

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE
BOSTON ROAD, HANWELL, W7 2AD



25th May 2025

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Parish Mass

Welcome to St Thomas the Apostle Church, Hanwell for our Parish Mass.



We hope you enjoy your time with us. Do join us for refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards.

The hymns are in the green New English Hymnal Books.

The Mass Setting for this Service is the Mass of St. Thomas by David Thorne

Please do take this service booklet away with you for your own prayers & reflections this coming week.

Please **Stand** (if you are able) as the Choir and Altar party enter.

The Gathering & Greeting

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed, Alleluia.

First Hymn: 205 Christ is made a sure foundation.

The Prayer of Preparation

**All: Almighty God to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit;
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Invitation to Confession

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. (*cf Romans 6.4*)

Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**All: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you through our own fault,
in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry, and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

We **Sing** together the Kyrie eleison.

**All: Lord have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of love and power ☩ forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Gloria in Excelsis

Please **Stand** as we **Sing** together **The Gloria**.

**All: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest,
Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.**

The Collect

Let us pray.

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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.

All: Amen.

The First Reading: Acts 16. 9-15. *(Reading is read by Kirsten Allen)*

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, Come over to Macedonia and help us. When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home. And she prevailed upon us.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Please **Stand** as we **Sing** together verses from **Psalm 67.** *(Deus misereatur)*

1. **GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:**
2. **That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.**
3. **Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.**
4. **O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.**
5. **Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.**
6. **Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.**
7. **God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

The Second Reading: Revelation of S. John 21. 10, 22 - 22.5.

(Reading is read by Steve Purcell)

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it,

nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lambs book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: 346 City of God, how broad and far.

The Gospel

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you : Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

All: Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **S. John 14. 23-29.**

All ✠✠✠ Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus answered him, Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, I am going away, and I am coming to you. If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon or Homily is given by *The Reverend Maggie Davidge-Smith*

The Motet is sung

**All: We believe in one God the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please *Kneel or Sit* for the Prayers of Intercession. *(Led by David Gilbert)*

Lord in your mercy.
All: Hear our prayer.

or

Jesus, Lord of Life
All: Hear our prayer.

And at the end.

Merciful Father,

**All: Accept these prayers for the sake
of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,
'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. *All may exchange a sign of peace.*

Offertory Hymn: 401 Light's abode, celestial Salem.

Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. In your loving care you spread before us the table of life and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour and our Shepherd, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All: His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

✠ Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation kneel or sit.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. ✠

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. ✠

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, Joseph her spouse, St Thomas the Apostle and our Patron, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, and says:

✠ Jesus says, I am the bread of life, whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

All: Lord, our hearts hunger for you; give us this bread always.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

*The **Agnus Dei** is sung*

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Grant us peace.**

Communion Hymn: 295 Let all mortal flesh keep silence.

Prayers after Communion

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

**All: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

The Parish Notices (and Banns) are given.

A Junior Church Presentation may be given.

Final Hymn: 112 Jesus Lives! Thy terrors now.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

The Dismissal

With the risen life of Christ within you, go in peace and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

6:30pm: Book of Common Prayer Service of Evening Prayer - Led by: Steve Purcell
Psalm(s): 126, 127 (pg. 516) Epistle: Zephaniah 3 .14-end, Gospel: S. Matthew 28. 1-10, 16, end.

Services This Week

Throughout the week, The Office of **Morning Prayer** (Common Worship) is observed in Church and is live-streamed on Facebook at 9am.

Led on Mondays by The Reverend Julia Palmer. | On Tuesdays & Fridays by Stephen Brooks.
On Wednesdays, The Office is said in-person in the Lady Chapel by The Reverend Julia Palmer.

Tuesday 27th May 2025: 12(Noon) MASS in the Lady Chapel

**Thursday 29th May 2025 : Outdoor Parish Mass
for The Feast of the Lord's Ascension**
Readings: Acts 1. 1-11, S. Luke 24. 44-end.
Reader: Doug Neale | Intercessor: Stephen Brooks.
Chalice Administration: Stephen Brooks.

**1st June : ✠ Parish Family Mass
for Environment & Creation Care Sunday.**
Readings: Genesis 1. 1-5, S. Matthew 6. 25-34.
Reader & Intercessors: Members of the Junior Church.
Chalice Administration: David Gilbert & Eileen Sinclair.

Upcoming Parish Mass | ✠ Parish Family Mass Services (with †JC - Junior Church)

JUNE

8th June : PENTECOST †JC.
15th June : TRINITY SUNDAY †JC.
22nd June : Votive for Corpus Christi †JC.
29th June : Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul †JC.

JULY

6th July : ✠ ST. THOMAS PATRONAL FEASTAL †JC.
13th July : 4th after Trinity †JC.
20th July : 5th after Trinity †JC.
27th July : 6th after Trinity.

