

# MASS INTENTIONS

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

## SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (B)

6:00pm (Sat)	Good health of Marie Mascarenhas
8:00am (Latin)	Ella Doherty RIP & Pat Hume
9:15am	Anne Callaghan RIP
11:15am	Alice Brookes RIP
6:00pm	Johanna Sims RIP
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	People of the Parish
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Parish SVP
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Ron Ward RIP

## Monday 27<sup>th</sup> S Vincent de Paul, Pr

8:00am	People of Afghanistan
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## Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Feria

9:30am	Holy Souls
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## Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL

8:00am	Holy Souls
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	Holy Souls

## Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> S Jerome, Pr D

10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	Johnson Ayoung-Chee RIP
12:00noon	James José Martin Walker RIP

## Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October S Thérèse of the Child Jesus, V D

8:00am	Kathie & Urbano Gonzalez (50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Ella Doherty RIP & Pat Hume

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> The Holy Guardian Angels

9:30am	Holy Souls
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## SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY (B)

6:00pm (Sat)	Holy Souls
8:00am (Latin)	Cyril Waite RIP (Birthday)
9:15am	Tommy Hooks RIP
11:15am	John & Valerie Ingram In thanksgiving for 49 years marriage
6:00pm	Malcolm Lott RIP
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	People of the Parish
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	UCM Intention
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

## LATIN ANTIPHONS

**Entrance:** Omnia, quae fecisti nobis, Domine, in vero iudicio fecisti, quia peccavimus tibi, et mandatis tuis non oboedivimus; sed da gloriam nomini tuo, et fac nobiscum secundum multitudinem misericordiae tuae.

**Communion:** Memento verbi tui servo tuo, Domine, in quo mihi spem dedisti; haec me consolata est in humilitate mea.

## PLEASE PRAY

- ◆ for our parishes, apostolates, and schools in Southwark;
- ◆ for the success of the harvest, in thanksgiving for the fruits of human work, and for the reverent use of creation;
- ◆ for all who are ill or housebound.

## Opposing the Assisted Dying Bill 2021

Visit <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill-2021/> at the Bishops' Conference website for information on this Bill and what YOU can do. Bishop Richard Moth said in a Pastoral Letter last Sunday: "The Catholic Church remains opposed to any form of assisted suicide. It is a crime against human life and we cannot directly choose to take the life of another, even if they request it".

## Sevenoaks Counselling

AGM on Wednesday at 7:30pm at St Luke's Church, Eardley Road. Speaker: John Ellis on *From South Seas to Sevenoaks via COVID and Counselling*.

## Another extract from a church Newsletter

"Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered."

## The Bible Timeline Course

Understand the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this **free of charge**, worldwide-famous course delivered online LIVE by Mauro Iannicelli. Starts Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept; eight Wednesday sessions (7:00pm - 8:40pm). Info & Registration: [www.comeandsee.org](http://www.comeandsee.org).

## Courses offered by the diocesan Agency for Evangelization & Catechesis

### • Archbishop's Certificate

This course is for those in the parish involved in catechesis, adult formation or evangelization. It is a two year, blended learning course and starts on 9<sup>th</sup> October. Visit <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>.

### • Evangelium Online

A free Zoom course on Sunday evenings, beginning today; a refresher and overview of the Catholic faith. Register at <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/latest/evangeliumonlinecourse21-22>.

### • Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

A nationally recognised course, particularly for those involved in Catholic education as teachers, teaching assistants or governors. To find out more about this modular course (on which Fr David teaches) or to register: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs>.

# PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, SEVENOAKS

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## Today's Mass Readings: TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (B)

Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20; Psalm 53; James 3: 16 - 4:3; Mark 9: 30-37

**First Reading:** the parallels between Moses and Jesus are obvious; Jesus was consciously basing his ministry on that of Moses; in fact, Jesus is the new Moses. Moses is an Egyptian name meaning 'child of God'.

**Psalm:** this reminds us that God's law is perfect. If we find ourselves at odds with God's commandments, it we who are at fault, not God.

**Second Reading:** James issues a warning to the rich.. What makes things worse is when the rich gain their riches by injustice and oppression of the poor.

**Gospel:** Christ's severe words about cutting hands or feet off and tearing eyes out should be taken not literally but seriously. It is a very serious obstacle to our entering heaven if we are the cause of other people being prevented from entering heaven, by our words or by our immoral behaviour. *Fr David*

## NOTICES

### SVP Collection

The Second Collection is for the Parish SVP. This parish group relies totally on voluntary donations to carry out our work with the needy, the old, the sick and the housebound of the parish, of our local area and further afield (eg we support 3 villages in India and several Indian students and the SVP baby feeding centres in Sudan).

### Supply priests

Welcome to Fr Bryan Wells offering the 9:15am Mass at St Thomas's and to Fr David Howell offering the Masses at Borough Green and West Kingsdown.

### Second national Mass count

Stewards please count everyone at Mass and email the figures to Fr David.

### First Holy Communions

Theodore Cornwell receives his first Holy Communion at the Saturday 6:00pm Mass. Camilla Wills, William Livingston and Arthur Ruyant receive their first Holy Communion at the 11:15am Mass.

### 11:15am Mass

The Music Group provides the music today, for the first time since the first lockdown!

### Confirmation 'Awayday'

Our Confirmation candidates are at The Friars, Aylesford today. Their 'Awayday' ends with Holy Mass at 4:30pm.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St Thomas's

On Mondays after 8:00am Mass, until 9:30am and on Tuesdays, 6:00pm - 7:00pm.

### RCIA Course

Mondays at 8:00pm in the Parish Centre, for adults who wish to be Baptized 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. If you know someone who may be interested, invite them and come with them to the first session.

### St Thomas' School

Year 6 attend the 9:30am Mass on Tuesday.

### Rachel Pilkington RIP

Funeral Mass at 11:00am in St Thomas's on Wednesday, followed by Committal at the Bluebell Crematorium. The family would be grateful if some parishioners are able to attend the Funeral Mass.

### Friday: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

Observe the Fast Day on Friday, and put your donation in next Sunday's Second Collection. By donating to CAFOD you can help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis. CAFOD works with local experts to help people around the world to adapt to the changing climate and protect our common home. You can also donate on the CAFOD website and Gift Aid by using a CAFOD envelope.

### Parish Men's Day of Prayer

On Saturday, 10:00am - 4:00pm, at Most Holy Trinity, Otford, with registration/coffee at 9:30am. Take your own Lunch and bottle of water. The Day will be led by Fr Bryan Wells. For more information or to book contact Catherine Rodger ([c.rodger@btinternet.com](mailto:c.rodger@btinternet.com) or 01732 458852). Cost: £15; send an envelope marked 'Parish Day of Prayer' to the Parish Office with your cash or a cheque (payable to 'St Thomas' Church, Sevenoaks'

### St Gregory's Catholic School, Tunbridge Wells Open Mornings & Evening

For entry in September 2022. Open mornings (tours between 8:55am - 12:00 noon) Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Tours must be booked in advance, via the website: [www.sgschool.org.uk](http://www.sgschool.org.uk).

To obtain Fr David's signature on the Supplementary Form please email him to make an appointment. Please note that one criterion used is whether or not the family has registered in this parish.

### Mass at St Michael's (old) Church, East Peckham (TN12 5NG)

on Wednesday, Michaelmas Day, at 12:00 noon. Please share transport where possible as parking at the church is limited. Further enquiries by text message to 0755 4378228.