

15TH NOVEMBER 2020,  
+33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Dear Parishioners,

*“Well done my good and faithful servant.”*

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta famously said “God doesn’t necessarily ask us to do extraordinary things but to do ordinary things with extraordinary love!” At present we are all faced with such large events playing out on the world’s stage and we could easily feel powerless in the face of them. We may feel frustrated at the current situation in our society which has brought such radical changes and restrictions. We may be tempted to fear the implications and results of these changes in the future at all levels of society; social, economic and religious. However, we find something very interesting when we look at our Lord’s life as he sowed the seeds of the universal Catholic Christian faith among us 2000 years ago. Apart from a few large gatherings Jesus largely worked very personally with people; we would say these days – one to one. Jesus didn’t publish books, write to influential world leaders or travel extensively outside his own region. Not that these pursuits are not valuable or fruitful in human life in themselves, but Jesus didn’t do any of them. What he did was use the gifts that were at his disposal as the Son of God in the very ordinary circumstances of his encounters with people every day. In this week’s Gospel Jesus tells a parable about three people using their talents in different ways. To the two men who wisely did what was within their power with the talents they received their master said “Well done my good and faithful servant”. The man who buried his talent was not given such an encouraging response. Christianity is a religion of love and so it is always lived out in the ordinary opportunities God gives us to love him and our neighbour every day. This does not preclude large initiatives and a global vision in what we might do, but it sees the value in humbly bringing the Gospel into our everyday lives. Each of us has been given the gift of life and the gift of our own personal individuality to be ‘Jesus’ and to see ‘Jesus’ among those God places us with. Let us pray for one another in these challenging times that we will find our peace and fulfilment in being God’s ‘good and faithful servants’, trusting in his almighty love and power.

God bless you, Fr Martin

32<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS BUDAPEST | 2021. 5-12 September

An hour of Eucharistic adoration and prayer worldwide for each other

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Ego sum!

“Come, you who are blessed by my Father.”

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21 November 2020 on the vigil of the Feast of Christ the King

**The International Eucharistic Congress** organizers are asking Parishes to have a Holy Hour to unite the world in prayer around the Blessed Sacrament.

St Thomas More has registered & The Eucharistic Adoration will take place: **Saturday 21st November at 7pm**

On

**Vigil of Christ the King.**

You can find more information on the Worldwide Adoration, as well as register your participation on the official website at: [corpusdomini.iec2020.hu](http://corpusdomini.iec2020.hu)

**Cardinal Vincent Nichols** celebrated his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The parish would like to wish him a very Happy Birthday. He will continue to remain in Office of Archbishop of Westminster.

Please remember to pray for the Cardinal.

## St Thomas More Catholic Church

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**THIS NEWSLETTER IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: - [www.rcdow.org.uk/eastcote](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/eastcote)**

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Good luck to all our members!!

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### +33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Due to the change in government regulations our Church will remain open for personal individual prayer only, **Monday -Sunday 10am-11am** during the restrictive period of **5th November -2nd December 2020.**

\*Fr Martin will be offering November Mass intentions in his private daily mass. Please note there will be no public celebration of Mass during this period.

#### SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

\*10:00AM MARIA BERNADETTE WEIR RIP LD

#### MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER –

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

10:30AM INTS OF NORA CAIN

#### TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

\*10:30AM SULOGINI SAVUNDRA NAYAGAM RIP

#### WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

\*10:00AM JOHN MCMAHON RIP A

#### THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> November

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

#### FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

\*10:30AM HOLY SOULS

#### SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER

10:00AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

\*10:30AM HOLY SOULS

#### +OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

#### SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> November

10AM-11AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

\*10:30AM JULIE PATTINSON RIP LD

#### Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers:

Margaret Newton, Richard Stoneman, Theresa More, Dudley Plunkett, Paula Wazny, William O'Shea, Sean Moohan, Daisy Cunningham, Bianca Malheiros-Fauz, Kundan Singhoraya, Sarah Dunning, Eamonn Kearney, Ruby Bastiampillai, Peggy McMahon and Delores Walsh: for Deborah Brophy, Kitty Goldie, Kathleen Dunleavy, Phyllis O'Brien, and those in our local nursing homes; and for our housebound parishioners, especially Katie Loftus. *Please let us know if you wish to add or remove any names on the sick list.*

#### For those who have died recently:

Victor Blake, Patrick (Paddy) Tobin, Tom McKearney, Barbara Bailes, Eileen Harrington, Clare Logue, Anne Healy, Patrick Ng, Julie Pattinson, Antonino Spano and Marie Weir.

#### For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time:

Dick Hinde, Tom Cox, Tony Weeden, Ann Murphy, Terry Keating & George Forrow.

Children's Liturgy: This week we have Guy the Gorilla, Polar Bear and Gruffalina telling us all about their talents. Copy the link below:

<https://youtu.be/hT4boMQ26xY>

The Memorial Garden has now completed its face-left after the spread of additional top-soil and a general clean-up. The mementoes have been replaced but if they are not in the right position please feel free to retrieve and/or re-site. We ask that you are circumspect in the number and size of artefacts left and PLEASE no planted shrubs or flowers.

Would you be prepared to take on the management of the Memorial Garden? We are looking for someone to assume responsibility for overseeing the general appearance of this important aspect of the St Thomas More parish. Please contact the Parish office [Eastcote@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:Eastcote@rcdow.org.uk) or 0208 8666581.

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OFFICE OPEN: 9:30-1PM (Mon- Thurs Only)

Please note Liz Duignan is currently working remotely during November.

**Order of Mass:** Please visit Parish Website

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/eastcote/order-of-mass/>



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