

# St Thomas More Catholic Church

SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2022, +32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

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## MASS INTENTIONS +32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) WYN MAXTED RIP

09:30AM HOLY SOULS

11:30AM INT MARGARET BROUGHTON

### MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM HOLY SOULS

### TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM PATRICK O'ROURKE RIP LD

### WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

09:00-10:30AM CHURCH OPEN

09:00AM INT NORA CAIN

### THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

10:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

THE ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

### FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

09:00 CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM DICK HINDE RIP A

### SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM HOLY SOULS

FOLLOWED BY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS  
AFTER MASS

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

### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) PATRICK CULLINANE RIP A

09:30AM ANN AND JOHN MOLLOY RIP A

12:00PM WYN MAXTED RIP

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

## Please remember our sick parishioners in your

prayers: Michael Soika, Mary Richards, Audrey Farrell, Phyllis O'Brien, 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 and Katie Loftus. For our housebound parishioners, especially Peggy McMahon, & 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 Fr Duncan Adamson David Cullen & David Barker.

For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time Mary Nora Kelly, Tom Cox and Dick Hinde.

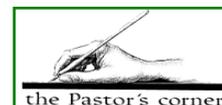


**Christmas Evening Song - Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** in the Parish Hall, an evening of song to celebrate Christmas. Doors open at **7.00pm** and singing starts at **7.30pm**. Bring your own food, drink, crockery and utensils for you and your party to eat in the interval. There will be a sign-up list in the Church narthex so we know how many people are coming. There will be a voluntary collection for "Ukraine Appeal" which CAFOD are running (no charge on the evening).

**St Vincent De Paul Society:** The next SVP meeting will take place **Sunday 6<sup>TH</sup> November**. If you would like to find out more about the work they do please join them after the 9.30am Mass in the Library room, at 10:45am.

**Hillingdon Food bank:** Next collection **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**.

**Church Cleaning Team-** Reminder of the next cleaning date will be **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 09:15am & Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm**. Please check narthex for dates and details of how to join team.



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Dear Parishioners,

‘He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.’

In today's Gospel, we hear about an encounter between Jesus and some Sadducees. We know from the Gospel that the Sadducees were opponents to the belief in resurrection. As a trap they ask Jesus which husband a woman would be married to in heaven, if all seven husbands died, one after the other. The response of Jesus to the Sadducees shows them that sometimes we miss the most important things about what God has planned for us because we get stuck in the details of human existence. Jesus wants us to open our minds and hearts to the possibilities that God has in store for us. Through the resurrection of Jesus, our faith now tells us that when we die our life is changed, not ended. This is good news because we know that we will continue to share a relationship with God even after our death. Jesus shows us that after we die, we will not need the same things we did when we were alive, but we will continue to have a relationship with God. In this week's passage Jesus shows the danger of limiting of our imagination when it comes to eternal life. The Sadducees argued against resurrection because of being stuck in the limits of their earthly perception. They did not want to imagine another possibility for existence and their relationship with God. Jesus proposes that the possibilities of resurrected life may be beyond our imagination but they can be believed in faith. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus, God has opened up the way into eternal life. So now, in the power of the Holy Spirit and nourished by the presence of the Church and her Sacraments in our lives and following the Gospel commandments of love, we are assured that we can join God forever in heaven. Let us reflect this week on how we can grow in our belief that an eternal relationship with God is possible because ‘He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.’

God bless you,  
*Fr Martin*

**Senior Citizen Christmas Lunch Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2:15PM AT Douay Martyrs Catholic School** Delighted to say we have the Senior Citizens Christmas lunch back on the school calendar for 15/20 Senior Citizens. If you would like to attend please contact the Parish office [Eastcote@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:Eastcote@rcdow.org.uk) or telephone 0208 866 6581.

**The Sick & Retired Priests' 5th & 6th November:** Our second collection this weekend will be in support of the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. By giving a gift to the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you will help ensure all of our sick and retired priests are cared for at their time of need, after years of service to God and their parishioners. The fund will be used to meet essential costs, like making a flat accessible to a disabled priest. It could ensure a priest has regular visits from a carer after undergoing surgery. If you took a donation envelope last weekend, please place it in the collection bag today. If you do not have an envelope, there are some available in the pews and at the back of the church. The envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online. If you are able, please consider filling out a standing order form, meaning you become a Patron and make a regular gift to support our sick and retired priests. Please be generous and remember our clergy, in active ministry, retired or ill, in your prayers. Thank you.

**November Dead** During November, Mass is regularly offered for the deceased. If you would like deceased family and friends remembered then make a list and, enclosing an offering, deposit the envelope into the special box on the sanctuary. The lists and envelopes are now available in the Narthex welcome table.

**Blessing of Graves.**

The blessing of graves in **Northwood Cemetery** will take place on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November** at **2.00pm**. It will start with a short act of worship by the war memorials followed by individual blessing of graves by the priests who are there.



**Free  
Entry!**

**Donations to the Ukraine  
Appeal Welcome**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**  
**St. Thomas More Parish Hall**  
Doors open 7.00pm  
Singing starts 7.30pm

# **An Evening of Christmas Song**



**Led by the St. Thomas More Folk Group**

There will be an interval - bring  
food, drink, crockery and utensils  
for your own table.

Sign-up list in the Church narthex. Please let us know  
how many people you will be bringing so we can set up  
tables and chairs accordingly.

