

➤ **This is St. Thomas the Apostle Parish. A Warm Welcome** to our Visitors, Friends and Parishioners worshipping with us today! We are happy to have you with us. Help us keep our Vision and Mission alive. Do join us in the Hall for refreshment after 9.00am and 10.30am Mass. Holy Shop in the Hallway.

Please pray for the Sick and Housebound in our parish: Margaret Namusoke, Alan Bond, Omobolaji Odokale, Pat Miller (Phillips), Rosemary Mbachu, Arlene Brown, Rosa Maria, Bernard Bruno Da Silva, May Purvis, Maria Herriart, Teresa Cox, Adama Sheriff, Antonio Neto, John Cox, Angela Roberts, Betty MacLean, George Kirby, Alma & Tom Fernandes, Margaret and Tom Wyse, Caroline Knight, Frederick Okolo, Stephanie and Peter St. Rose, Mrs Taylor, Lily Mulraine, Rebecca Linton, Femi Wete. Mrs Collet, Ella Thomas, Margaret Gallee, Varsha Chopra, Joyce Barnette, Benedict Kalunta, David Smith.

Pray for the dead: especially those who died recently in our Parish: Joan Bond, Victoria Abbey, Shormeh Nortey, Edison Otomewo, Martin Wallace, Anna Akosua Adea, Steven N. Fr. John Leahy, Esther Maurice Ekpo, Bridget O'Shea, Jim Duffy, Veronica Otuodung, Francis Otuodung, Maurice Ekpo and those whose anniversaries occur this week: Francis Woods, Elizabeth Honan, Isaiah Ogbogbo, Edward Kelly, Nancy Craughwell, Mary Torpey.

OUR VISION: To be a Catholic Community that seeks to meet the Pastoral needs of all our Parishioners.

MISSION STATEMENT: We are a diverse, welcoming and lively community that strives to be caring and listening to all through our active participation in the sharing of God's gifts.

MOTTO: St. Thomas the Apostle: *Sharing God's Gifts in Love and Service*

PARISH PRAYER:

God our Father and Creator of the human family, pour out your Spirit on the people of this Parish and grant us generous hearts, faithfulness to your word and a new vision of your glory, as we seek to build a welcoming, lively and caring community. Bless us with greater unity in worship and a new consecration to your service that your love may grow among us. Forgive us all our sins and let this parish be a family where healing, pardon and goodness flow for all, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen. Holy Mary Mother of God: Pray for us. St Thomas the Apostle: Pray for us. May the souls of our departed parishioners and all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS IN AUGUST. CONGRATULATIONS! PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM.

KOREDE	OKE
JULIANA	ADJEI
RICHARD	OPPONG-WADIE
ELIZABETH NARDU	CROFFIE-DUAH
FELA	ODUNTAN
RIANNA	OWUSU
NANA OTCHERE KLU	KORANTENG
BECKY OSAZEE	IYAMU KINGS
GRACE	CATO
ERICA	BATEREN
TRACY	BOAFO
TONY	FATUNBI
JOSEPHINE	ROBERTS
JOHN	MAMBU
EVA-MARIE	PALMER-SIMMONDS
DWAYNE	OKOYE-KACHIKWU
TEAHAQ	UGBANA
SAMUEL	AYODELE-OJO
THERESAH	TWENEBOAH
RAYMOND	AMAKIHE
NEAVEAH	TAKYIWAA AKOTO
JEREMY	NANA OWUSU
AKAKAN THEODORE	MBET-UDOAKA
BUTLER	EMMANUEL



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Motto: *St. Thomas the Apostle : Sharing God's Gift in love and Service*

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

The Ordinary: Most Revd. John Wilson – Archbishop of Southwark | Area Bishop: Rt. Rev. Patrick Lynch ss.cc

Parish Priest: **Rev. Father Francis Eyo, MSP** (parishpriest@stthomasnunhead.org.uk).

