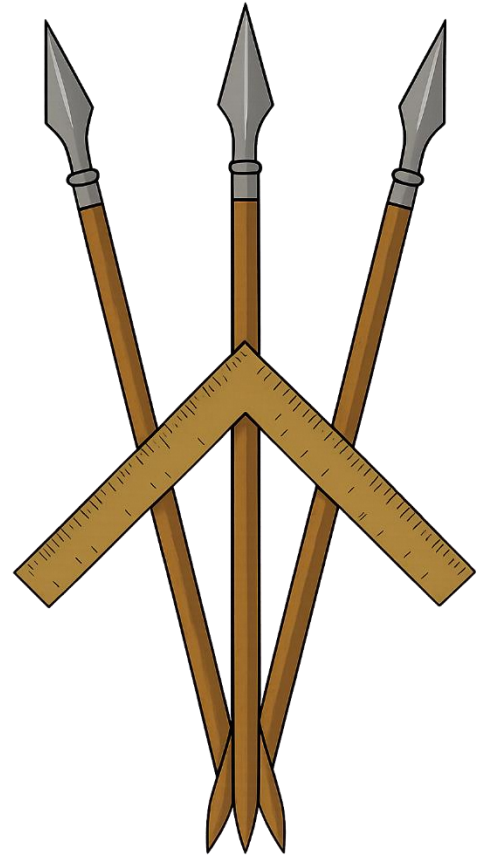


ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE
BOSTON ROAD, HANWELL, W7 2AD



6th July 2025

Feast of S. Thomas, Apostle

*Patronal Festal
Parish Family Mass*

*‘Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!”
Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed;
blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” ‘
(S. John 20. 28,29)*

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 A New Peoples Mass by Andrew Gregory Murray.

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

The Gathering & Welcome

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

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

All: Amen

✠ Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you

First Hymn: 173 Blessed Thomas, doubt no longer. (Tune: #265 - 'Regent Square')

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

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith. (*Hebrews 12.1*)

**All: Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
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.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

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

**All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace for 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.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.
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.
Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; 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: Ephesians 2: 19-end. *(Reading is read by members of the Junior Church)*

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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

Gradual Hymn: By all your saints still striving. (Tune: #453 - 'Morning Light')

1. By all your saints still striving,
for all your saints at rest,
your holy Name, O Jesus,
for evermore be blessed.
You rose, our King victorious,
that they might wear the crown
and ever shine in splendour
reflected from your throne.

2. All praise, O Lord, for Thomas
whose short-lived doubtings prove
your perfect twofold nature,
the depth of your true love.
To all who live with questions
a steadfast faith afford;
and grant us grace to know you,
made flesh, yet God and Lord.

3. Then let us praise the Father
and worship God the Son
and sing to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One.
Till all the ransomed number
who stand before the throne
ascribe all pow'r and glory
and praise to God alone.

The Gospel

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: 'Have you believed because you have seen me? : Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' (John 20. 29)

All: Alleluia.

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **S. Matthew 16. 13-19.**

All ✠✠✠ Glory to you, O Lord.

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark

of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

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

The Sermon or Homily is given.

Preacher: Rowland Linder (M.E.S. Intern at St. Martin's, Ruislip)

The Motet is sung. 'Great and wonderful, Lord God.' (Großer Gott)

Great and wonderful, Lord God,
are your works, creation shows it;
just and true are all your ways,
every saint profoundly knows it.
With all saints, throughout our days
we shall sing Gods worthy praise.

3. Great the Holy Spirit's grace,
tempering the human story;
sinners are transformed to saints,
changed from glory into glory,
With all saints, throughout our days
we shall sing Gods worthy praise.

2. Great the love of God in Christ,
taking flesh and touched by sorrow;
pouring out his inmost soul
to enrich the saints tomorrow,
With all saints, throughout our days
we shall sing Gods worthy praise.

Words: David Mowbray
Music: Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna c.1774
Arranged: John Barnard.

The Nicene Creed

**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 members of the Junior Church)*

Dear God, in Church today we celebrate St Thomas, our patron saint. Please help us when we do not know what to do and are suffering with doubts and fears like St Thomas. Please help us to find the right way and give us peace in our uncertainty.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

Dear God, We pray for the priests & people of St. Thomas the Apostle, Orchard Street, Portman Square. We give thanks for the money raised through the sale of that Church which allowed our own St Thomas's Church to come into being. We also pray for our Mother Church of St Paul's and ask you to bless the people who run the cathedral.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

Dear God, Today we come together as a Church family to celebrate St Thomas. We pray for our own families and thank them for all they do for us. Please keep them happy and healthy and make sure we support them as they support us.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

Dear God, Today after Church we will join together to share and enjoy food. We pray for families who are suffering hunger and hardship at this time and thank you for all the food that we have. Please bring love, security and hope to those in need and help us to be generous.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

Dear God As the Summer holidays approach and we look forward to our holidays, we thank you for the gift of summer, for the longer days and warmer weather. We look forward to enjoying some rest and time with family and friends. We remember those who are working or unable to enjoy the holidays and pray for them.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

Dear God, We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. We think in particular about those in Israel, Gaza, Iran and Ukraine. Instead of hatred, let there be love. Shelter your children and protect us.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

Dear God, Please help all those who are unwell or caring for others who are ill. Give them strength and comfort. We also pray for all those who have passed away recently and those who are grieving.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

In the last week we have had very hot weather, which reminds us of how delicate Earth is. We pray for those affected by extreme weather of all types and promise to do all we can to protect our planet and be kind to all living things.