AUGUST

3rd August : Votive for The Transfiguration.
10th August : 8th after Trinity.
17th August : 9th after Trinity.
24th August : S. Bartholomew | 10th after Trinity.
31st August : 11th Sunday after Trinity.



Parish prayers – The Wider Church: especially; **Bishop George Dawson-Ahmoah** and for the Churches of Nkoranza, Ghana. **Pfr. Jens Oehme** and for the people of the L  therkirche, Hartau in Chemnitz, Germany. **Revd. Canon Clement Francis M.P.S. (Emeritus)** and for the people of Christ the King, Hillsborough, Carriacou, Grenada. **The Church of England & Wider Anglican Communion:** for wisdom and discernment for all in the appointment of the next Spiritual Head of the Church of England, and all other spiritual and ministerial roles it embodies. **The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham:** especially; for Fr. Ben Eadon, for all who work, worship or are on Pilgrimage in the Holy Shrine. **This Diocese:** especially; **+Sarah**, Bishop of London, **+Lusa**, Bishop of Willesden, **The Venerable Catherine**, The Archdeacon of Northolt. **The Cathedral Church of S. Paul the Apostle:** our London Diocesan Mother Church and for all who work and worship there. **Our Church:** especially; **The Reverend. Julia Palmer** and her family. Our Wardens and PCC members. For our Church Family. For the continued flourishing of our Junior Church and Youth Groups and for their leaders. For all the community groups who make use of the Church Hall throughout the week. For our Eco Church Group, Hall Refurbishment Group, Church & Mission Growth Group and all other ministries and activities of our Parish. May we continue to grow as a community in grace and minister to all in truth and love. **For a flourishing of neighbourly loving and community in our Parish, in Hanwell and beyond:** especially; in our local schools of Oaklands Primary, St. Mark’s Primary & Elthorne High School, and for all who live and work in our Parish. **The World:** especially; The Holy Land, Palestine, Gaza, the Middle East, India & Pakistan, Myanmar, Syria, Sudan, DR Congo and Ukraine. **For those who are housebound, in hospital or care homes. For all who are sick, in any need or distress. All who are have asked of our prayers for them in their hours of need:** especially; John Ball, John Brake, Nigel & Davina Brooks, Bryn, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Elaine Cole, Patrick Dennerly, Emma Doherty, Daphne Dorival, Leo & Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Darren Hancock, Rachael Harrison, Brian Hunt, Ian King, Jaxon Prentice, Nick Lunn, Rufus Mansley, Alison Montgomery, Thomas Morley, Jody Osbourne, Owen, Ann Ross, Sarah, Gill Shaw, Julia Schumman, Colin Spooner and John Tozer. **The Recently Departed:** especially; Michael Harrison and Anthony Clayton. **Those whose years mind falls at this time:** especially; Harry Harding-Wyatt, Margaret Cooper, Verna George and Faith Emmeline Gay.

✠ May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and rise in glory. ✠



Archdeacon’s Visitation Service in Ealing 2025

The Church Wardens of St Joseph the Worker, Northolt, are pleased to invite you to a special service for the Institution, Installation and Induction of

The Revd. Dean Matthew Ayres,
as Vicar of St Joseph the Worker.

on Thursday 19 June 2025 at 7pm.

St Joseph the Worker, Beauvais Terrace (off Yeading Lane), Northolt, UB5 6JS

Refreshments will be served after the service

Limited off-street parking available

We would be honoured by your presence at this joyful occasion as we formally welcome Dean to his new ministry.

Kindly RSVP to:

saintjosephtheworkernortholt@gmail.com

by Thursday 12 June.

Admission of Churchwardens

Celebration of 2030 Vision
and Ministry in the Deanery

Presentation on Common Fund 2025 for Treasurers
and Parish Representatives

Tuesday 18th June 2025

Location: St Thomas Hanwell, 182 Boston Rd,
London W7 2AD

[Map](#)

Churchwardens Registration from 19.00

The Service begins at 19.30





Art and Music from the 1950s

Join us for an evening of cheese and wine with Colin Lomas, as he brings us a talk and presentation on the Arts and Musical stylings from the 1950's era.

Thursday 29th May 2025
7.30pm - 9pm in the Church Hall.

£10 per person.

All monies raised are for the Hall Renovation Project.



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A Memorial for Michael Harrison

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory.

St Thomas the Apostle,
Hanwell, W7 2AD.

Monday, June 2nd, 2025
11:00 AM

All Welcome.



JOIN OUR SPONSORED WALK

WALK FOR OUR HALL RENOVATION PROJECT

Join us on **Sunday June, 29th** for our **Sponsored Walk** to help support our Hall Renovation Project and enabling better our local community outreach programs. Every step you take will make a difference in the lives of those who make use of the Parish Hall. Bring your family and friends, and enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship, all while raising funds for a worthy cause!

Together, we can make a difference.

