

MASSES THIS WEEK, 16th – 23rd January 2022

All masses can now be attended without booking but social distancing must be observed and all people must record their presence at the main entrance. You can still join in all masses online. **German Masses every Sunday at 11:30am.**

Sunday 16th January SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Peace Sunday

6.00 pm (on Saturday) Vigil Mass: *Ronald Solomon (thanksgiving)*
8.30 am Mass: *David Sundstrom and departed family members*
10.00 am Mass: *People of the Parish*

Monday 17th January

St Anthony, Abbot – Memorial

10:00 am Mass: *(free intention)*

Tuesday 18th January

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

10:00 am Mass: *Yvonne Graham*

Wednesday 19th January

St Wulstan, Bishop – National Calendar

10.00 am Mass: *Anthony Solomon – welfare*

Thursday 20th January

St Sebastian, Martyr

10.00 am Mass: *Jude Solomon RIP*

7.30pm **Christian Unity Service – all welcome.**

Friday 21st January

St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr – Memorial

10.00 am Mass: *Holy Souls*

Sunday 23rd January

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

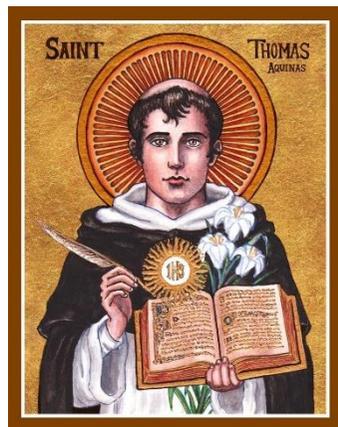
Sunday of the Word of God

6.00 pm (on Saturday) Vigil Mass: *Holy Souls*
8.30 am Mass: *Benjamin Rodrigues & departed family members*
10.00 am Mass: *People of the Parish*

Confessions: Saturday 5:30-5:50pm

Please note the Church will no longer be open on Wednesday afternoons for the time being.

Food Bank – For provisions, call the Food Bank 020 8940 0274 or go to www.richmond.foodbank.org.uk



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

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'This parish exists to create in every place and time the conditions for a personal encounter of individuals with Jesus Christ.'

16th January 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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Readings are on page 127 in the Parish Mass Book: Year C – Volume 1

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

God delights in Israel and will rejoice as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95:1-3, 7-10 response v3

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

All spiritual gifts originate from the same Spirit.

Gospel Reading

John 2:1-11

Jesus performs his first sign at a wedding feast in Cana.

Mass Celebration at church: You do not need to book for the masses but Covid restrictions still apply. Record your name and contact number on the paper in the foyer. Please bring a face mask & keep a social distance. The parish is available for online viewing 24/7, including all masses throughout the week via the following link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=73F00cNGK2c&ab_channel=HamParish. Alternatively, search 'St Thomas Aquinas Ham' into **YouTube** to see the live video.

Church Offerings - Please continue to make your offering for the church directly to Account name: RCAS St Thomas Aquinas Church, Ham Sort Code: 60-50-01, Account Number: 79122469, Ref.: Offer Arranging a standing order at your bank makes things easier for everyone. This particularly applies if you can **GIFT AID** your donation. Please contact John Kane 07920565330 with any questions. Envelope-donations can be handed in at the church. Ensure your donation is labelled with your name and number if you can gift aid.

100+ CLUB Contact Fergus Leahy 020 8546 7360; 07955045300 for details.

100 CLUB: DECEMBER 21 PRIZES: The winners: **1st Prize £120** No. 14 James Poole: **2nd Prize £80** No. 57 Vickie Gottschalk: **3rd Prize £40** No. 127 Helen Jones

Tea and Coffee after 10am Sunday mass: Please feel free to join us!

Marriage preparation 2022: official Southwark diocesan marriage preparation course. **Booking early recommended.** See poster in porch for details and dates.

Peace Sunday: *"The work of Pax Christi is based on the Gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice."*

At the back of Church, there are envelopes and you are invited to offer a contribution if you wish and post it to the address shown on the envelope. Alternatively, you may donate online at www.paxchristi.org.uk.

The parish extends special thanks to the German Community and Phil Lanigan for decorating the church for Christmas; special thanks also to all those who assisted in cleaning the church prior to our Christmas Masses.

Missio Donations: Thank you to all parishioners who returned their red Missio box: I banked **£312.91** and since then 2 more boxes have arrived. This amount is significantly down on the amounts we were collecting pre-pandemic, which is partly due to fact that the main focus of the charity is encouraging people to donate via their red box the odd bits of cash left in pockets etc. and as we all know we moved very quickly during the pandemic to a cash-free society.



You can donate to this wonderful charity via text, bank transfer or cheque.

Please have a look at the poster display in the hall about this charity.

Those parishioners who gave in their red box – **please find an envelope at the back of church with a receipt** in detailing the total of your red box.

Many thanks, Fran Payne: Proud to be part of the Popes charity for world mission.

CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE

From the 18th until the 25th January (Feast of the Conversion of St Paul), the Church observes 8 days prayer for Christian Unity. Our Unity service will be held in the church at **7:30pm on Thursday 20th January**. All welcome!

OUR PATRONAL FEAST

Friday 28th January is our Patronal Feast of St Thomas Aquinas. After the 6.00pm mass on Saturday 29th January, we will have a celebration in the hall. Please see the poster at the back of church for details of this event and please contact Fran Payne at franpayne30@btinternet.com.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK



Monday: ST. ANTHONY, ABBOT (c. 251 – 356) was born into a wealthy family but retired into the Egyptian desert at the age of eighteen. Having faced numerous temptations, he formed a community and counselled those who came to him, including St. Athanasius, who wrote his *Life*. He is honoured as the Patriarch of Monks.

Wednesday: ST. WULSTAN, BISHOP (1008 – 95) became a Benedictine monk at Worcester and was appointed Bishop in 1062. He was the only Englishman to retain his see after the Norman Conquest. His wise and benevolent rule lasted 32 years, during which he rebuilt the cathedral, reformed the diocese and tried to stop the slave-trade at Bristol (then in the Diocese of Worcester). English slaves were sold to Norse traders in Ireland until the twelfth century.



Friday: ST. AGNES, VIRGIN & MARTYR (martyred c.304) came from a noble Roman family. According to a fifth-century 'Life' she was about 13 when she suffered martyrdom by being stabbed in the throat after refusing to marry a pagan. Her name is included in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I). She is often shown with a lamb, a symbol of her purity and also a play on her name (which in Greek = 'chaste') and the Latin word *agnus* (= 'lamb').