

LENTEN PROGRAMME FOR 2023

Tuesday evening from 28 February to 4 April
Food served from 7:30 - sessions finish by 9:00

SYCAMORE

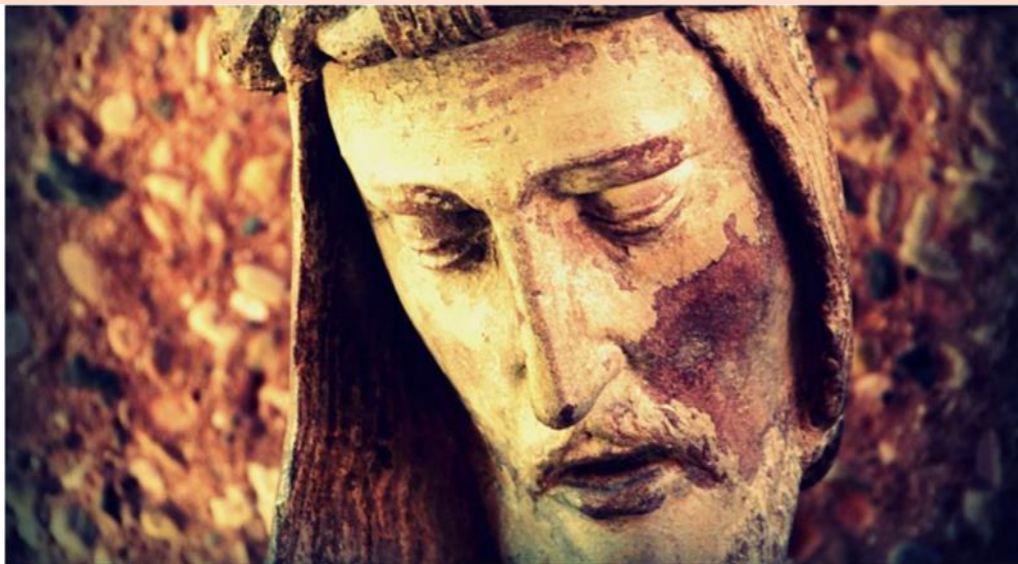
Each year our Parish tries to offer a Lenten Program to help us deepen our faith. This year we are pleased to announce the return of Sycamore. The format comprises a light meal, short video presentations and an opportunity for small group chat. The material is curated by our own, and much beloved, London Priest Fr Stephen Wang, who now works in Rome.

“Living the Christian Faith in the World”

- (1) CREATION, FALL, SALVATION - The goodness of creation. Suffering and sin. The gift of salvation.
- (2) THE MEANING OF LOVE - What is love? How to love your neighbour. Knowing the love of God.
- (3) FINDING TRUE FREEDOM - Is there such a thing as right and wrong? Where can we find moral guidance? How do you discover your true identity?
- (4) FORGIVENESS, HEALING AND MISSION - Forgiveness and the Sacrament of Confession. Healing and the Sacrament of the Sick. Christian mission and the call to share our faith.
- (5) THE SOCIAL TEACHING OF THE CHURCH - The dignity of the human person and the right to life. Christian teaching about family and society. Speaking the truth and following conscience.
- (6) THE CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS - The meaning of vocation. Marriage and family life. Ordination and consecrated life.

See <http://www.sevrcparish.org.uk/> for registration or hand in completed form to Parish secretary

Thursday evening from 2nd March to 23rd March
Refreshments from 7:00pm, talks at 7:30pm
‘Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return’



With these words Ash Wednesday encourages us to return to the beginning, to take a step back and gain perspective over our lives and over our faith to prepare ourselves for Easter. Make the most of your Lent by coming to these Lenten talks and prepare well for Easter.

March 2nd: ‘Getting the Most out of Lent’. Fr Matthew O’Gorman, Parish Priest of Corpus Christi, Brixton Hill, will base his talk on the powerful witness of St Catherine of Siena. How can she help us to get the most out of Lent?

March 9th: ‘Signs of Hope in a broken world’. Sr Dr Gemma Simmonds CJ, Fellow of the Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology, Cambridge. In a world rife with injustice and conflict how do we find hope this Lent?

March 16th: ‘Consolation of the Cross’. Fr Lawrence Lew OP, Prior and Parish Priest of St Dominic’s Priory, Haverstock Hill. He reflects on the consolations we receive from our Crucified Saviour.

