

MASSES THIS WEEK, 15th – 22nd January 2023

German Mass 11:45am every Sunday

Sunday 15th January
SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
Peace Day & White Flower Appeal
6.00 pm (on Sat.) Vigil Mass: *Private Intention*
8.30 am Mass: *Private Intention*
10.00 am Mass: *Carlos & Brenda Lara Wellbeing*

Monday 16th January
10.00am Mass: *Violette Daaboul RIP*

Tuesday 17th January

St Anthony, Abbot – Memorial

10.00am Mass: *Kenneth Ellis RIP (Fr Robert's Father)*

Wednesday 18th January

10.00am Mass: *Wellbeing of Robert Morawe and family*

Thursday 19th January

St Wulstan, Bishop

10.00am Mass: *Harry & Ethna Hughes RIP*

Friday 20th January

St Fabian, Pope & Martyr (also St Sebastian, Martyr)

10.00am Mass: *Adela Balinska RIP*

Sunday 22nd January

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6.00 pm (on Sat.) Vigil Mass: *Petro Luczkiw RIP*

8.30 am Mass: *Private Intention*

10.00 am Mass: *Wellbeing of Stephen Frick & family*

Exposition: Monday-Friday 8.50-9.50am

Saturday 5.10-5.50pm

Confessions: Monday-Friday – after 10am Mass

Saturdays – 5.15-5.45pm: before 6pm Mass



Parish prayer of St Thomas Aquinas

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know You, a heart to seek You, wisdom to find You, conduct pleasing to You, faithful perseverance in waiting for You, and a hope of finally embracing You. Amen.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS



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15th January 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Readings on p125

**Entrance Antiphon read
aloud by congregation**

First Reading Isaiah 49:3,5-6

God's servant, Israel, will be made a light to the nations.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 39:2,4,7-10

Here I am Lord! I come to do Your will

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Paul greets the Church in Corinth.

Gospel Reading John 1:29-34

John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

Gospel Acclamation (*Alleluia sung by congregation*)

Communion Antiphon read aloud by congregation



Parish Surgery Mondays 5-7.30pm

PARISH CLERGY CONTACT DETAILS

Assistant Priest: Fr Tomasz Margol tomaszmargol@rcaos.org.uk

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ALL MASSES AVAILABLE TO WATCH LIVE ON YOUTUBE

(see website at www.stthomasaquinasham.org for details)



Bible Study continues Wed 18 Jan **7pm**. Everyone is warmly welcomed!
The topic this week will be **God's faithfulness to his people**

The **White Flower Appeal for the Society for the Protection of Unborn children** takes place **15 Jan**. SPUC wants a world where abortion is unthinkable, and is raising awareness of the widespread problem of coercion in abortions. Thank you for all of your support.

Last week's collection: £592.44

This was made up of £330 standing orders, £30 Gift Aid, £232.44 plate collection (including cashless collection at door). ***Thanks for all your donations!***

Mass attendance last weekend

Sat 6pm: 40 | Sun 8:30am: 27
Sun 10am: 53 | Total: 120

Mass attendance weekday masses

Mon: 12 | Tue: 6 | Wed: 13 | Thu: 12
Fri: 11

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.

Alpha course continues this week! You can still join to learn more about our faith.

Urgent Local Family Support:

We encourage all parish members to support our community by donating listed items for the family shop at St Richards School. Drop off items into the basket in the Church entrance any time you visit our church; or bring them to our cafe on Thursday morning (10:30-12:30). List is visible in info box outside hall entrance door and on notice board in the hall. Please remember body cleansing and hygienic items for young families.

Pray for sick & housebound

Fr Raymund Brennan, Shirly D'Silva, Pat Dawson, Muriel Dunn, Mary Gibbs, Richard Haigh, Michael Kelly, Emmanuel Solomon.

Pray for those who have died

Kenneth Ellis (Fr Robert's father), Anne Pobjoy, Reuben Henriguez, Margie Burn, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Dorothy Caygill, Clive Edward Cook, Anna Marie Davis, Brendan Gately, Jenny Poole, Brian Whitty.

We are hosting a **social event after mass on 21st January** as part of our celebrations to mark the feast day of St Thomas Aquinas and invite you all to join us at 6pm mass and afterwards in the hall for a talk from David Albert Jones a Thomist from Oxford University. **Please sign up to the list at the back of church to let us know how many people are attending and what you can contribute to the joint meal.** Please also let us know at ham@rcaos.org.uk if you can help with the organisation of the meal by helping coordinate the event in advance or on the night. Thank you!

Altar servers' training 4th February at 2:30pm. Application forms available in porch. To be returned to Fr Tomasz or left in the parish office enclosed in an envelope. Thank you!



ST. ANTHONY, ABBOT (c. 251 – 356) was born in Egypt into a wealthy family. The Catholic faith was rapidly spreading through the Roman empire at this time, and Anthony would live to see Emperor Constantine establish Christianity as the official religion of the Empire. After he inherited his parents' vast wealth, he heard one day at church Jesus' words to give it all away and follow Him; he duly did and withdrew himself to the Egyptian desert to live with humility and devotion among other hermits who did the same. At this time, there was no such thing as an organised 'monastic order,' even though there were plenty of others who had decided to renounce their possessions and

live simple lives. He would live isolated even from these hermits, until he re-emerged in the early 4th century and began to provide guidance to those seeking to follow his example. He had not sought to create this kind of community, but he nevertheless became its spiritual leader. Today he is known as the Father of Monasticism. Constantine would later write to St Anthony, asking his advice on how to govern his Christian empire. His memorial is **Tue 17 Jan** (www.catholicnewsagency.com)

Other contact details for members of the Church

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