St. Thomas of Canterbury RC Church Newsletter

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**Funerals:** **Cacilia Henthorn** Funeral Mass at St Thomas’ on Tuesday 4th June at 12 noon followed by burial at Woodlands Cemetery at 2pm. **Caroline Medhurst** Funeral Service at Bobbing Crematorium on Wednesday 5th June at 4pm. Please remember their family and friends in your prayers. May they rest in peace, Amen**.**

**This Sunday is World Communications Day** - when we are asked to pray for those who work in the media, particularly for those who are responsible for communicating on behalf of the Catholic Church in this country. There will be a second collection taken after Mass to fund this important work and please take a prayer card available from the rear of church.

**Coffee, Cake & Ghana!**Sunday 2 June after10.30 Mass in the Parish Centre. A presentation on the trip to Ahotokurom our young people took last year and the projects we support there.

**SVP Meeting -** 7.00pm on Tuesday 4th June at no 63 London Road.

**Eucharistic Service** on 5th and 11th June and **10am Mass** on 4th and 12 June.

**Tuesday 11th June 2019 -** there will beaMass at 7.30pm to celebrate the Consecration Anniversary of our church St. Thomas of Canterbury.

**UCM MEMBERS -**Cheese & Wine Party at 8pm on Wednesday 5 June 2019 in the Parish Centre, Rainham.  Admission £4.00, ‘Bring & Buy’, bring a bottle and a raffle price.

**Quiz Night in Parish Centre -**Saturday 8th June at 7pm. £5 entry, BYO drinks & nibbles. All proceeds help towards funding one of our young people to work in Ghana this summer. For more details call Sarah on 07947 762267.

**Churches Together Pentecost Service -** St Margaret’s Church, 9th June at 6.30pm. Call Lindsay on 07906534608 if interested in joining the music group/singers/musicians.

**Diocesan Youth Day 22nd June,** **Aylesford Priory** **-** A great opportunity to meet other young exploring some of the themes from the Pope's Apostolic Exhortation. The day finishes with a BBQ and Mass. Open to school years 7-11. Booking in advance contact Sarah on 07947 762267 who is organising a parish group or email **scys@rcaos.org.uk**

**Arthur’s Ordination –** We hope to organise a coach for people who wish to attend Arthur’s ordination on Saturday 6th July at St George’s Cathedral. If you are interested please give your name to Emma or on the list at the back of the Church. Cost £10 return.

**National Mass for Travellers -** Saturday 6th July at the Shrine of St Winefride at Holywell in North Wales. The day will begin at 12pm with a Relic Service at St Winefride's Well, followed by Mass in the Shrine Chapel at 12.30 and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 3-4pm.

**‘POP UP’ Charity Shop (Jumble Sale) -** Saturday 13th July in the Parish Centre, 2.30-4.30pm being held by Cynthia Johnson to raise money for an after-school club for vulnerable children in Ukraine. Donations of clothes, toys, books, DVDs/CDs and bric-a-brac wanted. Please call Medway 370506 or 07963 940294 to arrange collection.

**Collections –**25th & 26th May main collection amounted to £998.46 incl. S/O’s.

**June 2019**

**Saturday St Justin**

1 Sat 10.00 People of the Parish

 **Confessions 10.30 – 11.00 &** **17.30 – 17.45**

**7th Sunday** 18.00 Margaret Hanley (Jean Doherty)

 **2nd Collection for World Communications Day**

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**Sunday SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - World Communications Day**

2 Sun10.30 Audrey Fernandez (Noel Fernandez)

 18.00 Margaret Jaruis RIP (Patricia Champ)

 **2nd Collection for World Communications Day**

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3 Mon **St Charles Lwanga and Companions**

 10.00 Delia Back (C&M Mickleburgh)

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4 Tues **- Feria** 10.00 Corinne Bond RIP

 12.00 Funeral Mass for Cacilia Henthorn

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5 Wed **St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr**

10.00 **Eucharistic Service**

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6 Thur **St Norbert, Bishop**

 10.00 M Shackleford (F&P Green)

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7 Fri **- Feria** 10.00 Elizabeth Mountain (Ana Brown)

 19.30 Mass, Adoration and Benediction - Private Intention

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**Next Saturday Feria**

8 Sat 10.00 Wedding of Sarah & David (T Durham)

 **Confessions 10.30 – 11.00 &** **17.30 – 17.45**

**Pentecost** 18.00 John Mullarkey RIP (Anne Lewis)

 **2nd Collection for Catholic Trust for England and Wales (CaTEW)**

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**Next Sunday PENTECOST SUNDAY - Day of Prayer for the Church**

9 Sun10.30 Bill Devine (Ann & girls)

 18.00 People of the Parish

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