



**St Thomas of Canterbury
Church, Brentwood
WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**Sixth Sunday after Trinity
12th July 2026**



Father Mark writes... Welcome, in the name of the risen Christ, to our worship today at St Thomas. If this is your first visit, please make yourself known to one of the sidespersons or a member of the ministry team — you are very welcome here. Please join in with the text printed in bold; at the 10.00am service we sing the hymns and some parts of the liturgy. Details of this week's services are given below, and the order of service is also available online, with printed copies available for those who prefer them.

Holy Communion is distributed in both kinds. We come forward to stand at the foot of the dais, and the ministers will come to you. Those who do not normally receive the Blessed Sacrament are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing, with hands crossed on the chest; children are most welcome. Families and children are very welcome. If younger ones need a break, the Church Centre (through the double doors on the right) offers a space where the service can still be seen and heard, with activity bags available. Toilets are also located there, and refreshments are served after the 10.00am service. If you would like to receive a parish news by email, please complete a yellow family roll form and give it to a sidesperson.

SERVICE DETAILS

8.00am SAID MASS

Psalm 65

10.00am ALL AGE MASS (Trebles)

Introductory Rite

Processional Hymn: **408(i) – Love divine all loves excelling**

Gloria: Peruvian Gloria

Collect: Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding; pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 55. 10-13

Michelle Jackson

Second Reading: Romans 8. 1-11

John Gowlett

Gospel Acclamation: *Plainsong*

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13. 1-, 18-23

Father Ossie

Sermon

Intercessions

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: **Colours of day**

Sanctus & Benedictus: *Slane Sanctus*

Agnus Dei: *Peter Aston* in F

Communion Motet: I will sing with the spirit *ur/John Rutter*

Closing Hymn: **Shine Jesus shine**

Organ Voluntary: Fanfare – *William Mathias* +

+ *Organist: Isabella Patrick - Junior Organ Scholar*

6.00pm CHORAL EVENSONG (Becket Singers)

Responses: *Richard Ayleward*

Office Hymn: **335 – All praise to thee**

Psalm: 60

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7. 18-end

Phil Horscroft

Canticles: *Charles Wood* in D

Second Reading: Luke 19: 41-20.8

Phil Horscroft

Anthem: O praise for the peace of Jerusalem – *Herbert Howells*

Hymns: **250 – Saviour, again to thy dear name**

Final Responses: *James Thomas*

Organ Voluntary: Andante in D – *Charles Wood* +

+ *Organist: Sam Adams - Interim Director of Music*

PLEASE NOTE

Please keep our Parish Schools in your prayers as they come to the end of another academic year. We look forward to our Primary School's Leavers Eucharist here on Friday morning when we shall be giving all who are leaving the school a Bible as a guide and a source of comfort and joy as they continue on their pilgrimage through life.

This will form our daily Mass on Friday as Becket Keys finishes before lunch. This means from the following week, Mass on Friday will be here in Church at 9.30. *Father Mark*

Refreshments will be served at the back of the Church after today's 10 am Mass. All are welcome.

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CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Our Church is open for private prayer at the following times:

Monday to Friday: 10.00am until 3.00pm

Saturday: 10.00am until 12.30pm

Morning & Evening Prayer are streamed daily via our [Facebook page](#) at 9.00am and 5.00pm respectively, except for Choral Evensong on Sundays which is normally streamed at 6.00pm.

Our Church Office hours are:

Wednesdays: 10.00am until 12.30pm

Thursdays: 9.30am until 12.30pm

Fridays: 1.00pm until 2.30pm

Our Church website is: www.st-thomas.org.uk

We are your Church, and if you need prayers, help or just someone to talk to please call us at 01277 231629.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

DAY	SERVICE	TIME	INTENTIONS
Monday 13 th St Henry			Charles the King
Tuesday 14 th Feria	Mass	9.30am	Elizabeth and Andy as they prepare for their wedding
Wednesday 15 th St Swithin, bishop	Mass	12.15pm	Members of SSC
Thursday 16 th Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Mass (BCP) Pray & Praise	9.30am 10.30am	Members of the Carmelite Order
Friday 17 th Feria (Votive of the Holy Cross)	School Mass	9.30am	St Thomas' School
Saturday 18 th Our Lady on Saturday	Mass & Anointing Wedding	9.30am 12.00pm	The sick and those in need of prayers
Sunday 19 th +Seventh Sunday after Trinity	Mass Sung Mass Choral Evensong	8.00am 10.00am 6.00pm	Our Parish

CAKE & A CUPPA

is held in the church centre on Wednesday mornings from 10.00am until 12.00pm

150th anniversary Community Project 2033

This ambitious project to preserve our church is moving forwards! A topographical survey of the church grounds has been completed and a feasibility study is underway. This will explore energy-efficient upgrades, renewal technologies, solar PV, EV charging, improved electrical infrastructure, and sustainable heating and ventilation solutions. A drainage survey is currently out to tender, using CCTV inspections and high-pressure jetting to identify any issues and required repairs. **Together, these studies will help shape a more sustainable, resilient and welcoming church for the future. We need your support! Please look out for details to follow soon!** Visit www.st-thomas.org.uk

150 years anniversary

MISSION STATEMENT

Grounded in prayer, nourished by Scripture, and formed within the catholic tradition of the Church of England, we are called by Jesus Christ to worship, celebrate the sacraments, to proclaim His gospel, and bear witness to His love in the world.

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BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Ozan Oguz, Abbey Snow, Jenna Moxley, David Rooke, Harrison Cox, Merlys Howell, Charlie Wilson and Cally Shanley who will celebrate their birthdays during the coming week.

'CRAFTY FRIDAYS'

This **Friday from 10.00am to 12.00pm**, Come and bring your own craft project, or learn a new one like knitting or Bible journalling. Tea and coffee £2.00. For more information, contact **Michelle Jackson - 07973 983831**

LUNCHTIME LIVE

at St Thomas' Church

This Friday 31st July at 1.00pm

Brentwood Philharmonic Flutes

Free entry – with retiring collection

THE BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Meets at 10.30am on Thursday with song and praise in the Lady Chapel. Then into the hall for play. Please come along to join our group of parents/grandparents.

Lesley Garwood – 07805 405751

You are invited to join the popular **BIBLE STUDY GROUP** that meets on Tuesday evenings in Meeting Room One from 7pm until 9pm.

Please contact **Phil Horscroft** on 7840 737606 should you be interested in attending.

THE FOODBANK

If you have any donations they can be left at the back of the church in our crates which are emptied every week and taken to the Food Bank.