



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6 SEPTEMBER 2026

"If he listens to you, you have gained your brother."

Mass Times

Sat 05	The Blessed Virgin Mary 09:30 Holy Souls 17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday Joaquim & Maria Carvalho, 50th Wedding Anniversary, Thanksgiving
Sun 06	Twenty-third Sunday 10:00 People of the Parish 11:30 Parish Bible Study Group
Mon 07	Feria 11:00 Requiem Mass Graca Isabel Gray RIP
Tues 08	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast St. Joseph's School new term Mass 09:30 Pupils, Staff and Families of St Joseph's Primary School
Weds 09	Feria 09:30 Holy Souls
Thurs 10	Feria 09:30 Holy Souls
Fri 11	Feria 09:30 Antonio Beirão Monteiro RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 12	The Most Holy Name of Mary 09:30 Holy Souls 17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday People of the Parish
Sun 13	Twenty-fourth Sunday 10:00 Vincenzina Vanedola RIP 12:30 Baptisms Audrey Madeira de Carvall; Anya Celestia Ocampo

Confessions: Saturday 10.00-10.45

Baptisms: Please speak to Fr Jude after Mass

Marriages: Please speak to Mgr Matthew after Mass



"Two or Three are Gathered in my Name", James Tissot (1836 - 1902)

The Catholic Church has shown the most remarkable capacity for survival in the two thousand years of her history. And she has shown a remarkable capacity to regenerate herself from within, especially in times of crisis. It is precisely this capacity for reform and renewal that has enabled this Catholic Church to become this vast, global communion, with more than a billion members across the world. St Matthew's gospel shows us that even at the earliest times of the Church there were structures and disciplines to hold her together. The infant Church needed to establish norms for its order and self-governance.

The Church is primarily a spiritual reality: the communion in Church of his faithful people. The Church exists to proclaim the Good news to the world: the love of God revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. What wonderful mission we are given, when in baptism, we are made members of Christ's Church. That mission is to make known the absolute of God for every human being, and, together, to build his Kingdom of peace and justice on this earth. **Mgr Matthew**

Sunday Readings: Year A

Weekday Readings: Year 2

SECOND COLLECTION

5 – 6 SEPTEMBER – BUILDING FUND

The Building Fund covers ongoing organ repair costs along with other building-related repairs and expenses. Thank you for continuing your financial support of the parish.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

12 – 13 SEPTEMBER – CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE (CES)

Representing the Catholic Bishops' Conference, the CES is the main negotiating and advisory body for Catholic education. Working alongside the British and Welsh governments, it promotes high academic standards and parental choice. Over 2,000 Catholic schools and colleges educate 800,000+ students across England and Wales—making up 10% of maintained schools—with the CES additionally funding rural school transport.

MARY'S MEALS provide a nutritious school meal to more than 3 million children in some of the world's poorest communities, helping them overcome hunger and have the opportunity to learn and thrive. It costs just £19.15 to feed a child for an entire school year. Mary's Meals community volunteer **Richard Pearson** will visit us on the weekend of **5/6 September** to tell us more about their life-changing work and share a special announcement.



Christmas Day Lunch

25 December

One of our parishioners is looking for a group or family with whom he could share Christmas Day Lunch this year. If you are likely to be on your own on Christmas Day and would be happy to share lunch and some company, or if you know of a suitable gathering, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

The Flock

Youth group for ages 8-17

Friday night from 6:30-8:00pm
An evening of food, fun and faith



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

DATE CHANGE: FIRST MEETING: 7pm, Wed 30 Sep. Please meet at the priest's house before a tour round the church.

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is open to adults who are not baptized, adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who now wish to become members of the Catholic Church, or baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. If you are interested to know more please introduce yourself to Mgr Matthew after mass or email wandsworthwesthill@RCAOS.org.uk



LITTLE PILGRIMS PLAY & PRAY

Recommencing Monday 7 September.

Our group for parents and toddlers (0-4 years) **Meets every Monday during school term time** (except bank holidays) 10:00-11:30 in the parish hall.

Thank
YOU

We are very grateful to Steve Palmer who has generously funded the restoration of our Paschal Candle in memory of his wife Jane Elizabeth Snowden.



Parish Bible Study Group

First Sunday of the month
11:30am (after Mass and coffee)

Becket House (glass doors on Santos Rd)

To be added to the mailing list or for any enquires:

WandsworthWestHillBibleStudy@yahoo.com

Next meeting:
SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER
Topic:
LETTERS TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES
(REV. 2-3)
PART 1



Tommy Keaney RIP

It is with sadness that we share the news of the passing of Tommy Keaney, who died on Wednesday, 2nd September 2026.

Tommy was a parishioner of St Thomas à Becket for over 60 years. Funeral details will be shared in an upcoming newsletter once finalized.

Please keep Tommy and his family in your prayers at this time.



SERVICE FOR THOSE HARMED BY ABUSE WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2026 – 6.30PM ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, SOUTHWARK

The Archdiocese of Southwark warmly invites you to an evening of hope and healing, led by Archbishop John Wilson, for all those affected by abuse. Further info: see posters at the back of the church.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS ADOREMUS | 2026 SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2026



Adoremus is the Bishops' invitation to renew our devotion to the Eucharistic Lord. Further information: www.cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026/ or see the posters at the back of the church. Bookings: www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/adoremus/.

COLLECTIONS

	23/08	30/08
Parish Collection	£376	£530
Parish Dona	£322	£377
Standing Orders	£568	£568
Vestments Coll.	£155	
Vestments Dona	£49	
Flowers Coll.		£79
Flowers Dona		£19



5 – 6 September

R Welcome & Coffee: L. Northeast, M. Ascensao

Readers: SAT: S. Doney, S. Palmer

SUN: H. Walker, W. Hornsby

Flowers: L. Northeast

12 – 13 September

R Welcome & Coffee: F. Azevedo, M. Figueiredo

Readers: SAT: E. Mends, C. Fiallos

SUN: L. Brown, C. Khabthong

Flowers: R. Majiyabe

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Meet 11am-1pm, 2nd Saturday of the Month. **Next meet: 12 SEPTEMBER**

DIARY DATES AT-A-GLANCE:

6 Sep 11:30am Bible Study Group, Becket House

10 Sep 10:30am Knit AND Natter recommences

23 Sep 6pm, Ursuline Open Evening (booking req.)