March 23rd: ‘Preparing for Holy Week’. Fr Tom Lynch, PP of English Martyrs, Strood. Holy Week is the most important and sacred week for Christians throughout the world. How do we prepare for it?



Archdiocese of
Southwark

PARISH OF ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY SEVENOAKS

CHURCHES IN SEVENOAKS, OTFORD,
BOROUGH GREEN AND WEST KINGSDOWN



Parish Newsletter

19th March 2023



Today’s Mass: FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT (Year A)

1 Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13, Psalm 22, Ephesians 5: 8-14, John 9: 1-41

Another long **Gospel** from St John this week, chosen to enlighten the elect who have their second Scrutiny today. The man born blind is healed by Jesus, and, after an altercation with the Pharisees, comes to believe that Jesus is the Lord. It takes a bit of time for the man to arrive at this belief; likewise those on the RCIA course must take time to come to full belief in Jesus Christ.

The theme of light is also to be found in the **Second Reading** – which says that those who are Baptized should “*be like children of the light*” – and in many of today’s prayers and antiphons.

First Reading: David is anointed king of Israel by Samuel. But notice that it is God who chooses David. The very well-known **Psalm** picks up references to shepherds (as David was), being guided by God (as David was), being anointed as the chosen one (as David was), and eternal life (as David presumably enjoys). David here is clearly a foreshadowing of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, the leader of His people, the Anointed One (the Messiah), and giver of eternal life.

Fr David

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY SEVENOAKS

Sunday Mass times:

Saturday
6:00pm

Sunday
8:00am (Latin)
9:15am (Children's Liturgy of Word)
11:15am
6:00pm

Weekday Mass times:

Monday 8:00am
Tuesday 9:30am
Wednesday 8:00am
Thursday 12:00noon
Friday 8:00am
Saturday 9:30am

Adoration:

Monday 8:30am - 9:30am
Tuesday 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 10:00am - 10:30am,
5:15pm - 5:45pm



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MOST HOLY TRINITY OTFORD

Mass times: Sunday 9:30am
(with Children's Liturgy of the Word)
Wednesday 10:00am
Holy Days of Obligation 10:00am
Adoration: Thursday 7:30pm - 8:30pm
Friday 11:00am - 12:00noon

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Mass times: Sunday 11:00am
Friday 10:00am
Holy Days of Obligation 11:00am
Adoration: Wed 12:00noon- 1:00pm

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GOD LOVES HIS CHILDREN MASS ACTIVITY FOR CHILDREN



OPEN MY
EYES

Jesus stops when he sees a man who has been born blind. Jesus puts paste on the man's eyes. When he washes it off, the man can see! Jesus helps us all to see clearly.

Word search

D	N	I	L	B
L	I	G	H	T
R	E	Y	E	S
O	P	E	N	E
W	A	Y	Q	E

Can you find these words from today's Gospel?

BLIND, OPEN,
SEE, WAY, LIGHT,
WORLD, EYES



Maze



Sometimes when we are worried it feels as though we can't see our way forward. Jesus our light will help us to see.

Jesus helps us see

Match the letters in the left eye to the letters in the right eye to make six words connected with eyes and seeing.

Eyes



I am glad I can see...

Draw in the lenses of the binoculars some of the things that you like to look at.



Answers: blink, spy, see, look, view, spot.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for all the beautiful things I can see. Help me to see the world and the people in it with your eyes. Help me to see with my heart and not just my eyes. Amen.

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Mondays, 11:30am at Star House, Star Hill Road

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PARISH NOTICES

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TODAY

Laetare Sunday

This mid Sunday in Lent is traditionally a day of a slight easing of the Lenten discipline. This is marked by the use of rose (a lighter shade of the Lenten violet) coloured vestments.

Mothering Sunday

On this day we remember, thank, and pray for all mothers. We also think of our Mother the Church, and the Mother Church of our diocese - St George's Cathedral - and invoke the intercession of Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

Second Collection

The Second Collection today is for the Poor Parishes Fund.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Oliver Wilson-Beales, receiving Holy Communion for the first time at the Mass at Most Holy Trinity, Oxford.

Second Scrutiny

At the 11:15am Mass at St Thomas's, those on this year's RCIA programme have their Second Scrutiny.

THIS WEEK

Solemnities

Two Solemnities occur this week. On Monday (transferred from Sunday because it can't be observed on a Sunday in Lent) is the Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the universal Church, and patron of our church in Borough Green. Holy Mass in St Thomas's at 8:00am.