Pastoral Assistants: Deacon: **Rev. Alan Bond** (rtd) | Religious: **The Sisters of Christian Instruction**

PARISH PROGRAMME

WEEKEND MASS: Sunday: 9.00am, 10.30am, 2.00pm (Spanish) & 6.30PM.
WEDDINGS: by appointment with the Parish Priest (six months' notice is required).
FUNERAL: by arrangement – contact the Parish Priest.
BIRTHDAY BLESSING: First & Last Sundays of the Month.
THANKSGIVING/BLESSING: by arrangement - contact the Parish Priest.
BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: Last Saturday of the month and as announced (No Baptism in Lent).
RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 5.30pm – 6.30pm & by arrangement
VISITATION TO THE SICK: Friday after Morning Mass and by arrangement
OFFICE HOURS: Priest – by appointment & as indicated (bulletin p. 3). Office Staff: Mon - Fri 10am - 5pm

DATE	WEEKLY LITURGY	INTENTIONS/ACTIVITIES/TIME
Sunday 11th August 2019 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)	MASS: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C). Wis 18: 6-9. Heb 11:1-2, 8-19. Lk 12: 32 - 48	9.00am: People of the Parish 10.30am: Georgina Mensah; Healing 2.00pm: Misa en Espanol 6.30pm: Special intention
Monday 12th August 2019 Weekday	NO SERVICE Dt. 10: 12-22. Mt. 17: 22-27	Priest's Day off Prayer: Psalter Week 3.
Tuesday 13th August 2019 Weekday	Service of the Word & Sacrament Dt. 31: 1-8. Mt.18: 1-5, 10, 12-14.	9.30am – Chapel. <i>Antiphonist: Violet. Reader: Brian</i>
Wed. 14th August 2019 Weekday	MASS Dt. 34: 1-12. Mt 18: 15-20.	9.30am – Chapel. <i>Peter St. Rose – Birthday Blessings</i> <i>Antiphonist: Comfort. Reader: Gerard</i>
Thursday 15th August 2019 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	MASS - Solemnity Rv. 11: 19; 12: 1-6, 10. 1 Cor. 15: 20-27. Lk. 1: 39-56.	9.30am – Chapel <i>Antiphonist: Theresa. Reader: Justina</i>
Friday 16th August 2019 Weekday	MASS Jos. 24: 1-13. Mt 19: 3 -12.	9.30am – Chapel. <i>Antiphonist: Gabriel. Reader: Deirdre</i>
Sunday 18th August 2019 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)	MASS: TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C). Jer. 38: 4-6, 8-10. Heb. 12: 1-4. Lk. 12: 49-53.	9.00am: 10.30am: 2.00pm: Misa en Espanol 6.30pm:

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C
(Mass Book pp: 121 - 124). 11TH AUGUST 2019**

BIDDING PRAYERS: (346). **Reader:** Where our treasure is,
People: there our heart will be.

BE READY: THE LORD COMES TO REWARD THE FAITHFUL

The parable of the master who returns from a wedding feast to his home in the middle of the night (Luke 12:35-40) invites us to remain firm in our faith in Christ and faithful in our service to Christ. Our faithfulness will be rewarded by a faithful God whom we serve. Jesus loves us and offers us himself as a priceless treasure and source of abundant joy and security that is worth selling all else for. Loving, serving Jesus requires undivided attention, no distraction, not even sleep or personal comfort should be allowed to interfere with our preparation to receive Jesus whenever He comes to us, especially in the Word and Sacraments. "Listen, I am standing and knocking at your door, if you hear my voice..." (Revelation 3:20).

The question is: if the Lord Jesus knocks on your door today would you be ready and eager to receive Him? He wants us to be prepared for his coming today, tomorrow, anytime, especially at the hour of departure from this life (our death) and when he comes again to judge the living and the dead. The Lord Jesus will reward those who have believed in Him. We ask the Lord Jesus to fill us with his grace and the holy desire to seek the ord and his kingdom first above all else. Amen.

Wishing all Parishioners & Friends Happy and Blessed Sunday! – Fr Francis, MSP

PARISH INFORMATION DESK

Group	Place of Meeting	Day and Time
Breaking the Word	Chapel	Mon 7.30pm
Life Ascending	Chapel	Wed 10.00am
Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary Catholic Charismatic Renewal Prayer Meeting	Chapel	Thurs 7.00pm Friday 7.30pm

CCTV - CAMERAS are in operation within the Church premises for your Security and Safety. Keep your valuable items with you during Mass/Church service. **Be vigilant & if you notice any suspicious movement inform the Ushers.**

- **PHONE USAGE IS FORBIDDEN DURING MASS! Please Comply.**
- Stop eating food, chewing gums inside the main Church during Mass, and do not litter the Church, please.

Please DO NOT take the Mass & Hymn Books home, handle with care & Return them to the Shelf after Mass.

