

## ANNIVERSARIES IN JUNE

Please remember the following :

† Fr. Pat Taylor, Trevor York-Starkey, Nancy Cuffe, Thomas James Hatch, George Ranger, Frederick Bradley, Robert Wicks, Stella Yuille, Catherine Woods, Bridget Du Boisson, Terry Murphy, Adalmair Gabrielli De Amorim, Tony Brown, Joan Clarke, Peter Grant, Joan Skipper, Leslie Skingle, Hannah Hance, Vicky Cutter, Frank Miller, Mary Regan, Mary Cole, Joan Baron, Paul Duddy, Tom Finigan, Lilian Fenwick, Vera Sheehan, Jean Jagelman, Norman Reid, Angelina Vidler, Curtis Sweet, William Raycraft, Alex Jarno, Mary Browne, Robert Wheatley, Michael Kelly, Catherine Doherty, Kathleen Wallen, Cornelius Kelliher, Julia Kalogerides, Bridget Tobin, Bill Cooke, Frank Smith, Suhaila Mana, Philomena O'Sullivan, Bridie Priestley †

## MASS RESPONSES

**Responsorial Psalm 6pm and 8.45am**

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm 10.45am**

I will celebrate your love for ever, Yahweh.  
Age on age, my words proclaim your love.  
For I claim that love is built to last forever,  
founded firm your faithfulness.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

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## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

**Those who receive Holy Communion at home:**

Jo Williams, Phyllis Green, Eileen Barber, Tom Costello, Eileen Glyde, Roland de Cruz, Patrick Murray, Christine Leaver, Patricia Connoly, Neil O'Boyle, Dolly Poskitt, Michael Ryan, June Dillon, Severino D'Andrea, Carmel Collis, Rudolf Seneca, Kate Baron, Jack Pollock, Eddie Kells. **Other friends and family in our prayers:** Jane Barker, Kitty Grange, Robert Walliker, Sonia Curtis, Julie Stubbs, Colin Bennett, Edith Kemp, Janet Bernard, Eileen Malone, Margaret Button, Eileen Wilson, Theo Kalogerides, Maureen Woodcock, Rosie Stubbs, Mark Whitton, Shirley Essex, Emma Tredgett, Elisa Roffey, Anthony Betts, Gary Perez, Karel O'Rourke, Doug Woulds, Monica McGrath, Michael Tobin, Marion Storey, Alison Gleave, Joan Butcher, Pat Davison, Jackie and Ron Gravestock, Lesley Sullivan, Liam Bryan, Don Cannon, Steve Magee, Cath Wilks, Brigid Hogan, Gabriella Magee, Lorna Smith, Sylvia Asuquo, Michelle Oatham, Yvonne Byford, James Corr, Hilary Bliss, Paul Herbert.

**To arrange visits to the sick and house-bound please contact Sharon in the office.**

**New to the Parish? Please go to our website and fill in your details and Fr Brett will contact you in due course.**

**Parish Administrator: Sharon Chambers**

**Office Open:** Mon 8.30am - 3pm; Tues

8.30am - 3pm; Thurs 8am - 1.30pm; Fri

8.30am - 5pm

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*The Catholic Parish of*

# ST. GEORGE and the English Martyrs

*Twinned with Mpuluzi, South Africa*

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A



## NEWS ON OUR TWINNED PARISH

For a number of years our parish has been twinned with the parish of Damesfontein in the Diocese of Dundee, South Africa. Parishes in the Diocese of Brentwood support their twin parish to help them develop by funding long term projects and /or immediate needs like feeding and clothing the many orphaned children.

Due to a reorganisation in the Mpumalanga area, Damesfontein, where the original mission was established, has become part of the Mpuluzi parish which has 10 outstations. The current priests, Fr Gaspart and Fr. Robert are Pallotines from the Cameroon.

However, we wish to maintain the established links with the schools, creches and day centres in Mpuluzi and are discussing the new twinning arrangement with Mpuluzi with Fr Gerald Gostling.

As facilities are minimal the FMM sisters at Mpuluzi welcome groups to use the halls which form the Day Centre and Creche at weekends. The youth or adult groups bring their own mattresses and up to 200 meet at this makeshift Pastoral centre. But as the building is designed for very young children there is a desperate need for washing/shower facilities.

Sr Thao, our contact in Mpuluzi, has costed the provision of 2 showers on a piece of ground at the rear of one of the halls. Simply built with breeze blocks and a tin roof, basic water pipes and shower curtains the cost will total 15000 Rand, approximately £900. For a little more the facilities could be finished off with a coat of paint.

Our Parish Justice & Peace group are committed to support this project as it will benefit the whole Deanery which is widespread. Meeting and staying together (even if it means all piling into one hall) is important and uplifting for the community.

