

MASS INTENTIONS

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

SUNDAY 24 th JULY	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
6:00pm (Sat)	Di Latter & Roger Sime
8:00am (Latin)	Holy Souls
9:15am	Peace in Ukraine
11:15am	People of the Parish
6:00pm	Holy Souls
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Mary Kelly RIP (Anniversary)
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	William Gallagher RIP
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls
Monday 25th S JAMES, Ap	
8:00am	Holy Souls
Tuesday 26th SS Joachim & Anne, Parents of BVM	
9:30am	John Farren RIP
Wednesday 27th Feria	
8:00am	Lester's safe eye surgery
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	Anna Mullan RIP
Thursday 28th Feria	
10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	All Parishioners
12:00noon	Fr John Logan RIP
Friday 29th SS Mary, Martha & Lazarus	
8:00am	Dec'd relatives of Andradi-Brown family
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	All Parishioners
Saturday 30th of Our Lady	
9:30am	Michael Mills RIP
SUNDAY 31st JULY	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
6:00pm (Sat)	Anna Mullan RIP
8:00am (Latin)	Fr Joe Andradi
9:15am	Fr Francis Capener RIP
11:15am	All the sick in the Parish
6:00pm	Peggy Murphy and her sister
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Matthew Scott RIP (50 th Anniversary)
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	People of the Parish
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Patrick Bunton RIP

Baptism

Welcome to

Calum O'Hanrahan

who was Baptized at
St Thomas's, Sevenoaks
last weekend.

*Lord God,
Creator of all things,
guide our steps and strengthen our
hearts.*

*We pray that during these months
of summer and vacation days
we will enjoy both
spiritual and physical renewal,
and find rejuvenating rest
for my mind and spirit
as well as enjoy relaxation
and respite for the body as well.
Thank You, Father,
in Jesus' name*

Amen

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

Peter Ringham, Deidre Thomas, Ann
Steven, Lilian Spragg, Jane Tabor, Ken
Holmes, Mary Scott, Sean Cloke and all
in care and nursing homes.

LATIN ANTIPHONS

Entrance

Deus in loco sancto suo; Deus qui
inhabitare facit unanimes in domo, ipse
dabit virtutem et fortitudinem plebi
suae.

Communion

Benedic, anima mea, Domino, et noli
oblivisci omnes retributiones eius.

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Today's Mass Readings: Seventeenth Sunday (Year C)

Genesis 18: 20-32; Psalm 137; Colossians 2: 12-14; Luke 11:1-13

24th July 2022

First Reading: a remarkable story about God's justice. It is remarkable that the author knows God's inner thoughts! It is remarkable that Abraham feels able to rebuke God! It is remarkable that God listens to him and changes his intentions!

What the story does is first to show that God is a just God, and secondly to show that indiscriminate collective punishment is contrary to justice, because it punishes the innocent.

Psalm: a song of praise to God, who answers our prayer.

Second Reading: Baptism is a dying (to sin) and a rising (to new life in and with Christ).

Gospel: following Mary's good example of listening to Christ comes Jesus' teaching on prayer. First is *Luke's* version of the Lord's Prayer (we use *Matthew's* in the daily liturgy), followed by a sort of parable on petitionary prayer (that is, urgently asking God for things).

A discussion group could focus on what things are the same in both versions in *Luke* and *Matthew*. Or it could consider the differences, and what they teach us.

Fr David

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First Holy Communions

We welcome Celestine Disant, Jakub Budz, and Freya Ewen-Gibbs who are receiving Holy Communion for the first time at the 11:15am Mass today.

The Pilgrims: visit to Worth Abbey

On Wednesday 7th September, by coach. Experience the calm of Mid-day Prayer, listen to a talk on Benedictine spirituality, and walk in the beautiful grounds. Cost £28 per person; coffee/tea and buffet Lunch provided in the Retreat House. To register sign up on the list in the Entrance, phone 01732 450197 or email ac.jbpembroke@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK

Fr Peter

is away this week on a break, returning on Saturday evening.

Parish Office

The Office is closed this week, as Magda is on holiday. Fr David will deal with routine things like booking in Mass Intentions.

Finance Committee

Meets on Thursday evening at 8:00pm in the Presbytery.

Holy Matrimony

The Wedding of Dinos Carserides and Charlene Adaken is on Friday at 2:00pm in St Thomas's.

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Most Holy Trinity, Oxford

The car park is to be resurfaced, and the work will commence on Monday 1st August. You can park in the street outside, so there should not be a problem about attending the Wednesday Mass and the Adoration periods that week.

Parish Retreats at Aylesford

The **Men's Retreat** is 7th – 9th October led by Fr Hugh Seenan, M Afr. The theme is *journeying together* based on Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'*.

The **Women's Retreat** is on 24th – 26th February 2023, facilitated by Sr Aileen Murphy, RLR. The theme is *welcoming the wilderness, amazing space, amazing grace*.

The cost of each Retreat is £210, including full board, lodging and the retreat conductor. Fill in a registration form (in the Entrance or download from the website); non refundable deposit £20. Queries contact Catherine Rodger: c.rodger@btinternet.com.

Finance

The June First Collection (including cash, Standing Orders and card reader contributions) totalled £10,700.00. The Second collection for CaTEW was £159.93 and for the Day for Life £301.20. Thank you for your generosity.