

# St Thomas More Catholic Church

**SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> July 2022, 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**\*\*100 club membership\*\*** Winners will be drawn and announced this weekend!!

## MASS INTENTIONS +18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 31ST JULY 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INT ANNABELLE TIMILSINA

09:30AM BOLGER FAMILY RIP

11:30AM CATHERINE FOGARTY RIP

### MONDAY 01ST AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM BRIDGET RIORDAN RIP LD

### TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM ESTRELITA HUGHES RIP

### WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM PHYLLIS BELGRAVE RIP LD

### THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST 2022

10:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

THE ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

### FRIDAY 5TH AUGUST 2022

09:00 CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM BRIAN FOGARTY RIP A

### SATURDAY 6TH AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT PAT FAILLE

*FOLLOWED BY*

*EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS  
AFTER MASS*

## +19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 7TH AUGUST 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INT TINA MILLS

09:30AM FOR PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

11:30AM LUISA PANAMARENKO RIP LD

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OFFICE OPEN: 9:30am-1:00pm (Mon- Thurs Only)

## Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers:

Audrey Farrell, Phyllis O'Brien, Fr Duncan Adamson, James Bradley, Eileen Ferris, Katie Murchan, Paula Wazny, Daisy Cunningham, Bianca Malheiros-Fauz, Kundan Singhoraya and Sarah Dunning, and those in our local nursing homes especially Kitty Goldie, Moira Bennett, Dolores Walsh, Sarah Joyce. For our housebound parishioners, especially Peggy McMahon, Katie Loftus & Norma Kolakowska.

*Please let us know if you wish to add or remove any names on the sick list.*

## For those who have died recently

Madeleine Horsburgh

## For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time

Brian Fogarty

**Pilgrimage to Holy Land** - Fr John Deehan from Our Lady Help of Christians, Kentish Town would like to invite Parishioners to a pilgrimage to Holy Land. Departing 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023, returning 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Price £1695 per person sharing a twin/double room on half board basis. Single Rooms available at a supplement of £325. Price includes return airfare including hold baggage, accommodation in 3\* hotels, all transport whilst in the Holy Land, services of a professional guide, gratuities and all entrance fees. Price does not include lunches, drinks or items of a personal nature. Please note that this itinerary is not suitable for the less able traveller. Deposit of £400 with balance to be paid **by 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023**. If you are interested and would like further information on the itinerary and booking form, please contact Fr John Deehan 0207 485 4023 or email [kenishtown.rcdow.org.uk](mailto:kenishtown.rcdow.org.uk). There are copies of the itinerary and booking forms held in the Parish Office.

The **LIFE ASCENDING** The group will break for the summer and return on **7<sup>th</sup> September 2022**.

**Hillingdon Food Bank:** Thank you for all the generous food donations. Next Collection will be **25<sup>th</sup> August**.

**Sunday Tea/Coffee Morning:** Returns on **11<sup>TH</sup> September** in the Parish Hall.



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**+ 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Dear Parishioners,

“Take care to guard against avarice of any kind, for though you may now be rich, life does not consist of possessions.”

The Gospel reading for this Sunday asks us to consider what is of true value in our lives. A man, who asks Jesus to tell his brother to share the inheritance with him, exemplifies a misdirected concern to make money and possessions the highest value in his life. This becomes a definition of greed; which means focusing too much on earthly possessions. Jesus used this encounter to warn against this kind of greed. While it is possible to be wealthy in this life, for money in itself is not evil, it is wrong to be consumed by our wealth and possessions. Ultimately, Jesus says “life does not consist of possessions.” To illustrate this Jesus tells a parable in which a man is so focused on his possessions that he misses what matters most in life. Rather than sharing his abundance of grain, he greedily hoards it. He thought life was good, for he had everything he wanted and could “rest, eat, drink, and be merry”, but when he died unexpectedly, none of that mattered. Therefore, we should strive to be “rich in what matters to God,” rather than storing up treasures for ourselves on earth. For, as Jesus says elsewhere, “What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?” The Christian faith tells us that true wealth is to know that the Son of God gave up his life for us and purchased the possibility of redemption for us so that we could know the love of God both now and in eternity. In light of this, our earthly goods are best used when they serve this purpose and especially when they are used to help those less fortunate than our selves. Let us reflect, this week on our attachments to material things, asking for the grace to become attached to true riches, that will remain with us forever.

