

MASS INTENTIONS

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

SUNDAY 21st	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY (C)
6:00pm (Sat)	Wellbeing of Jan Golda (Birthday)
8:00am (Latin)	Holy Souls
9:15am	Paul Stephens RIP
11:15am	Jean O'Donnell RIP
6:00pm	People of the Parish
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Angela & Barry Griffiths RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Holy Souls
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Good health and wellbeing of the Gobel family
Monday 22nd	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00am	Reparation for the sin of abortion
Tuesday 23rd	SS John Wall & John Kemble, Pr, MM
9:30am	Judy West RIP
Wednesday 24th	S BARTHOLOMEW, Ap
8:00am	Holy Souls
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	Deceased members RIP: Knight & Wilson families
Thursday 25th	Feria
10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	Johnson Ayoung-Chee RIP
12:00noon	Rita Tildesley RIP
Friday 26th	Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Pr
8:00am	Ruth Salt RIP
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Fr Patrick O'Leary RIP
Saturday 27th	S Monica
9:30am	Joan Grant RIP
SUNDAY 28th	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY (C)
6:00pm (Sat)	Fr Peter Farmer RIP
8:00am (Latin)	Good intentions of the donor's family
9:15am	Holy Souls
11:15am	Holy Souls
6:00pm	People of the Parish
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Richard Knight RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Reparation for the sin of abortion
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Peter & Stephanie Catherwood RIP

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.

Baptism

Welcome to

Laura Stamalchowska-Malec

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

~ St Joseph's Quiz Night

On Saturday 1st October, 7:30pm start. Maximum of 6 persons per table, either make up your own team or join with others on the night. Tickets - £10 to include a Ploughman's Supper - from Jenny (07591 301186) or Margaret (01732 885295). Bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles; proceeds to St Joseph's funds.

St Bernadette Relic Tour

The relics of St Bernadette will be at The Friars, Aylesford (ME20 7BX) between 7:00pm on 24th October and 1:00pm on 28th October. You can now book to visit the relics at <https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/>.

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS)

This is a knowledge-based, internationally recognised qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith. It enhances the understanding that education within the Church is a life-long process which leads to greater intimacy with Jesus Christ. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a manner that is captivating, inspiring, and applicable. The CCRS is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make an informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of ministry within the Church. Visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information. Modules begin on 13th September.

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Today's Mass Readings: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY of the YEAR (C)

21st August 2022

Isaiah 66: 18-21; Psalm 116; Hebrews 12: 5-7 11-13; Luke 13: 22-30

First Reading: not only will God go beyond the Jewish people and gather people in from all the nations, some of these foreigners may even become priests and Levites!

Psalm: people from all the nations will praise God.

Second Reading: our sufferings can be compared to the educational or sports training sons receive from their fathers. It is not always pleasant at the time, but it bears fruit in the end.

Luke reminds us in today's **Gospel** of Jesus' journey up to Jerusalem, the urgency of Jesus' message, and the response it demands. The parable warns that there will be those who are invited but who fail to act in time. They will be replaced by people from other nations.

Fr David

Holy Matrimony

The Wedding of Alexander Baker and Abigail Thornhill is at 2:00pm today at St Thomas's.

Monsignor Boniface Tamani, VG

Sadly today is the last day Fr Boni is with us. We thank him for his all too short time with us, and God and Visa authorities willing we shall see him for a longer time next year.

THIS WEEK

Fr Peter

is away this week, until Saturday.

First Holy Communion

We welcome Maddie Lumsden, receiving Holy Communion for the first time at the 12:00pm Mass in St Thomas's on Thursday.

NOTICES

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.ibpembroke@gmail.com.

Outing to Canon John Bailey's grave

On Saturday 24th September, the coach will leave St Bernadette's at 9:30am. After visiting the grave to pray and lay flowers there will be Holy Mass in St Theresa's Church, Northiam. After Mass there will be a visit to the seaside. Return by 6:00pm. Cars may be left at St Bernadette's. Cost per seat £20, in cash or by cheque (payable to 'RCAS Sevenoaks St Bernadette'), to Monica Biggs (mmdbbiggs@outlook.com). We still have free places. All parishioners, not just those at West Kingsdown, and indeed anyone who would like a day out, are welcome.

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. There is no commitment at this stage. The parish has purchased access to Formed.org, an outstanding catalogue of resources for the faith cells to use.

Advance Notices

~ St Edith Devotions

The St Edith Devotions will this year take place on her feast day itself, Sunday 18th September. The usual Devotions, including the Holy Rosary, at St Edith's Well in Kemsing at 3:30pm, followed by Vespers in St Mary's Church. Refreshments in The Bell afterwards. Book the date in your diary now.