



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Parish Office: Mon 10am-11am, Tues 9am-3pm,
Thurs 9am-3pm, Fri 9am-2pm



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6 JULY 2025

"Your peace will rest upon him"

Mass Times

Sat 5	The Blessed Virgin Mary Memorial 09:30 Fr Gerard Nesbitt D. Ph. Croix de Guerre (France) (KIA Normandy 1944) 12:30 Baptism Bianca Lo Presti Alessi 17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday Fr Vincent Convery RIP (Diocese of Portsmouth)
Sun 6	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 People of the Parish 12:00 First Holy Communion Mass 15:30 Bible Study group
Mon 7	The Translation of St Thomas à Becket, Bishop & Martyr Memorial 09:30 Sam Baza RIP With Exposition of the Relics of St Thomas à Becket
Tues 8	Feria 09:30 Marcella Devlin RIP
Weds 9	Feria 09:30 Tadeusz Józef Drzewicki RIP
Thurs 10	Feria 09:30 Holy Souls
Fri 11	St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe Feast 09:30 Holy Souls Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 12	The Blessed Virgin Mary Memorial 09:30 People of the Parish 17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday Holy Souls
Sun 13	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sea Sunday 10:00 Phil Kelly RIP

Confessions: Saturday 10.15-10.45

Baptisms & Marriages:

Please contact the Parish Priest



Tomorrow (Monday 7 July) is the Memorial of The Translation of St Thomas A Becket. The 'Translation' refers to the removal on 7 July 1220 of the Saint's relics from their original shrine in the crypt of Canterbury Cathedral to the magnificent new shrine that had been erected behind the High Altar. The shrine became a place of pilgrimage for Catholics from all over Europe for centuries, finally being destroyed on the orders of King Henry VIII in 1538, when the King led the separation of the Church in England from Rome (the English Reformation).

St Thomas A Becket, who was Archbishop of Canterbury, was brutally murdered on 29 December 1170 in the Cathedral by four knights, who may have acted on the authority, or at least with the approval of, King Henry II. It was an act that shocked Catholic Europe to the core, and in repentance the King walked barefoot from the city gates to the Cathedral.

We are extraordinarily blessed to have three relics of St Thomas A Becket in our parish. These will be exposed for the 09:30 Mass on Monday, as we honour our patron Saint and ask his intercession for our parish. The relics will continue to be exposed for an hour after Mass, concluding with benediction at 11:00. If you are able, do join us for this special day of prayer for our parish and all our loved ones. St Thomas A Becket, Bishop and Martyr, pray for us.

Mgr Matthew

Sunday Readings: Year C

Weekday Readings: Year 1

SECOND COLLECTION

5 – 6 JULY – ORGAN FUND

For the previous restoration and maintenance of our Willis Pipe Organ.

NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

12 – 13 JULY – STELLA MARIS

Stella Maris is a Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide. They provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers, regardless of nationality, belief or race. Port chaplains and volunteers welcome seafarers, offer welfare services and advice, practical help, care and friendship. Stella Maris is an international network, working in more than 250 ports around the world.

90% of world trade is transported by ship, with Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, lonely and hazardous conditions. They may spend up to a year at a time away from home, separated from their family and loved ones. Stella Maris relies wholly on voluntary contributions, and can only continue its work through the generous donations of its supporters. Sunday 13th July is Sea Sunday. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

First Holy Communion Mass:

Sun 6 July 2025 12.00

Congratulations to all our children who make their First Holy Communion today. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



BEAUTIFUL STAINED GLASS GREETING CARDS

Share the beauty of our church's stunning stained glass windows with friends and family! We've created a special range of high-quality greeting cards featuring professional photographs of our windows – perfect for any occasion.

Available in generous A5 and DL sizes, each card is printed on premium 350gsm stock for a luxurious feel. All cards are left blank inside for your own message.

Packs of 6 are just £10, or individual cards are £2.

Make your purchase at the back of the church with cash or via the Dona Machines. You can also order online for collection through our website. All funds raised go to supporting our church.



With thanks to Louise Irving-Whalley for her beautiful photography, capturing the light and detail of our stained glass so perfectly.

Pick up a pack and share a piece of our church's beauty today!



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 23 JULY AT 19:00 IN THE PRIEST'S HOUSE

Our RCIA (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 email Mgr Matthew on the parish email address.



Parish Bible Study Group



**First Sunday of the month
3.30-5.00pm**

Becket House (glass doors on Santos Rd)

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

dugdalejam@gmail.com

**Next meeting:
SUNDAY 6 JULY**

**Topic:
THE CHILD JESUS IN
THE TEMPLE & JESUS'
BAPTISM,
LUKE 2:41-3:22**



As you arrived this morning, you may have seen the superbly restored Christ figure on crucifix on the West Hill façade of the church. This commemorates those from our parish who lost their lives in the two world wars. The memorial was first erected after the First World War. St Thomas' parishioner Paulo De Miranda has spent months painstakingly restoring the Christ figure, the pediment and the memorial plaques. I am sure you will agree he has done a

wonderful job. Thank you, Paulo, for the generous gift of your skills and time in bringing our memorial back to its original beauty. Mgr Matthew

✦ Baby Sensory Wandsworth offer Award-Winning classes in our Church Hall every Wednesday and Thursday! For Babies from Birth to 13 Months

Join us for **wonderful, expert-led sessions** designed to support your baby's development in their precious first year. Each class is filled with music, sensory play, bonding time, and joyful moments for parents/caregivers and their little ones.

😊 *Support your baby's learning and curiosity*

□ *Make new friends in a warm, welcoming community*

🎵 *Enjoy unforgettable, playful experiences together*

Classes run every **Wednesday and Thursday** from 10:10 AM until 2:00 PM. **Contact Alexandra, our class leader, to claim the exclusive community member offers:**

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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Parish Collection	£460
Parish Dona	£263
Standing Orders	£601
Peter's Pence Collection	£130
Peter's Pence Dona	£216



5 - 6 July

Welcome and Coffee: E. Falcone, A. Oliva

Readers: SAT: M. Slade, L. Slade

SUN: Y. Osei-Kuffour Ekert, L. Ekert

Flowers: A. Robbins

12 - 13 July

Welcome & Coffee: L. Northeast, M. Ascensao

Readers: SAT: S. Doney, S. Palmer

SUN: A. Stacey, C. Webb

Flowers: V. Barkho

CHURCH MAINTENANCE TEAM: Meet 11am-1pm on the 2nd Saturday of the Month.

Next meeting: 12 JULY. JOIN US!

DIARY DATES AT-A-GLANCE:

6 Jul 12pm, First Holy Communion Mass

6 Jul 3:30pm Bible Study Group, Becket House

13 Jul 10am, Parish First Holy Communion celebration Mass

23 Jul 7pm, RCIA Meeting, Priest's House