For more information re the J&P group please contact Brian Fitzgerald on 07817842604 (bfitzg6306@sky.com).

**Our next meeting is Tuesday 4th July, 1.45pm for 2pm, in the Church Hall.**

**1st JULY – 9th JULY 2017**

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

<b>Saturday 1st</b>	6.00pm	<b>Josephine and Anthony Micallef RIP</b> (Pauline and Barry Pope) <i>and</i> <b>For All Parishioners</b>
<b>Sunday 2nd</b>		<i>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
	8.45am*	<b>Frank Smith RIP</b> (Jan Hatch)
	10.45am	<b>Joyce and Ron Taylor RIP</b> (Sylvia)
<b>Monday 3rd</b>		<i>St Thomas</i>
	9.15am	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Tuesday 4th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am*	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Wednesday 5th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	11.30am	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Thursday 6th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Friday 7th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am	<b>Clemente Mancino RIP</b> (Margherita and Ian)
<b>Saturday 8th</b>		
	6.00pm	<b>Gratitude to Sacristans and Ushers</b> (Sylvia)
<b>Sunday 9th</b>		<i>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sea Sunday)</i>
	8.45am*	<b>For All Parishioners</b>
	10.45am	<b>Robert Wheatley RIP</b> (Johanna and Family)

\*At St. Gregory's, Thorpe Bay

**Confessions**—Saturday 5pm to 5.45pm. Other times may be available upon request.

**Morning Prayer will begin at 9am, followed by Mass at 9.15am, on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** - Adoration is on Friday mornings following the Mass. Benediction will take place at 11.45am.

**CLERGY MOVES**

The bishop has made the following clergy appointments/moves which will take effect from 16/17 September 2017: -

**Parish Priests**

Fr Chris Brooks from Chingford, OLG to Colchester

Fr Francis Coveney from South Woodford to Chingford, OLG

Fr Neil Brett from Upton Park to South Woodford

Fr Angelus Houle returns from Cor et Lumen Christi Community in Chertsey to Upton Park

Fr Maurice Gordon from Walthamstow, St George to Elm Park

Fr James McShane from Elm Park to Danbury/South Woodham Ferrers

Fr Niall Harrington from Danbury/South Woodham Ferrers to Walthamstow

Fr Dominic Howarth will move into Abbotswick.

Canon Tony McKentey from Colchester to Halstead

Fr Brian McGilloway will be retiring

**Priests-in-Charge**

Fr Daniel Kelly is appointed Priest-in-Charge at Holy Trinity, Basildon and St Therese of Lisieux at Laindon

Fr Paul Kerner (new to the diocese) is appointed Priest-in-Charge at St Basils, Basildon.

+Alan Williams, sm will live in the Presbytery at Laindon.

Fr Sabu Pariyadin (RCJ) remains at Springfield

Fr Thomas Madukkamoottil (Syro Malankara) who has been based at Hainault to St John the Baptist, Ilford.

Fr Joseph Soosai Marian (SCA) Assistant Priest from Barking, STM to Becontree

**OFFERTORY**

The Offertory last week came to £911.12 excluding Gift Aid and Standing Orders. Many thanks to you all for your generosity.

**A FINAL THOUGHT...**

Where will I find help? It will come from the Lord who created the heavens and the earth. *(Psalm 121:1-2)*

## ST BERNARD'S HIGH SCHOOL

### Open Evening for Year 5 Students

(Prospective Year 7 in 2018)

Wednesday 12 July 2017

6.00pm to 9.00pm

We shall be delighted to welcome to our Open Evening Year 5 girls, together with their parents / carers, who are interested in joining St Bernard's High School's Year 7 in September 2018.

We are also offering an opportunity for prospective parents / carers to visit the School during a normal school day on Tuesday 17 October, Wednesday 18 October and Thursday 19 October between 9.30am and 11.00am. No appointments are necessary: guided tours will be available from Reception between these times.

### MONSIGNOR GEORGE STOKES RIP

There will be a Memorial Mass for Mgr George Stokes RIP on Thursday 6th July in the Cathedral at 11.30am. All are welcome.

### LIVING FAITH

Copies of Living Faith are now available in the porch of St. George's. If you would like to receive one on a regular basis please ring Sharon.

## ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SCHOOL

### OPEN EVENING

Thursday 6th July 6pm to 9pm

For families who have a son due to transfer to Secondary School in September 2018. Come and see the school and meet the staff and pupils. The Head Teacher's Talk will begin at 7pm. If you are unable to come along please contact the school in order to get a SIF form.

If you are a prospective Sixth Form student, you are welcome, but there is an Open Evening for those currently in Year 10 on the 23rd November.

### 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Abbotswick Diocesan House of Prayer, Brentwood

11.30am - 4.30pm 8th July 2017

Please join us for this wonderful event. A Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at 2pm by Bishop Alan Williams and Bishop Emeritus Thomas Mc Mahon. You are invited to bring a packed lunch. Cake and refreshments will be provided. For further information please call 01277 373959 or visit our website [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org).

### LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

If you need a low gluten host please speak with an usher on arrival in Church, and they will arrange this.

## COFFEE MORNING

This weekend Rebekah Conroy is raising money for her Lourdes pilgrimage with the BCYS. Come and join us for tea, coffee, cakes and lots of chat!



Next weekend, 669 will be here, raising money for parish infrastructure.

### CONFIRMATION 2018

Will you be in Year 10 or above from September onwards? If so, we would like to invite you to put your name forward for Confirmation next year. At present we are only trying to get an idea of numbers; details of the programme will follow when we know the date of Bishop Alan's visit in 2018. Please telephone or email the office to register your interest. If you have any questions please speak directly with Fr Brett.

### THIS WEEKEND

We welcome Fr Basil Pearson who will be covering for Fr Brett this weekend. Fr Brett returns from his retreat on Friday the 7th July, refreshed and raring to go (and obviously not able to play the jet lag card as he is only travelling back from South Wales!).

## RETIRING COLLECTIONS

**1/2 July** - This weekend we are collecting for Peter's Pence. This is the name given to the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their sharing in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the Universal Church and for the relief of those most in need.

**8/9 July** - Next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection for Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. For more information about its work, visit [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

### BAPTISM COURSE

It is a requirement of the Catholic Church that you attend a course if you are planning on having your child baptised. Ours is a one-off session with the next one taking place on Wednesday 5th July, 7.45pm for 8pm, in St. George's Church. If you want to get your child baptised please ring Sharon to book your place.



## HOMELESS NEWS

This month we are asking for Tins or Packets of Hot Dogs; Tins of Meatballs, Chilli con Carne, Minced Beef or Chicken in Sauce.

Thank you so much to everyone who donates regularly.

## COFFEE MORNINGS

The new Coffee Morning rota will run for a year from the 1st November. If any group would like to be included please email or telephone the office. The rota will be prepared in September.

Also, someone booked a coffee morning for Save the Children on the 20th August. Can that person please contact Sharon.

## IMPORTANT NEWS RE OFFICE

The Presbytery work continues, hopefully now seven weeks to go and counting! During this time **the office is situated in the Sacristy and all visitors should use the back door to the church** which is off the driveway at the back of the hall. There are signs directing you - please remember to turn left as you come through the gate at the rear of the Church Hall. Several people have ended up in the garden!

## PARISH COFFEE MORNING

Many thanks to all the families who supported the coffee morning on Sunday. With your help we raised £105.56 for parish funds.

## MEDITATIVE ROSARY

The Rosary Group meet every Tuesday in St. George's Church at 8pm. Please come and join us.



## MAINTENANCE OF THE GARDENS

**St George's** - Can we have a few more volunteers to help with a bit of weeding in the gardens around St. George's please? We are a bit low on numbers. Anytime that you could give would be much appreciated. Please either telephone or email the office.

**St. Gregory's** - Could you spare an hour or two once a month or so?

We need help to keep the grounds up to scratch. If you feel you can help, please contact

Jim Filmer on: - 01702 585839 or email [Jfilmer@talk21.com](mailto:Jfilmer@talk21.com)



## YOUTH JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

The Youth J & P Group meet up for the last time this term on Friday of this week, the 7th July, at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Anyone from Year 8 and above is welcome.

## PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

Yes, we have finally moved into the 21st century and have our own Facebook page! Please type in St George and the English Martyrs and *Like* our page.



**For those of you who enjoy using smartphone technology, click on this QRCode and go directly to our new Facebook page!**



## 300 CLUB

The lucky winners of the most recent draw are: - £50 Mr. F. McEvoy; £20 Mr. D. Braybrook; £15 Mrs. M. Taylor; £15 Mrs. C. Wallen. Congratulations to you all. Cheques will be signed once Fr Brett gets back from holiday.

## REPOSITORY NEWS

Serena will be standing by the Repository Stall before and after the Masses this weekend, and then fortnightly throughout the Summer. If there is anything you particularly want, please speak with her.

## Book Review - 'Across to Lourdes'

Lourdes is central to Caroline Statham's book. (Caroline is one of our parishioners.) We see how personal tragedy led to Caroline setting up a Southend branch of the Across Charity whereby many sick people journeyed to Lourdes. We gain insights into the motivation of those who give of themselves for the good of others in our community.

A copy of the book is available for loan from the repository table.

## BARGAIN CORNER

**Mobility Scooter** - Freerider FR168-4A looking for a new home. If you are interested please contact Sharon and she will put you in touch with the owner.

**Various Curtains** - Does anyone need any curtains? These are long patterned ones - either green, red or gold tones. Again, contact Sharon.