On Saturday is the Annunciation of the Lord, otherwise known in England as Lady Day. Holy Mass in St Thomas's at 9:30am. At this Mass we genuflect during

the Creed at the words *and became man*, in acknowledgement that this Feast recalls the first act in the Incarnation of the Lord. This Mass is followed, as always on a Saturday, with the recitation of the Holy Rosary.

Monday: Listening to You

From 10:30am in the Parish Room, to midday. Anyone who has been bereaved - recently or a while ago - or feels the need to talk to someone who has been trained and has a sympathetic ear is welcome to come. No need to book, just turn up. Please pass on the invitation to anyone who might welcome this opportunity.

Tuesday: 9:30am Mass

Year 3 from St Thomas' School attend this Holy Mass.

Tuesday: Sycamore

In the Parish Centre: a light meal at 7:30pm, followed by videos and discussions. The subject this week is *Forgiveness, Healing and Mission*. See the back page for more details.

Thursday: Lent talk

The last in our series of Lent talks on the theme *'Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return'*. Refreshments from 7:00pm, talk 7:30 - 8:30pm. This week Fr Tom Lynch, Parish Priest of English Martyrs, Stroud, will talk on *Preparing for Holy Week*. More details on the back page.

Stations of the Cross

At Most Holy Trinity on Thursdays in Lent at 7:30pm.

At St Joseph's on Fridays at 6:00pm.

At St Bernadette's on Fridays at 7:30pm.

Childrens' Stations on Fridays at 3:30pm in St Thomas's.

At St Thomas's on Fridays at 8:00pm.

You can also pray the Stations - from each church - at home via the Parish website.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

At St Thomas's on Mondays after the 8:00am Mass, until 9:30am and on Tuesdays 6:00pm - 7:00pm.

At Most Holy Trinity on Fridays from 11:00am - 12:00 noon.

At St Bernadette's on Wednesdays 12:00 noon - 1:00pm.

PARISH AND OTHER NOTICES

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard in St Thomas's on Saturdays 10:00am - 10:30am and 5:15pm - 5:45pm. A priest will always hear your Confession before Mass (if there is time) or after Mass.

Next Sunday

British Summer time begins at 2:00am next Sunday. Please remember to put your clocks forward an hour on Saturday night, or you might miss Mass!

The Second Collection - at each church separately - will be for Easter flowers.

Next Sunday: 9:15am Mass

The choir from St Thomas' School will sing at this Mass next Sunday. All parents and family members of children at the school, and all parents of toddlers thinking about Primary School for their child, are especially invited to come to this Mass.

Next Sunday:

First Holy Communion Programme

Those involved are reminded of the Formation Session next Sunday at 3:00pm. Contact Fr Peter if you need more information.

NOTICES

Confirmation 2023

Attention all parents whose children are currently in Year 7 or above: Registration for this year's Confirmation Programme is now open. Please register online at www.sevrcparish.org.uk. A welcome meeting for parents, candidates and catechists will be held on Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 7:30pm.

Walk Through the Church

On Monday 27th March at 7:00pm Fr David will conduct his now traditional Walk Through the Church, for those on the RCIA programme. Any parishioner who would like to learn more about the various things in Catholic churches in general and about the things in St Thomas's in particular is very welcome to come along.

Traditional Choir

If you enjoy singing, would you consider joining the Traditional Choir, which has been providing music at St Thomas's for over 30 years? The Choir sings once a month at the 11:15am Mass and meets on a Thursday at 8:00pm for an hour, usually 2 or 3 times a month. In recent years it has consisted of sopranos and altos only. Some long-standing members have had to retire, and more singers are needed. Please come along to a practice and see if it is something you will enjoy. Contact me on 01732 454729.

Barbara Page

Collection counters

Two more collection counters are required to complete the team (so it only comes round every few weeks). Are you available on a weekday morning for a couple of hours and can you count? If so, please contact Magda in the Parish Office. Full training will be given.

St Thomas's Church Easter Clean

Easter is fast approaching and it would be wonderful to give our church a good spring clean. Do you have just one hour to spare on Thursday 30th March from 10:00 am to 11:00 am? No experience required, just enthusiasm to present Our Lord's House at its best for this most holy feast. Just turn up on the day (side door opposite the Presbytery) and if you have any questions beforehand don't hesitate to contact me (jamesmcsarry@hotmail.com or 07917 032024). Many thanks.