God bless you,  
*Fr Martin*

**Grotto Appeal- Our Lady Queen of Love**

As you will see Our Lady, Queen of Love arrived and is on the Altar of the Church. The statue of Our lady will soon take sanctuary in a Grotto which will be located behind the church on the grass area in front of the presbytery. The Grotto will have paving, benches, a rose garden and be surrounded by trees. The area will be a place for Parishioners to visit, to sit and pray in an environment of beauty, peace and tranquillity. We would like to make an appeal for donations, so commencement of our Grotto project can begin. There will be a donation box available at the side of the Altar and a collection basket in the narthex. Please use the envelopes provided. If you are a taxpayer, please Gift Aid your donation using the appropriate envelope. The government will top up your gift by 25 percent. Alternatively you can please make your donation direct to the Parish Bank account or use the Dona Portal in the Narthex, selecting Grotto Appeal. Please see bank account details as follows:

Account Name: WRCDT Eastcote

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 91096001

Please add your Surname and ‘Grotto’ as a reference.

*Please offer what you can to help, thank you for your support.*

**St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022** The Relics of St Bernadette are visiting England, Wales & Scotland this autumn. Please see poster included in newsletter with details of the venues, dates and times.



The Relics of St Bernadette are visiting  
England, Wales and Scotland this autumn.

They will be in the Diocese of Westminster  
at these venues and times:

<i>Venue</i>	<i>Relics arrive</i>	<i>Relics depart</i>
<b>St Thomas of Canterbury, Fulham</b> 60 Rylston Road, Fulham, SW6 7HW	Friday 2 September 9pm	Saturday 3 September 10.30am
<b>Westminster Cathedral</b> Victoria Street, SW1P 1QT	Saturday 3 September 11am	Monday 5 September 9.30am
<b>The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hayes</b> Botwell Lane, Hayes, UB3 2AB	Monday 5 September 10.30am	Tuesday 6 September 10am
<b>St Mary's University</b> Waldegrave Road, Twickenham, TW1 4SX	Tuesday 6 September 10.45am	Tuesday 6 September 10pm
<b>St John Fisher, Shepperton</b> 15 Wood Road, Shepperton, TW17 0DH	Tuesday 6 September 10.30pm	Wednesday 7 September 10.15am
<b>St Joseph's, Stevenage</b> Bedwell Crescent, Stevenage, SG1 1NJ	Monday 17 October 1pm	Tuesday 18 October 8.15am
<b>Our Lady of Willesden</b> 1 Nicoll Road, Willesden, NW10 9AX	Friday 28 October 4pm	Sunday 30 October 9.15am
<b>HM Prison Wormwood Scrubs</b> 160 Du Cane Road, W12 0AN	Sunday 30 October 10am	Sunday 30 October 2pm
<b>Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral</b> Duke Street, W1K 5BU	Sunday 30 October 3pm	Tuesday 1 November 7am

For more information please speak to your parish priest  
or visit [stbernadette.org.uk](http://stbernadette.org.uk)

**MISSIO:** There are a number of Red Missio Boxes awaiting collection on the Narthex table. Please remember to collect your box on your way out of Mass. Thank you.

**Thank you from CAFOD:** Did you know that CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, helps some of the poorest and most marginalised people across the world? We can reach so many people because we are a member of *Caritas Internationalis*, the Catholic Church network with a presence in 165 countries. Our local experts work with people over the long-term, helping them to have the right skills, tools and opportunities to live with dignity and support their families. For example, in South Sudan we are helping families learn how to farm better as the climate gets hotter, so that they can cope better in the future when things get even more difficult. Find out more [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) Thank you for your support.


**BRF JOB VACANCY** Are you an approachable people-person with excellent communication skills and previous experience in an HR/People role? Do you want to work for a leading Christian charity which pioneers creative ministries such as Messy Church? If you are looking to take the next step in your People career then this could be the role for you! Visit <https://www.brf.org.uk/get-involved/jobs/> to download an application form and apply.

**Clothes Sale:** There will be a Vintage, previously loved and never worn clothes sale in the Front Garden of 29 The Chase Eastcote HA5 1SJ on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July, Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July and Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August**, 11am-6pm. 10% of profits generated by St Thomas More Shoppers will be donated to the Grotto Appeal. Please pick up a flyer from the Narthex.

**CELEBRATE** is a Catholic ministry helping support individuals. Communities and especially families to live an authentic Christian life. On their website they have a new online Family Activity Pack for Summer, visit <https://www.celebratetrust.org/onlinefamilyactivitypacks>

If anyone in your parish would like to sign up to the CELEBRATE mailing list to keep up to date with what they are doing for families, you can sign up here: <https://www.celebratetrust.org/get-in-touch>

### **LECTIO DIVINA AT ST LUKE'S CHURCH PINNER**



**LECTIO DIVINA**

**God's Word is ALIVE and ACTIVE**

*"Lord, what does this text say to me?  
What is it about my life that you  
want to change by this text?"  
(Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium 153)*

An ancient five step form of prayer, Lectio Divina invites us to listen to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

**Join us when you can  
to pray this Sunday's Gospel**

WEDNESDAYS, 1130am-1230pm  
Pater Noster Room, Parish Centre  
St Luke's Church

