



**St Thomas of Canterbury
Church, Brentwood**

WEEKLY BULLETIN Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

6th September 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. St Thomas' Church is entirely self-funded and relies exclusively on donations, without financial support from any external source.

SERVICE DETAILS

8.00 am SAID MASS

10.00 am SUNG MASS (Becket Singers)

Introductory Rite

Processional Hymn: **475 – Ye holy angels bright**

Mass Setting: The Brentwood Mass – *David Rooke*

Collect: Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth: 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: Ezekiel 33. 7-11

Sue Rygate

Psalm: 119 33-40: *Horner*

Second Reading: Romans 13. 8-end

John Gowllett

Gospel Acclamation: *Plainsong*

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18. 15-20

Father Ossie

Sermon

Father Mark

Intercessions

Tamsin Graham

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: **296(i) – Lord enthroned**

Anthem: Ubi caritas *u' Ola Gjeilo*

Communion Hymn: **357 – Father, hear the prayer**

Closing Hymn: **453 – Stand up, stand for Jesus**

Organ Voluntary: Fugue (Organ Sonata No.16) – *J G Rheinberger +*

+ Organist: Alex Evans u' Interim Assistant Organist

12.00 pm HOLY BAPTISM –

6.00 pm CHORAL EVENSONG & BENEDICTION

Responses: *Humphrey Lucas*

(Parish Choir)

Office Hymn: **256 – On this day the first of days**

Psalm: 108

First Reading: Ezekiel 12: 21-13:16

Sue Rygate

Canticles: *George Dyson* in F

Second Reading: Acts 19: 1-20

Sue Rygate

Anthem: O for a closer walk – *Charles Villiers Stanford*

Hymn: **265 – Lord of beauty**

Benediction Hymns: **275 268 (Part 2)**

Organ Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in D minor

(BWV 554) – *Johann Sebastian Bach +*

+ Organist: Sam Adams u' Interim Director of Music

COMING SOON...

A new cycle of Alpha begins at St Thomas' Church, Brentwood, on Thursday 17th September at 19.00



A great place to ask all those big questions. Please scan the QR code to register your interest. 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 sung at 6.00pm.

Our Church Office hours are:

Wednesdays: 10.00pm 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 7 th Feria			Our Group Leaders
Tuesday 8 th Birth of the BVM	Mass	9.30am	Our servers and lay assistants
Wednesday 9 th Feria	Mass	12.15pm	Members of the Deanery Chapter
Thursday 10 th Feria	Mass (BCP)	9.30am	Members of the Richborough Council
Friday 11 th Feria (Votive of the Sacred Heart)	Mass (Becket Keys)	1.00pm	Our new Alpha Course
Saturday 12 th Our Lady on Saturday	Mass & Anointing	9.30am	The sick
Sunday 13th +Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	Mass All Age Mass Holy Baptism Choral Evensong	8.00am 10.00am 12.00pm 6.00pm	Our Parish



CAKE & A CUPPA

is held in the church centre on Wednesday mornings from 10.00am until 12.00pm with a delicious selection of cakes. It's an ideal opportunity to meet up with friends.

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Mary Smith, Penelope Cole, Adam Walsh, Chloe Laing, Jody Slater, Martin Brodie, Hugo O'Hara, Karen Allen-Ross, Maureen Sheringham, Paul Hills, Alfie Aiano and Simon Ince who will celebrate their birthdays during the coming week.

Pinney Talfourd – Solicitors

We are hosting a free seminar to discuss

Wills and Lasting Power of Attorney

Date: Next Saturday 12th September 2026

from 9.45am to 11.30am.

Location: Our Office

1 Cathedral Place, Brentwood, Essex 01277 283 707

PROSECCO UP THE TOWER

Next Friday 11th September at 7pm

You are invited to the best view in Town

Tickets may be booked via this link:-

<https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/MTU0NY00/t>

£15.00 (over 18 only)

Prosecco at the top of the tower

The Chapel Group is back

This Autumn, why not join us for something a little different? Next Wednesday 9th September, 12.50 in the Church Centre?

Our friendly Life Group meets twice a month, to explore scripture, reflect on our lives and apply God's Word day-to-day. It's a welcoming space for everyone to share, grow in discipleship and seek God's guidance as we journey through life together. Just turn up or for queries please leave a message on:-

07736 160977.

Love Carolyn

FareShare Go provides, nationally, charities and community groups with direct access to **surplus food** from local supermarkets, food which would otherwise be thrown away. In Brentwood that means someone collecting surplus food from Marks and Spencers and taking it to the YMCA in Brentwood at 7.15pm. We have two teams from our church doing this but the Thursday team need more helpers about once or twice a month. Speak to Lesley or Brian Lynn if you can give of your time to help others in need. Thank You.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 10.00am MASS ON SUNDAYS?

We serve tea, coffee, soft drinks and biscuits in the church hall. It is a social occasion and an important part of the life of the church. It is a great way of getting to know members of the congregation that you may not normally come into contact with.

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. www.st-thomas.org.uk

THE BRENTWOOD FOODBANK

If you have any donations of food please hand them to a steward.

Our crates are emptied every week and taken to the Foodbank.

Can you help please?

Items required; Macaroni Cheese (tinned),

Tinned Fruit, Potatoes(tinned), Corned Beef,

Jam, Coffee, Washing up Liquid, Ham.

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davidrooke1@googlemail.com

LUNCHTIME LIVE

Friday 25th September at 1PM

'Karpediem' (Folk Band)

Free Entry with retiring collection

CRAFTY FRIDAY

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 98383

Children's Explore Zone

FREE activities for children of all ages:

Treasure hunt, word searches,

lots to do to help keep young people busy!

Open weekdays:-

Monday to Thursday from 10.00 until 15.00

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