James McSharry.

Finance

The Second Collection for the Society of African Missions (SMA) - our annual Mission Appeal - came to £2,065.91. Thank you for your generosity.

SVP Lenten Collection

The Second Collection on Palm Sunday will be the annual SVP collection. This year the money will be earmarked 50% for the victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria and 50% for the educational needs of poor children in Kerala, via the SVP international Disaster Fund. Thank you in anticipation.



From the Desk of the Parish Priest

The Old Testament 4: Exodus 12,14

Unlike the stories in *Genesis* those in *Exodus* are based on historical events (albeit written some time after the event), but again it is the theology which is important. It describes the role of God as God of all the earth, even defeating Pharaoh, and the foundation of the Israelites as the people of God.

"And you shall eat it [lamb] in haste. It is the Lord's Passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt." (Exodus 12: 11-13, ESV).

This chapter of *Exodus* contains detailed prescriptions about the ritual of eating the Passover lamb in family units (which are repeated in *Deuteronomy*) and a description of how God kills the first born Egyptians, "both man and beast". Passover ('pesach' in Hebrew, which gives us our word Paschal) became an important annual observance for the Jewish people.

But yet again there is a further significance for Christians: *John* makes it plain that Christ's Last Supper - which was a Passover meal - took place at the same time as the lambs were being slain in Jerusalem for the Passover festival. For us, therefore, Jesus is the new Passover lamb, the new lamb of sacrifice. Jesus gave the Passover meal a new meaning, identifying the bread and wine with His Body and Blood.

"Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the Lord threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left." (Exodus 14: 21-29, ESV).

The Israelites are delivered, and the Egyptians destroyed, by God's power. It is easy to see the significance of the Exodus to the Jewish religion: it formed them as a people, and as the people of God, it shows God delivering them from slavery, and sets them on the way to the Promised Land.

But yet again, for Christians there is a further and very significant element to this story. Just as the Theory of Relativity has both a special and a general form, so too for Christians the Exodus has both a special and general aspect.

Like the story of Noah and the Ark, the Exodus foreshadows Baptism, and gives us pointers as to what Baptism means. In the Exodus the people of God, led by Moses their leader, are delivered from slavery in Egypt through the waters of the Red Sea, towards the Promised Land. In Baptism the people of God, led by Jesus Christ our leader, are delivered from slavery (to sin and death) through the waters of the Font, towards the Promised Land (which is heaven).

To quote again the Prayer over the Water at Baptism: *"Through the waters of the Red Sea you [God] led Israel out of slavery to be an image of God's holy people, set free from sin by Baptism"*.

In addition to this special significance of the Exodus foreshadowing Baptism, there is also the general point that it is one of the saving acts of God in our history (by 'our' I mean the Church). God delivers the enslaved from their oppressors (whether in this life or in the life to come).

Finally, Moses is a forerunner of Christ: he is the leader of God's people, the victor over the oppressor (Pharaoh), and he will go on to be their teacher and law-giver. This Christian interpretation of the Old Testament - that God placed anticipations of Christ in it - is called typology (for example Jonah, who spent three days in the fish and returned is another type of Christ, who spent three days in hell before His Resurrection).

Fr David

THE CHURCH AS SACRAMENT OF UNITY AND SALVATION

An extract from *Lumen Gentium*, the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church.

"Behold the days shall come saith the Lord, and I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel, and with the house of Judah . . . I will give my law in their bowels, and I will write it in their heart, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people . . . For all of them shall know Me, from the least of them even to the greatest, saith the Lord".¹ Christ instituted this new covenant, the new testament, that is to say, in His Blood,² calling together a people made up of Jew and gentile, making them one, not according to the flesh but in the Spirit. This was to be the new People of God. For those who believe in Christ, who are reborn not from a perishable but from an imperishable seed through the word of the living God,³ not from the flesh but from water and the Holy Spirit,⁴ are finally established as "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a purchased people . . . who in times past were not a people, but are now the people of God".⁵

