St Thomas More Catholic Church

SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2020, 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS INTENTIONS

+25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Confessions by request any day after mass.

SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2020
6.00PM (SATURDAY VIGIL) PAT GALLAGHER RIP LD
10:00AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00PM ANDREA (ANDIE) ALLEN RIP A

MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER
10:30AM STEPHEN HIGGINS RIP LD

TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER
10:30AM NEGLECTED SOULS IN PURGATORY

WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER
10:30AM EILEEN HARRINGTON RIP LD

THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
10:30AM EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ROSARY

FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER
10:30AM BILL MAXTED RIP A

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
10:30AM DEIRDRE REDMOND RIP A

+26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER
6.00PM (SATURDAY VIIGIL) ANN & LES WRIGHT RIP A
10:00AM JADWIGA & JOZEF LELUJKA RIP A
12:00PM MICHAEL EDWARDS RIP LD

Live-streaming Mass in our Diocese can be found on Diocese of Westminster website:**https://rcdow.org.uk/news/**

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OFFICE HOURS
MON-THURS (9:30AM-1:30PM)

To book for Mass , please click on link
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/eastcote/events/

SENIOR SCHOOL APPLICATIONS & CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE. Fr Martin would like to meet with Parents/Guardians and children on Monday 28th September 2020 or Monday 5th October between 4-6pm to sign school applications and issue Certificate of Catholic Practice. Please bring along your child's baptism certificate to the interview. To book your appointment please email Parish Office ,eastcote@rcdow.org.uk or phone 0208 8666581 .

First Holy Communion Masses 2020: The First Holy Communion Mass celebrations will take place **Saturday 10th October & 17th October 2020 at 12pm.** The Mass will be strictly for the First Holy Communion families only. The Catechist team will be contacting the families with further information.

First Holy Communion 2021: Our First Holy Communion programme will be commencing in January 2021 after the children return back to school. Applications and Medical forms are now available in the main entrance of the church. Applications are also available on the Parish website **https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/eastcote/sacramental-prep/receiving-the-sacraments**
Please remember to include a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate and return application forms to the Parish Office by the end of **October.** More information will follow on the format of the classes.

Urgent !!Cleaning Volunteers we need your help!?
The Church cleaning team urgently require help. Some of our wonderful volunteers have now returned to University!! Please can you spare some time to help with cleaning on a rota basis. If you are well and interested and would like more information please contact pat.faille@btinternet.com or mobile 07540 468 393. Protective equipment will be provided.

Church Security: Additional CCTV camera's were installed this week within the Church. These will be recording for security purposes only. Signs will be displayed to let people know they are being used

Food bank: Hillingdon Food bank will be collecting the donations at the **end of September**.

Pastor's Corner

Sunday 20th SEPTEMBER 2020,
+25th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Dear Parishioners

"The last will be first and the first will be last" Matthew 20:16

There is an account recorded about some missionaries who arrived in Japan a few centuries ago and expected to only find people who had never heard the Gospel message. In fact they did encounter a group of faithful Christians who had inherited the faith through the previous generations who received it from missionaries many years before. These people had been without priests, without the sacraments, without Church buildings for their whole lives and yet they had stayed faithful. Significantly it seemed that a particular love for Our Lady had been an important feature. When the new missionaries arrived, the question they were asked is "Did you bring the Lady?" At first the priests wondered what was meant by this until they produced a statue of Mary from their luggage and the locals recognised her. Love for Mary had helped these people without support to keep their Christian belief and remain faithful. In our own days many people are living without the direct support of the Church, contact with priests and the sacraments. In these times it is perhaps especially important to consider how we are keeping and practicing our faith. It is not clear exactly when everyone will feel safe to return to mass and gathering as a parish community. Finding ways of preserving our faith, praying at home, maybe with a statue of 'the Lady', could all be very important at this time to remind us that God is with us and will sustain us until we can gather again in greater numbers. In this week's Gospel Jesus says that the workers in the vineyard were welcome, even those who came later. The important message is that even though they came later, they did come eventually. Let us pray that we will all be able to come to the vineyard of the Church as soon as is possible and remain close to God in the meantime.

God bless you,

Fr Martin

Children's Liturgy 25th Sunday

Have you remembered your letter from last week? The first letter for our mystery word. This week Medium Ted helps us with the clue for the second letter. Don't forget to watch- follow the link below for this weeks Children's liturgy:

https://youtu.be/jikbz5ES4CE

How to book Mass

Visit our Parish Website **https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/eastcote/**

and select **EVENTS** on the left hand side of webpage.

Next select, **BOOK A PLACE**

*Please ensure you select 'book a place' located under the **specific** mass/date which you would like to attend.*

Next select :**Please reserve place(s),** use the arrow to select the amount of places.
(Please note **select 1 place** if your are an individual/couple or **select 2** if your are a family).
Maximum 2 places per booking allowed.

Enter your name and contact details (email or Mobile/home number)

Please tick box to confirm you are free from Covid 19 related symptoms.

Finally select **BOOK A PLACE** to secure booking.

*Remember if you are unable to use the website to book or require help or alternatively would like to book through Parish office please do not hesitate to contact Liz Duignan, please email: **eastcote@rcdow.org.uk** or phone 0208 866 6581.*