- ✓ **Hall booking: 10.00 to 5.00pm Monday – Friday or call 07538759770, 020 7639 3724.**
The Hall is currently under repairs and booking will resume in due course,



Church Halls: Book our standard Church Hall, equipped with kitchen, Bar and other facilities, clean & neat for a full day or per hourly program. It's a lovely space that can hold 180 – 200 people for various functions, celebrations, meetings, receptions, etc. Back Hall is good for events of about 80 people in case you need such. **Contact us: 020 7639 3724. 07538759770.**

Pastoral/Administrative Staff Contacts

Parish Administrative Assistant/Secretary | Parish Business/Communication Assistant
Atim Blossom – 020 7639 3724. Julian Prospere - 020 7639 3724.
HALL BOOKING - 020 7639 3724/ 07538759770.

Baptism of Children – 020 7639 3724. RCIA Formation - 020 7639 3724
First Holy Communion – 020 7639 3724. Confirmation - 020 7639 3724
Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee – 02076393724

Knights of St Columba -- 07834 11741

LAST WEEK MASS ATTENDANCE: Sun. 9.00AM = 105. 10.30AM = 255, 2.00pm = 55, 6.30pm = 45

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CHURCH NOTICES

Parish Office Hours This Week: PARISH PRIEST – Thursday, 11am – 1pm and 5 - 6pm

Office Staff: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10.00am – 5.00pm.

Today is the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, all are Welcome to this celebration.

Church Cleaning: Latin American Community for cleaning the Church last Saturday. God bless you.

- **We also thank all who made this Mass a wonderful celebration,** especially, the Altar Servers, Readers, Holy Communion Ministers, Ushers, Music Team, Sacristans/Volunteers, Communication Team, our office Staff, Sunday Liturgy Teachers, Children, and Young people.

Cleaning of Church Next Saturday: Ghanaian Catholic Association. God bless you as you care for the Church of Christ. PPC Meeting: will take place on First Saturday of September 7/9/18

Baptism of Children: will take place on the Last Saturday of August 31/8/19. Please fill the form and return it to the Parish office. Preparation for parents and God parents in the Church on Friday 23rd and Thursday 29th of August at 6.00pm.

First Holy Communion 2019/20: Forms are available in the Hall-way for parents to fill and return to the office with all the requirements. Registration will end by 1st Week of September. Please Parents do well to register your children.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults and Young People 2019/20: This is a useful Program for those who are yet to receive Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Registration forms are in the Hallway, fill and return to the office during office hours. Registration will close by 1st Week of September.

Confirmation 2019: Will be celebrated on 21st September at 12.00 noon. Parents, Candidates, families and Parishioners please be prepared to participate in the celebration.

- **NO Confirmation lessons next Saturday and No CHILDREN LITURGY this Sunday.**
- **Also remember, NO MASS on SATURDAY in the Parish.**

Christian Marriage: If you would like to have a wedding in the Church, kindly contact the parish Priest on office day for guidance and preparation. Once again, we congratulate **Wenze and Jolle on their successful wedding celebration.**

Diocesan Day for Catechists: will take place on Saturday 28 September 2019 at St. George's Cathedral Southwark SE1 6HR for all Catechists, Children's Liturgy and RCIA Teachers. Time: 10.30am. Please attend.

Parish Finance Committee and Church Hall Policy: The Committee is in the process of making policy for the use of the Church Hall, send in your suggestions. The Policy will be binding on all.

Upkeep of the Church Hall and Premises: We are appealing to Church Groups & Parishioners using the Hall and Church premises to ensure they clean well, remove the waste, and handle the facilities with care.

- **A Caretaker Needed:** for the Church premises, interested person should apply in writing to: The Parish Finance Committee, St. Thomas the Apostle RC Church 81 Evelina Road, London SE15 3HL.

Church Renovation: Many thanks to parishioners and donors for your generous giving. Work is still in progress. You can always support us through a donation, standing order or paying directly to: **St. Thomas the Apostle Church: A/c: 95248463 SC 601616 – NatWest.**

For God loves a cheerful giver (2Cor 9:7-8).

Collection Last Weekend: £964.50. and £137.60. Thank you for your contributions and may the Lord bless all who give generously to support our Parish Ministries. **We appreciate all giving by Standing Order, Gift Aid, Tithe, Seed Sowing and Thanksgiving. May the Lord bless and reward your generosity, Amen.**
2nd Collection this week: Church Development Fund & Next week: Parish Maintenance/Building Fund

❖ **Readers for the Weekend Mass - Sunday 11TH AUGUST 2019:**
9.00am: Kate Galle. **10.30am:** Isaac Ehioghae & Atim Blossom. **6.30pm:** Babatunde Sotonwa.