That messianic people has Christ for its head, "Who was delivered up for our sins, and rose again for our justification",⁶ and now, having won a name which is above all names, reigns in glory in heaven. The state of this people is that of the dignity and freedom of the sons of God, in whose hearts the Holy Spirit dwells as in His temple. Its law is the new commandment to love as Christ loved us.⁷ Its end is the kingdom of God, which has been begun by God Himself on earth, and which is to be further extended until it is brought to perfection by Him at the end of time, when Christ, our life,⁸ shall appear, and "creation itself will be delivered from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the sons of God".⁹ So it is that that messianic people, although it does not actually include all men, and at times may look like a small flock, is nonetheless a lasting and sure seed of unity, hope and salvation for the whole human race. Established by Christ as a communion of life, charity and truth, it is also used by Him as an instrument for the redemption of all, and is sent forth into the whole world as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.¹⁰

Israel according to the flesh, which wandered as an exile in the desert, was already called the Church of God.¹¹ So likewise the new Israel which while living in this present age goes in search of a future and abiding city¹² is called the Church of Christ.¹³ For He has bought it for Himself with His blood,¹⁴ has filled it with His Spirit and provided it with those means which befit it as a visible and social union. God gathered together as one all those who in faith look upon Jesus as the author of salvation and the source of unity and peace, and established them as the Church that for each and all it may be the visible sacrament of this saving unity.

¹ Jer 31: 31-34, ² cf 1 Cor 11:25, ³ cf 1 Pet 1:23, ⁴ cf Jn 3: 5-6, ⁵ 1Pt 2: 9-10, ⁶ Rom 4:25, ⁷ cf Jn 13:34. ⁸ cf Col 3:4, ⁹ Rom 8:21, ¹⁰ cf Mt 5: 13-16, ¹¹ Neh 13:1, cf Deut 23:1 ff, Num 2:-4, ¹² cf Heb 13:14, ¹³ cf Mt 16:18, ¹⁴ cf Acts 20:28

Lumen Gentium §9

MASS INTENTIONS

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

SUNDAY 19th March **FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT**

6:00pm (Sat)	Holy Souls
8:00am (Latin)	Anne-Marie Roberts RIP
9:15am	John Gibson RIP
11:15am	In thanksgiving
6:00pm	People of the Parish
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Fr David Hutton RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Patrick & Daphne O'Riordan (anniversary)
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Mothers of the Parish

Monday 20th **S JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00am	Fr Joe Andradi
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Tuesday 21st **Feria**

9:30am	Chris Innes RIP and for his work colleagues & family
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Wednesday 22nd **Feria**

8:00am	Eamonn Murphy RIP (anniversary)
10:00am <i>Oxford</i>	James and Carmela Gibson RIP

Thursday 23rd **Feria**

10:00am <i>Borough Green</i>	Rodney Fothergill RIP
12:00noon	Dec'd members of the Andradi-Brown family

Friday 24th **Feria**

8:00am	John Gibson RIP
10:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Holy Souls

Saturday 25th **The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD**

9:30am	Kathleen Connolly RIP & her husband John and the comfort of his family
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SUNDAY 26th March **FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT**

6:00pm (Sat)	Patsy Savage RIP & the wellbeing of her family, Philip and Stacy
8:00am (Latin)	People of the Parish
9:15am	John Gibson RIP
11:15am	L.R.L Edwards RIP (anniversary) In thanksgiving
6:00pm	Jake that he will be baptised
9:30am <i>Oxford</i>	Sarah Boyle RIP
9:30am <i>Borough Green</i>	Nigel Jenkins RIP
11:00am <i>West Kingsdown</i>	Parish Priests

Baptism

Welcome to
**Jemima & Baxter McLeod
Jones-Funnell**
who were Baptized at
St Thomas's, Sevenoaks

For your prayers

Departed anniversaries

John Wilson, Roy Gambrill Paul Hayden, Leo Conney, Enzo Collini, John Harkins, Veronica Poole, John Christopher, Peter Green, Rosie Gilbert, Barbara Spencer, Malcolm McCulloch, William Cook, Joan Gregory, Winifride Pearce, John Capeling.

**Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace**

The sick

Angela Brunning, Tony Barrett, Frank Eastbrooke, Lynne Stanley, Veronica Williams, Yvonne Bollen, Peter Ringham, Ann Steven, Lilian Spragg, Jane Tabor, Ken Holmes, Mary Scott, Sean Cloke, Ann Farren and all in care and nursing homes.

LATIN ANTIPHONS

Entrance

Lætare, Ierusalem, et conventum facite, omnes qui diligitis eam; gaudete cum lætitia, qui in tristitia fuistis, ut exsultetis, et satiemini ab uberibus consolationis vestræ.

Communion

Dominus linivit oculos meos: et abii, et lavi, et vidi, et credidi Deo.