St. Thomas of Canterbury RC Church Newsletter

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**Parish Secretary**: Emma’s office hours this week 9 - 12pm Mon

Emma will be away from the office from 12th June until 27th June.

**Fr. Tom** will be away from the Parish from Monday 18th June, returning Saturday 21st July. We wish him a pleasant and peaceful holiday. Fr Luke will be supplying for Fr Tom in his absence.

**Funerals: Arthur Punyer** Funeral Mass will take place at St Thomas’ on Tuesday 19th June at 10:00am followed by committal at The Garden of England Crematorium, Bobbing.

**Dr Antonio Cyril de Souza** Funeral Mass will take place at St Thomas’ on Thursday 21st June at 10:00am followed by committal at The Garden of England Crematorium at 11:00am. Please remember their families and friends in your prayers. May they rest in peace, Amen**.**

**JUNE INTENTION of the HOLY FATHER** - In June we pray with Pope Francis that “*social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences*”.

**Fire Drill Practice –** will be undertaken at the end of all Masses this weekend.

**CaTEW Collection –** supports the legal, financial and charitable activities of the Bishops’ Conference, its departments, agencies and offices. This collection helps supply the Bishops of England and Wales with the revenue necessary for the central administration of the Church in this country.

**Newman Circle** **-** Sunday 10th June, [53 Cherry Tree Road, Rainham](https://maps.google.com/?q=53+Cherry+Tree+Road,+Rainham&entry=gmail&source=g) at 7.30pm.  Any queries please contact Marie Casey on 389095.

**SVP meeting -** Tuesday 12th June at 7pm in No 63 London Rd. New members most welcome.

**Saturday 16th June** **-** We are expecting a group of girls from a French Catholic school called Marie Pila, in Carpentras, near Avignon, France to join us celebrate 6pm Mass. Please welcome them to our Parish.

**Parish Quiz Night** **-** Saturday16th June at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Tickets £7. All funds raised are in aid of the refurbishment of St Thomas’ Church Organ. For further information or tickets please contact John Payne on 01634 362896.

**Rota’s for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers** -The above have been emailed and/or are at the back of the church.

**Noticeboards** at rear of Churchwhere you can find details of all the following events:-

A Day with Mary Saturday 14th July The Shrine of St Augustine Ramsgate.

£1,000 to take your family to Dublin World Meeting of Families, August 21-26

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 24th-31st August (details and forms at rear of church)

St John Fisher Secondary School 40 year reunion, 1st Sept 2018

Pilgrimage to The Holy Land, 26th November to 4th December 2018

**Collections –** 2nd & 3rd May main collection amounted to £1094.95 incl. S/O’s.

**June 2018**

**Saturday The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9 Sat10.00 Maurice Springate RIP (J&J Viotto)

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

15.00 Sacrament of the Sick

18.00 Maura & Peter Clarke RIP (Ursula Clarke)

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

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**Sunday TENTH SUNDAY**

10 Sun10.30 Shirley Rozario (Marleen Brooks)

18.00 People of the Parish

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

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11 **Mon - St Barnabas** 10.00 Rev Alan Boxall (Morning Mass People)

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12 **Tue - Feria** 10.00 Anne O’Neil RIP (Gina Maplesden)

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13 **Wed - St Anthony** 10.00 Eucharistic Service

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14 **Thur - Feria** 09.15Elizabeth Fernandez (Noel Fernandez)

**School Mass**

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15 **Fri - Feria** 10.00 Charlie Back RIP (Back Family)

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**Next Saturday Our Lady**

16 Sat10.00 Ian Jenner (M Shackleford)

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

18.00 Jack & Margaret Searl RIP (Mary Mickleburgh)

**2nd Collection for Day for Life**

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**Next Sunday ELEVENTH SUNDAY – Day of prayer for Human Life**

17 Sun10.30 Stephen Jones RIP (Alma & John Payne)

18.00 People of the Parish

**2nd Collection for Day for Life**

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