Lord, in your mercy. **All: Hear our prayer.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near. (*Ephesians 2.19,17*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

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

Offertory Hymn: 197 For all the Saints. (vv. 1, 2, 4, 7 & 8)

Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever,

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

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 and good that we should give you thanks, praise and glory, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For after his resurrection he sent out his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and lead us in the way of truth.

Himself the chief cornerstone, he founded his Church upon the apostles firmly to stand for ever as a sign of your holiness upon earth and a living witness to all of the way that leads to heaven. And so with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we lift our voices and join in their unending hymn of praise:

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

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

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, 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

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, 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:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

✠ Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

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 Lamb of God (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.**

The Priest, Altar Party, Choir and the People all receive communion.

If you are baptised and receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive communion here.

You are welcome to receive a blessing instead of communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

Communion Hymn: 297 Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayers after Communion

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 are given.

Final Hymn: 339 Be thou my vision.

The Blessing

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with Peter and Paul and all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.



S. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
PATRONAL FESTIVAL CELEBRATION WEEKEND

Join Us for a 'Bring & Share' Lunch

Let's come together for food, fun, and fellowship on
6th July 2025, from 12pm, in the Parish Hall.

All are warmly welcome!



ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE,
HANWELL, W7 2AD.

Join Us for our spectacular 'Hanwell's Got Talent'



A NIGHT OF TALENT AND COMMUNITY FUN.

SATURDAY 12TH JULY 2025 AT 7.30PM

An evening filled with fun and unforgettable memories.
This event is perfect for the whole family!
Join us for captivating performances by local talents and show
your support for our community.

**FUNDRAISER FOR
ST THOMAS' HALL RENOVATION**



All proceeds will go
towards the **renovation**
of St Thomas' Hall.

Join us to enjoy the show
and make a difference in
our community!

Raffle & Pay Bar.

Tickets: (Early Bird)

(Before 5th July)
Adults: £12.
Children: £6.

Tickets: (On the Day)

Adults: £14.
Children: £7.

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6:30pm: Book of Common Prayer Service of Evening Prayer - Led by: Stephen Brooks

Psalm(s): 139 (pg. 525), Epistle: Job: 42. 1-6, Gospel: 1 Peter 1. 3-12.

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 (*8.30am on Fridays).

Led on Mondays by The Reverend Julia Palmer. | On Tuesdays & Fridays by Stephen Brooks.

On Wednesdays and Thursdays, The Office is said in-person in the Lady Chapel by The Reverend Julia Palmer.

Tuesday 8th July 2025: 12(Noon) MASS in the Lady Chapel

Sunday 13th July 2025: Parish Family Mass for Fourth Sunday after Trinity. (*Proper 10*).

Deuteronomy 30. 9-14, Psalm 25. 1-10, Colossians 1. 1-14, S. Luke 10. 25-37.

Readers: Pauline Britton & Steve Purcell | Intercessors: Eileen Sinclair

Chalice: Fade Solanke-Mitterer & David Gilbert.



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 utherkirche, Hartau in Chemnitz, Germany. **Rev. 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. **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. We pray for our Wardens, PCC, and all who serve in our Church. Bless our young people, their leaders, and all who make use of the Parish Hall. Strengthen our ministries and guide us as we grow in grace, serving others in truth and love. **We pray for a deepening of love and community in our Parish, in Hanwell and beyond.** Bless our local schools—Oaklands, St. Mark's, Elthorne and also New Level Academy especially in its work with marginalised youth. Be with all who live, work, and enrich our community. **The World:** especially; The Holy Land, Palestine, Gaza, the Middle East, India & Pakistan, Myanmar, Syria, Sudan, DR Congo and Ukraine. **We pray for the housebound, the sick, and all in hospital or care. For those in need or distress, and all who have asked for our prayers in their time of need:** especially; John Ball, John Brake, Nigel & Davina Brooks, Bryn, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Elaine Cole, Patrick Dennerly, Daphne Dorival, Leo & Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Darren Hancock, Rachael Harrison, Brian Hunt, Ian King, Jaxon Prentice, Nick Lunn, Rufus Mansley, Arda & Joe Metcalf, Alison Montgomery, Stuart Minty, Thomas Morley, Jody Osbourne, Owen, Nicholas Robinson, Sarah, Julia Schumman, Gill Shaw, Keith & Sara Spillet, Colin Spooner, John Tozer and Kris Wilson. **The recently departed and those whose years mind falls at this time:** especially; Margaret Duce, Rachel Emma Crowe, Gerald Robert Lamb, Brigit Carter, John S. Ravel, Alfie Foxwell, Elizabeth Caird and Chris Cosstick.

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



Rowland Linder Youth & Children's Intern

We have an Intern starting with us in September

- Rowland Linder -

who will be helping with our Youth and Children's ministries.

She will be with us for a year.

We are looking for accommodation for her (room in a house).

If anyone is in a position to offer this then please see and speak to Reverend Julia.

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