

MASS INTENTIONS

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

SUNDAY 7th AUGUST	NINETEENTH SUNDAY (C)
6:00pm (Sat)	In thanksgiving
8:00am (Latin)	Timothy & Clea Andradi RIP
9:15am	Brian & Bobbie Coughlan - Golden Wedding
11:15am	Michael Mills RIP
6:00pm	End of the Pandemic
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	James Healey RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	More vocations to the Sacred Priesthood
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Doreen Mary Hams RIP
Monday 8th	S Dominic, Pr
8:00am	Joseph & Josephine Brown RIP
Tuesday 9th	S TERESA BENEDICTA of the CROSS, V M Patron of Europe
9:30am	Michael Mills RIP
Wednesday 10th	S LAWRENCE, Dcn M
8:00am	Nellie Mannion RIP
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	Elaine Slattery - good health
Thursday 11th	S Clare, V M
10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	William Gallagher RIP
12:00noon	Teresa Mooney RIP
Friday 12th	Feria
8:00am	Reparation for the sin of abortion
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Patrick Bunton
Saturday 13th	of Our Lady
9:30am	Mgr Boniface Tamani
5:00pm	<i>First Vespers and Marian Consecration</i>
SUNDAY 14th	The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
6:00pm (Sat)	Peggy La Trobe RIP
8:00am (Latin)	People of the Parish
9:15am	Fr John Hartley RIP
11:15am	Peggy La Trobe RIP
6:00pm	Peace and reconciliation in Ukraine
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Lawrence Joseph Murphy RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Reparation for the sin of abortion
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Pregnant women in difficulties

LATIN ANTIPHONS for Sunday 8:00am Mass

Entrance

Respice, Domine, in testamentum tuum,
et animas pauperum tuorum ne
derelinquas in finem. Exsurge, Domine,
et iudica causam tuam, et ne obliviscaris
voces quaerentium te.

Communion

Panis, quem ego dedero, caro mea est
pro saeculi vita, dicit Dominus.

**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,
Francis Easterbrook
and all in care and nursing homes.

Please pray for

Mary Varley
and all who have died.

A PRAYER BEFORE MEALS

Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts
which we are about to receive from
your goodness.

Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

AN ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having
offended You, and I detest all my sins
because of Your just punishments, but
most of all because they offend You,
my God, who are all-good and
deserving of all my love.

I firmly resolve, with the help of Your
grace, to sin no more and to avoid the
near occasion of sin.
Amen.

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

Wisdom 18: 6-9; Psalm 32; Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19; Luke 12: 32-48

First Reading: this passage looks back to the original passover, when God rescued the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt. Those who put their trust in God will not be disappointed.

Psalm: those who hope and trust in the Lord will be happy.

Second Reading: this looks back to Abraham and his unshakeable faith in God; thus we call him 'our father in faith'.

Gospel: Jesus tells us to be alert and ready for 'the wedding feast', by which He means His second coming. We must be ready for His return at any moment, but we must also allow for a delay. We do not know when Christ will come again.

Fr David

First Holy Communion

Welcome to William Durcan, receiving first Holy Communion at the 9:15am Mass, and to Sofia De Simone, receiving first Holy Communion at the 11:15am Mass.

THIS WEEK

Fr David

is back in the parish from Wednesday onwards.

First Holy Communion

Welcome to Tomasz Kowalczyk, receiving first Holy Communion at the 8:00am Mass on Friday.

Marian Consecration

First Vespers of the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady and Marian Consecration on Saturday at 5:00pm. Everyone - not only those who have participated in the Marian Consecration Novena - is invited to come to this devotion.

Next Sunday

is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, transferred under the rules from its customary date of 15th August. Musicians and readers please note: it will not be the 19th Sunday of Year C.

NOTICES

Monsignor Boniface Tamani

remains with us until Sunday 22nd August. He is the Vicar-General of the Archdiocese of Blantyre in Malawi. We are grateful for his assistance at this time. Meanwhile Fr Kenneth is still waiting for his Nigerian passport!

The Pilgrims Afternoon Tea

Catherine Brown and Ben Andradi invite you to a garden tea at their home at 17 Knole Way, Sevenoaks, on Friday 19th August at 2:30/2:45pm. Please reply to Jackie Pembroke on 01732 450197, and also let her know if you would like a lift or can take someone else.

7th August 2022

Parish Faith Cells

Parish Cells are small groups of parishioners who will meet together for 6 - 10 weeks. Each meeting will involve a meal or refreshments, watching a short video, and reflecting on and sharing our faith. The pilot cell groups have proved highly popular.

To join speak to a Parish Cell co-ordinator, sign up on the parish website, or email sevenoaksfaithcells@rcaos.org.uk. The parish has purchased access to Formed.org, an outstanding catalogue of resources for the faith cells to use.

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.

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.

Sharing the Church's Story

The diocesan Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis has 50 tickets (£51 each) available for the Sharing the Church's Story conference on 17th September 2022 at the Friends Meeting House in Euston. Bishop Robert Barron and other speakers will explore the place of Catholicism in these times. Buy tickets to join the group from Southwark: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/store/p/ctcs-cv2022>.