August 9.30am Mass followed by coffee and cakes in the front garden or in the parish room. Please come and enjoy conversation and companionship!

### Another extract from a church Newsletter

*"Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help."*