

# St Thomas More Catholic Church

SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2022, +22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

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**\*\*100 club membership\*\***

Good luck to all members!! Winners will be announced this weekend.

## MASS INTENTIONS +22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 28TH AUGUST 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) MADELEINE HORSBURGH RIP

09:30AM INT WYN MAXTED

11:30AM TONY LYNCH RIP LD

### MONDAY 29TH AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT SHEILA JONES

### TUESDAY 30TH AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM DECEASED CURTIS FAMILY

### WEDNESDAY 31ST AUGUST 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM MICHAEL BERG RIP LD

### THURSDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2022

10:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

THE ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

### FRIDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00 CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT MOIRA BENNETT

### SATURDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM PHYLLIS BELGRAVE RIP LD

*FOLLOWED BY*

*EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS*

*AFTER MASS*

## +23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) ANTHONY MCGILLICUDDY RIP A

09:30AM DYLAN BUCKLEY RIP A

11:30AM INT THE MAXTED FAMILY

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### MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM BRIDGET RIORDAN RIP LD

### TUESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT COYNE FAMILY

### WEDNESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM PATRICK O'ROURKE RIP

### THURSDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2022

10:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

THE ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

### FRIDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00 CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM GRAHAM SUMNER RIP LD

### SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM MARY TENNENT RIP LD

*FOLLOWED BY*

*EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS AFTER*

*MASS*

## +24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) JOHN PATRICK DONNELLY RIP A

09:30AM THOMAS FERNANDES RIP LD

11:30AM INT NORMA GOURDIN

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 your generous donations this month. Next collection **28<sup>th</sup> September**.



**SUNDAY 28TH AUGUST 2022**  
**+22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Dear Parishioners,

"He who exalts himself will be humbled, he who humbles himself will be exalted"

This Sunday the Gospel reading tells us about Jesus being invited to a meal at the house of one of the Pharisees. Jesus uses the opportunity to focus on the theme of humility. To be humble, according to Jesus, is to not exalt or think too highly of our self. Rather, the humble person chooses 'the lowest place at the table'. That person chooses not to pursue their own status but to prioritise the needs and the presence of others. We are told that, for this act of sacrifice, God will reward the humble person in the end: "For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." The best example of this is Jesus himself. Though he is the Son of God, Jesus allows himself to be considered even less than nobody. However, Jesus knows who he is in God's eyes and he also shows us our true worth when he offers his life on the cross for us. Grateful for this amazing gift from God the Christian person is then called to serve others, not expecting to be served in return or showered with immediate rewards or acclaim. From Jesus, we learn to love others whether or not they love us back. One of the best ways to live out humility, according to Jesus, is to care for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind." It takes true humility to associate oneself with the downtrodden and outcasts of society, just as Jesus himself did. True humility involves going out of our way to interact with those most in need. Humility may well involve giving alms and contributing to charity, but even more it involves giving our very selves. Let us pray this week to understand the call to understand our lives in relation to the needs of others and for the gift of the necessary humility to serve Christ in our neighbour.

God bless you,  
*Fr Martin*

**First Holy Communion 2023**

Fr Martin would like to invite children in Year 3 to apply to join the programme of preparation for the First Holy Communion. The programme will be commencing in **January 2023** after the children return back to school. Applications and Medical forms are now available in the main entrance of the church.

The forms 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 **30<sup>th</sup> October 2022**. More information will follow on the format of the classes.

**Grotto Appeal- Our Lady Queen of Love** 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, please visit Parish website for details or use the Dona Contactless Portal in the Narthex, selecting Grotto Appeal. Thank you for your support.

**St Vincent De Paul Society-** The group will return on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022**. Please join them after the 9.30am Mass in the Anglim room.

**Save the Date** Pinner Folk & Blues Club will be presenting a musical play 'Northfleet' on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 7:45pm** in the Parish Hall. Admission £5 on the door. Proceeds will be donated to Royal National Lifeboat institution (RNLI). Please see Poster on display in the Narthex for further detail.

**Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers:** Wyn Maxted, 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 whose Anniversaries occur around this time** Phyllis Reid, Anna Still, Jill Lawson, Elizabeth James, Dylan Buckley, Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor, Charles Aggett, George William Barnes and Joan Lawrence-Smith.

**Next of Kin** If you would like to inform the Parish Office of your next of kin these will be held on the Parish records and be used for emergency purposes only. Please contact by email [eastcote@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:eastcote@rcdow.org.uk) or telephone 0208 866 6581.

**St Vincent De Paul Society- Summer raffle:** There will be an opportunity to purchase tickets after each mass on weekend of **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September**. 1<sup>st</sup> prize is £5000, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is £1000 and 15 additional prizes of £100. The cost of the ticket is £1 each or £5 for a booklet. The draw will take place on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you for your support.

**Community Connex Event-** People Connex welcomes you for Monthly Coffee/Tea Club one Sunday a month commencing **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September** in the Parish hall after 11:30am Mass. The regular event will commence at **12:30pm** by Fr Martin who will be playing his guitar to favourite songs. Please do come along for refreshments, activities and raffle. Donations welcome.

The monthly Wednesday events will continue and return on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022** to be held in the Parish hall from **10:30am to 1pm**. Welcome refreshments and Alan The entertainer for music and activity. An opportunity to meet with Cllr Paul Osborn, Leader Harrow Council, regarding Communities working together. Suggested donation of £5. Please see poster within the Church for more detail.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham** On **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September**, (The Feast Day of Our Lady of Walsingham) Cardinal Vincent will lead the diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham. We are planning to share a coach with St Matthews Northwood Parish. The coach will be leaving St Thomas More at 7:15am and leaving Walsingham at 5:30pm for return trip. The brief outline of the day will have a Pilgrim mass, picnic lunch, procession along the Holy Mile and Prayers and Benediction in the Priory and of the Site of Original Shrine. There are 25 seats available to Eastcote. If you would like to take part in this pilgrimage, please complete your details on the forms provided in the Narthex, along with cash or cheque payment of **£25**. Place completed form in envelope and return to the Parish office.

Alternatively you may wish to pay via bank transfer, please see bank details on registration form.

**Parish Office** will be closed from **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August**, reopening on **5<sup>th</sup> September**. If you have an urgent matter for a priest, please contact Fr Martin Plunkett. Please note there will be no newsletter next week due to annual leave. Next newsletter **8<sup>th</sup> September 2022**.