

# St Thomas More Catholic Church

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

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## MASS INTENTIONS

+ ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 18TH JUNE

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) PATRICK O'ROURKE RIP

09:30AM CATHLEEN WORRELL RIP

11:30AM FOR PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

### MONDAY 19TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT ANNA HILL

### TUESDAY 20TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT JUDY DOKE

11:30AM FUNERAL OF JOHN KENT RIP

### WEDNESDAY 21ST JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:00AM PRIVATE INTENTION

### THURSDAY 22ND JUNE

9:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

6PM IN THANKSGIVING ST THOMAS MORE FEAST DAY

*(followed by International Evening in the Parish hall)*

### FRIDAY 23RD JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT NORA AND MICHAEL SCOTT

### SATURDAY 24TH JUNE

09:00-11AM CHURCH OPEN

09:30AM INT PETER O'BRIEN

FOLLOWED BY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS

+ TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY 25TH JUNE

06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) INT MOIRA O'ROURKE

09:30AM SHEILA FITZGERALD RIP A

11:30AM IN THANKSGIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

CANDIDATES.

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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

John Kent.

## For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time

Bill Polsinelli, Fr Michael Connor, Albert Huguenin and Eileen Powley

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**St Vincent De Paul Society** The next SVP meeting will take place on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June** after 9.30am Mass in the Library room, at 10:45am.

**The Life Ascending Group** meeting next on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm** and **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 09:15**. Please do check narthex for dates and details of how to join team, sign up sheet in the Narthex.

We would like to recruit some new volunteers for the cleaning team. If you are available for 1 hour every 3 weeks on Thursdays at either 09:15am or 7pm. All help would be much appreciated. Please contact Pat Faille on 0208 429 3943 or email [pat.faille@btinternet.com](mailto:pat.faille@btinternet.com).



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

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Dear Parishioners,

“The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.”

This Sunday's readings find us returning to 'Ordinary Time' in our liturgical year. Our Gospel tells us about the calling of the Apostles. We are told that the heart of Jesus is 'moved with pity' for the crowds before him as he could see they were 'troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.' The sight of them evoked compassion, concern and mercy from within him and led him to call others to be sent out to minister in his name and with his authority. Jesus gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. As Jesus looks at each of us, he gazes at us as he gazed at the crowds long ago. The same depths of mercy and compassion are evoked within his Sacred Heart. As we look at our own life, our struggles, our spiritual needs and our desire to grow in faith, we can ask how God has fed us? Who has God spoken to us through? Who has helped us to see and understand that God has so loved us that he has given his only Son as a sacrifice of love for our salvation? Any time we have encountered the grace of God through another, it happened because the 'master of the harvest' chose to send a labourer to us. When good fruit is borne in our life, it was God who initiated that good work through another, out of the mercy and compassion of his Son's Sacred Heart. Let us reflect, today, on the image of Jesus gazing at us with love and choosing to send his ministers to us in his name and with his authority. Let us ask the Lord of the harvest to inspire and send labourers to his harvest and that we might be also sent to others who need our love. God loves each one of us and has a heart full of compassion for each of us. Let us give thanks for this gift of faith and share it with all those God puts in our lives.

God bless you,

*Fr Martin*

**Day with Mary** – On **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July** the parish will be hosting the Day with Mary which is a whole day of Holy Mass, Rosary, hymns, devotions, talks and prayers in honour of Our Lady. The day runs from 10am – 5.30pm, with Mass at the start of the day at 10am. (This will replace the normal parish Mass.) See the posters and leaflets for details. All are welcome.

**Flower Festival- St Lawrence Church Eastcote-** Come and see 26 beautiful floral art arrangement on the theme Renewal, Transition & Hope, to celebrate the renewal of the church building on **23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> June**. Please see poster in the narthex for further information.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER EASTCOTE** invite you to the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration afternoon tea which will include a short service and AGM. On **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** at 4pm St Lawrence Church, Bridle Road. (garden behind the St Lawrence Centre. Please see poster in the narthex for further information. All welcome

**DAY FOR A LIFE-** On **17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> June** there will be a second collection for Day for a life. The funds raised will support life projects across the whole spectrum of life. Please visit website for further information

[https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/.](https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/)

## **Feast of St Thomas More**

Further to the announcements made at last weekend's masses and last night's planning meeting, we can now announce more details of our patronal feast celebration and 10 Years of Fr Martin's ordination to be held on **Thursday 22 June 2023**.

The mass will start at 6pm in which there will be musical accompaniment.

This will be followed by a bring and share meal in the church hall. The idea is that everyone brings something and we all share it. To reflect the international nature of our parish we are asking people to bring specific country dishes with a note of explanation.

Paper plates, napkins, disposable glasses and knives and forks will be provided but please bring your own drinks.

Lists will be available in the church this weekend, please sign up to indicate

- how many of you are coming
- what you are bringing
- if you can come at 5pm to help to set up
- if you can help and clear up at the end of the celebration

If you can't sign up physically, please mail the above information to the parish office

We are keen to encourage the wearing of national costumes especially for the children who will form the offertory procession.

Please pass this information to other parishioners who may not have heard the announcements so we can make the evening a real voice of thanks for our parish and Fr Martin.

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**Connex Community** welcomes you to come along and enjoy a 3 course Fish and Chip lunch, followed by bingo and other fun activities with refreshments. Cost £15 per ticket. To book a place please contact [Jeremey.Child@communityconnex.co.uk](mailto:Jeremey.Child@communityconnex.co.uk) or 07734 995 115. Please see poster in the narthex for further information.

**Finance Committee** Are you in a position to support Fr Martin and the Finance Committee? We are currently looking for new and enthusiastic members to join our friendly team. This is a valuable example of collaborative ministry. You do not have to be of a financial background. If you would like to hear more, please contact Karen Berry – Chair of the Finance Committee, or speak with Fr. Martin directly.

**100 club Membership/renewal.** If you would like to renew your 100 Club Draw Membership or become a new member, please pick up a New Membership form or renewal envelope which are available in the narthex. The first Draw of the new year will take place at the end of July 2023! Please place your completed form and envelope in the collection plate.

**HILLINGDON FOOD BANK**- Next collection Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

# Feast of St Thomas More



**Thursday 22nd June**  
**6pm Mass**

**followed by**

an international themed bring and share meal

## Come and celebrate our Patronal Feast

- ⇒ Starting with Mass and then moving into the hall at 7pm for a social with an international theme.
- ⇒ Experience the delights of dishes from around the world prepared for you by other parishioners from 7.15pm.
- ⇒ From 8.30pm relax and enjoy musical entertainment finishing at 9.30pm

**SIGN UP SHEET AT THE BACK OF CHURCH**  
**FOR NUMBERS and FOOD**

Disposable plates, cutlery, napkins provided-or bring your own if you prefer.

**BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS**