

# St Thomas More Catholic Church

## 16TH JANUARY 2022, +2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

##### +2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

##### SUNDAY 16TH JANUARY

6:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INT JOHN WALLACE  
09:30AM INT THE FITZGERALD FAMILY  
11:30AM EDWARD & MICHAEL MURCHAN RIP A

##### MONDAY 17TH JANUARY

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN  
09:30AM INT RITA & PATRICK  
11:30AM FUNERAL MASS KATHLEEN (KAY) QUINN RIP

##### TUESDAY 18TH JANUARY

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN  
09:30AM CHARLES CASTLE RIP LD

##### WEDNESDAY 19TH JANUARY

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN  
09:30AM INT PAT FAILLE

##### THURSDAY 20TH JANUARY

10:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN  
THE ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

##### FRIDAY 21ST JANUARY

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN  
09:30AM JAMES TOMLINSON RIP A

##### SATURDAY 22ND JANUARY

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN  
09:30AM PATRICK O'ROURKE RIP LD

FOLLOWED BY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

##### +3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(OF THE WORD OF GOD)

##### SUNDAY 23RD JANUARY

6:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INT MADALINE & BERNARD  
LUCKHURST  
09:30AM INT SANDY BYRNE  
11:30AM INT LIAM HUTCHINSON

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

Ed Gorman, Audrey Farrell, Fr Duncan Adamson, Eileen Ferris, Katie Murchan, Pedro Johns, Richard Stoneman, Paula Wazny, Daisy Cunningham, Bianca Malheiros-Fauz, Kundan Singhoraya, Sarah Dunning, Ruby Bastiampillai, Peggy McMahon and Delores Walsh; for Kitty Goldie 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:** Frances Reynolds, Ian Fitzgerald, Kathleen Quinn, Patrick O'Rourke, John Molloy, Bridget Fernandes.

**For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time:** Victoria Gattey, Emile (Norman) Potts, John Carey and John Jeffries.

#### **Children's Liturgy**

Well it is lovely to see Old Bear back this week and he has a little question for you which you may need an adult to help you with. What does Old Bear and a fine wine have in common? See if you can find the answer when you watch this week's video.

<https://youtu.be/BMfmL7S4KLk>

The **LIFE ASCENDING** group meet on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022** at 2.30pm in the Library. Their welcome extends to all Christians in their middle to later years. Please come along on Wednesday.

**St Vincent De Paul Society-** If you would like to find out more about the work they do please join them after the 9.30am Mass in the Anglim room on **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**

**Hillingdon Food bank.** Thank you for your donations this month. Next collection will be **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.**



**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022**  
**+2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Dear Parishioners,

“Do whatever he tells you.” John 2:5

This short and direct statement from Mary in this Sunday’s Gospel says all we need to know. “Do whatever He tells you.” What else do we need to know in life? The hard part, of course, is following that advice. It’s easy to believe in the idea of doing everything that God wants, but it’s another thing to actually follow through and fulfil God’s divine will. Mary’s short exhortation calls us to two things: 1) To discern what Jesus wants of us and, 2) To freely embrace that which we discern. How are we doing in these two areas? First of all, discerning the will of God can be hard in the sense that it requires a wholehearted attentiveness to His gentle and subtle voice. God does not impose His will on us; rather, He respectfully and quietly invites us to listen. He waits until we give Him our full attention and then reveals His will one step at a time. Yes, some things have been made objectively clear already through divine revelation such as the commandments to love God and our neighbour as ourselves but we then need to then make them our own. When we are ready to let those general commandments enter practically into our daily lives we then start to discover our own unique and personal way of living the beauty of the Christian life. Second, we can realise that God’s will, when properly discerned, is not always easy to follow. Jesus embraced the Cross to defeat evil, sin and death for us so that we can now break through with him into the true life of faith, hope and love. The Good News means that if we acknowledge this sacrifice of Jesus on our behalf, then we will discover his grace and his help in our lives so that we too can embrace our own crosses and follow God’s will for us. Let us reflect, today, upon this twofold invitation spoken by our Blessed Mother. She can help us to know God’s will and be ready to do whatever he tells us, no matter what it is. If we are willing to be open to this, we are on the path toward holiness.

God bless you,  
*Fr Martin*

**Name an Angel:** The Parish held a competition over the Christmas season for the children to “Name one of our Angels”. The Angels have been displayed on the Altar during this time. The Entry with the most appropriate name will receive their very own Guardian Angel. The decision will be made **16<sup>th</sup> January 2022** at **09:30am** Mass.

**Parish Confirmation Registration 2022:** Fr Martin would like to invite children in Year 9 to apply to join the programme of preparation for Confirmation. Applications and Medical forms are now available on the welcome table of the church. The forms are also available on the Parish website. Please return application and Medical forms to the Parish Office by **15th January 2022**. More information on the format of the programme will follow shortly in the parish newsletter.

**Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Nursery Admissions 2022/2023**

If you have a child who was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 you are invited to apply for a Nursery place. We would ask parents/carers to click on the following link to download the application form >> [Nursery 2022 application form](#). You will also find our Nursery Admissions Policy and information explaining this process on the website.

The **closing date** for applications is **Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022** and **Offer day** is **Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022**.