

St Thomas More Catholic Church

SUNDAY 4TH JUNE, +THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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MASS INTENTIONS + THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY 4TH JUNE

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) MARY & PETER KILKENNY
09:30AM FOR PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
11:30AM IN THANKSGIVING FOR BERNIE CURTIS

MONDAY 5TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM JOHN HINDE RIP

TUESDAY 6TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM HOLY SOULS

WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN
09:00AM JEANETTE SCIPIO RIP

THURSDAY 8TH JUNE

9:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN
ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAY 9TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN FOR MORNING PRAYER
09:30AM MR MICHAEL O'DWYER RIP

SATURDAY 10TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN FOR MORNING PRAYER
09:30AM ROSE FARRELL RIP A

FOLLOWED BY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS

+ THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

SUNDAY 11TH JUNE

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) JOHN AND CHRISSE KANE AND FAMILY RIP A
09:30AM FOR PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
11:30AM IN THANKSGIVING FOR HELEN HINDE

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OFFICE OPEN: 09:30AM-2:00PM (Mon-Wed only)

Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers:

Laura Swan, Kerri Hepworth, Yvonne Grasso, Hilda Minoli, Mary Cullen, 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

Cora Farrelly & John Kent.

For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time

Harry Butler.

St Vincent De Paul Society The next SVP meeting will take place on **Sunday 11th June** after 9.30am Mass in the Library room, at 10:45am.

The Life Ascending Group meeting next on **Wednesday 14th June** at **2.30pm** in the Library and will every fortnight thereafter. Their welcome extends to all Christians in their middle to later years. Please come along on Wednesday.

Church Cleaning Team- Reminder of the next cleaning dates will be **Thursday 1st June at 7pm** and **Thursday 8th June at 9:15am**. Please do check narthex for dates and details of how to join team, sign up sheet in the Narthex.

Hillingdon Food Bank Next collection 20th June.

Tomatoe & Bean plant sale- thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the sale. It was a sell out! The parish have raised £78 towards the Grotto Appeal!



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Dear Parishioners,

'Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, and baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.'

This Sunday's Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity presents us with a mystery that is so deep and transcendent that our eternity will be spent in perpetual wonder and contemplation. The Holy Trinity is not first a theological mystery to try and define, but a communion of divine persons we are invited to know and love. We do not primarily come to know God through intellectual deduction but through love and prayerful union with him. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are divine persons. We are all called to a relationship of love with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Though our limited minds may not be able to fully comprehend the essence of God, he will draw us deeper and deeper into a knowledge of him if we let him. Our model for prayer is Jesus himself, we hear in the Gospels of Jesus spending time in communion with his Father, in loving adoration and prayer. Jesus needed to pray in order to be confirmed in his Father's love, so that he could fulfil his mission. In Eastertide we have celebrated once again with gratitude the salvific gift we have received through the offering of God's divine Son for us on the Cross. Last Sunday we celebrated the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and the birthday of the Church. Let us reflect, today, upon the Most Holy Trinity. As we do let us pray to God asking for a deeper and more intimate knowledge of this mystery. Asking God to show us his divine love and to open our minds and hearts to a deeper understanding of who he is. Let us be humble before the great mystery of the inner life of God. Humility before the mystery of God means that we know how little we know about him and how little we know of him, but that humble truth will help us move closer to the deeper relationship of love to which we are called.

God bless you,
Fr Martin

New Bible and Prayer Group – An Ignatian Bible study and Prayer Group is being started by one of our parishioners. Initially meetings will be in a private house in the parish on every other Wednesday from 5pm – 6.30pm. All ages are welcome. Please call the parish office to register interest and to find out more details.eastcote@rcdow.org.uk or telephone 0208 866 6581.

St Thomas More Feast day to celebrate the parish special feast day there will be a mass on **Thursday 22nd June** at **6pm** followed by an International themed bring and share supper. Everyone welcome. Please save the date. More information to follow soon.

Healing and Deliverance Retreat - Fr Joseph Edattu

When: **Sunday 4th June 2023, 17:00-21:00**

Where: St Raphael's RC Church, Yeading, UB4 9JP

Topic: "Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:32.)

All are welcome

RCIA – We hope to be running an RCIA course from this September; the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. This is an opportunity to learn about the wonderful truths and tradition of the Catholic Christian Church with the possible view to being baptised or received into the Church at Easter 2024. This is a very good moment to ask a spouse, friend or neighbour if this might be something they would like to explore, without any initial commitment. We would also like to hear from anyone who would like to be part of the team to help facilitate the course in the parish.

History of St Thomas More parish

Dear Parishioners,

I am researching the past of our Parish with a view to writing a definitive history that may prove interesting for present and future parishioners.

To this end I would welcome any thoughts and experiences that you, individually, may have, the names and dates of priests that have served St Thomas More, even for a brief period, would be particularly valuable and although I have some knowledge I am certain that others could fill in gaps.

Before and after the building of the current church in 1978 there were a number of activities that helped cement the religious and social fabric of our congregation that exists today. From dances and quiz evenings and art and flower exhibitions much has been achieved and I would wish to make reference to these events in the narrative with, hopefully, photographs and maybe original literature. If you are able to help please contact me as below and do not assume that others will have already contributed your information. As an example, the STM (St Thomas More) Club was a focal point of the parish for many years but do you know who was in charge? Equally, there was a 'Toddlers' group, a Montessori school, Scouts and Brownies and various committees that have helped in the past.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by e-mail, note or telephone call if you have something to offer or can help in any way; I need reminding of past occasions so I would appreciate as much information as possible. I can do the research but just need the bones of the event or occasion to start.

Many thanks.

Bernard Luckhurst

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Survive-Miva Appeal There will be a second collection this weekend and Lectern appeal from Brendan Metcalfe on behalf of Survive-Miva. The Missionary charity provides vehicle grants to support the Catholic Church health outreach work and pastoral ministry in the developing world.

Friends of the Holy Land. On the weekend 10th/11th June, Brendan Metcalfe, Executive Director of Friends of the Holy Land, will speak about the work of the Friends and the difference it makes to the small Christian population in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza (Palestine) and Jordan. There will be a retiring collection and Brendan will bring some leaflets about the work of Friends of the Holy Land. For more information, visit www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk.

West Middlesex Catenians are organising a guided tour of Bentley Priory Museum on 15th July 2023. This will comprise a talk on the museum and the Battle of Britain. <https://bentleypriorymuseum.org.uk/>

Entrance costs-

Adult £8.80

Concessions £7.70

Child (6-16yrs) £4.40

We will also finish with afternoon tea in the canteen which can be reserved for a small additional cost. If you are interested please contact Richard or Tessa Maude on rmaude@blueyonder.co.uk at least 2 weeks before.

Parish Catechetical Coordinator/Pastoral Assistant vacancy at Sacred Heart Church Ruislip 25 hours per week. For further information please visit website <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/> or contact Parish Office Ruislip [01895 632739](tel:01895632739).