



30 AUGUST 2026
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER TRINITY
PARISH MASS

PREACHER & CELEBRANT
THE REVEREND DAVID NENO
ST PETER'S, NORTH EALING



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 and reflections this coming week.

The Gathering

The Processional Hymn 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour.

The Greeting

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Prayer of Preparation

**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 Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Invitation to Confession

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins, in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
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 grant that we may serve you in newness of life**

to the glory of your name.
Amen.

The Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

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.
Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis

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

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The First Reading

(Read by: Doug Neale)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

This is the word of the Lord.

(Jeremiah 15. 15-21)

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

℟: Lord, I love the place where your glory abides.

Give judgement for me, O Lord, for I have walked with integrity; ♦ I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

Test me, O Lord, and try me; ♦ examine my heart and my mind.

For your love is before my eyes; ♦ I have walked in your truth.

I have not joined the company of the false, ♦ nor consorted with the deceitful.

I hate the gathering of evildoers ♦ and I will not sit down with the wicked.

I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, ♦ that I may go about your altar,

To make heard the voice of thanksgiving ♦ and tell of all your wonderful deeds.

Lord, I love the house of your habitation ♦ and the place where your glory abides.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

℟: Lord, I love the place where your glory abides.

Psalm 26 1-8. (Judicame, Domine)

The Second Reading

(Read by: Pauline Harrison)

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

This is the word of the Lord.

(Romans 12. 9-21)

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn 431 O thou who camest from above.

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.'

(Matthew 16.24)

Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠✠✠ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you O Lord.

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done.

Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom’.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

(Matthew 16. 13-20)

Praise to you O Christ.

The Sermon or Homily

The Motet

‘Wondrous Cross’

Music: Phillip Wilby (b. 1949) | Words: Issac Watts (1674-1748)

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the cross of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.
See from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e’er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Nicene Creed

**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.

The Prayers of Intercession

(Led by: Steve Purcell)

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn 475 Ye holy angels bright.

Prayer over the Gifts

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.

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.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *singing*:

**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.

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:

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, 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.

Amen. ✠

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The Agnus Dei

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 Prayer of Humble Access

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 Invitation to Communion

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

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

Holy Communion is offered in both kinds, but you are free to receive in one kind only. If you wish to receive in both kinds, please do not dip (intinct) the Eucharistic wafers into the wine. 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 191 Around the throne of God a band. (Tune #358ii 'Rievaulx')

Prayers after Communion

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**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.**

Parish Notices

Final Hymn 368 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer.

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The peace of God that passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; ✠ and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

6:30pm: Book of Common Prayer Service of Evening Prayer | Led by: Steve Purcell
Psalm(s): 105. 1-15. The Epistle: 2 Kings 6. 24-25; 7. 3-end. New Testament: Acts 17. 1-16.

Throughout the week, the Daily Office of Morning Prayer is observed in the Church.

Monday (9am - Live-streamed on Facebook) | Tuesday & Thursday (In Person – in the Children's Chapel)

Wednesday (9am - on Zoom) Meeting ID: 817 7679 6653 | Passcode: 861505

Friday, Morning Prayer is at 8.30am (Live-streamed on Facebook)

All are warmly welcome to join us, whether in person or online.

Tuesday 1 September 2026 12(Noon) MASS in the Lady Chapel

Sunday 30 August: Parish Mass for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Reader(s) & Intercessor(s): Members of the Junior Church | Chalice: Rev'd Nileshwar Patel & Alison Baxendale

WHAT'S ON AT
ST THOMAS'

Over 50's Fellowship 'Bring & Share Lunches

2 September, 7 October, 4 November, 2 December

Pictures by the Park Socials: First Saturday of the Month

5 September, 7 November & 5 December

Parish Family Mass for 'Back to School Sunday' 6th September

Service of Confirmations with Right Reverend Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy (Bishop of Willesden)

20th September

'One Night Only' (in aid of St Thomas' Hall Renovation Fund) Saturday 26 September, from 8pm

Posh Pictures by the Park Social 3 October

Harvest Ceilidh Saturday 17 October

St Thomas' Quiz Night Saturday 14 November

PARISH PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Church: We pray for the Church throughout the world, for ✠ Bishop George Dawson-Ahmoah (Nkoranza); Pfr. Jens Oehme (Lütherkirche, Chemnitz); and Revd Canon Clement Francis (Christ the King, Carriacou).

We pray for the Church of England: ✠ Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; ✠ Emma, Acting Bishop of London; ✠ Lusa, Bishop of Willesden; Catherine, Archdeacon of Northolt; and St Paul's Cathedral.

Parish and Community: We give thanks for the church of St Thomas the Apostle. We pray for Julia, our Priest, and Nilesh, our Curate. We pray also for Stephen, our Administrator and Pastoral Assistant, as he discerns your call to Ministry. For our Churchwardens, PCC and for all who serve. We pray for Hanwell, for our schools, and for all who live and work here.

The World: We pray for the world, especially Gaza and Palestine, the Middle East, Lebanon, Yemen, Iran, Iraq, India and Pakistan, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Syria, Sudan, the D.R. of Congo, Venezuela and Ukraine. Grant justice to those in authority, and peace to all peoples.

The Sick: We pray for the sick, the housebound, all who are in hospital or in care, and all who are in need of healing, especially: Anthony, John Ball, Paul Ball, Caroline Baxter, Nigel & Davina Brooks, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Jenny Cornwell, Amy Dobbin, Leo and Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Andrew Everard, Geraldine, Celia Griffith, Darren Hancock, Alison Johns, Ian King, Jaxon Prentice, Nick Lunn, Jane Marland, Arda & Joe Metcalf, Dermot Molloy, Stuart Minty, Marion Newlands, Cynthia Noel, Christine Oxford, Nicholas Robinson, Sarah, Julia Schumman, Carie Schurr, Gill Shaw, Keith & Sara Spillett, Colin Spooner, Linda Williams and Kris Wilson.

Confirmation Candidates: We pray for Benedict and Tobias Howson, Leo Hewlett, and Oliver Allen, preparing for confirmation here in September.

The Recently Departed: especially: John Tonkin, Priest, Leslie Spowart & Sylvia Volkel.

Those whose year's mind falls at this time: especially: Norman Dorival, Veronica Matthews, Kofi Adeji, Elvin Giraldu Lloyd, Robbie Robertson, John Alexis, Louisa Calder and Ann Simon.

Back to School Sunday

You are warmly invited to join us for our Parish Family Mass as we pray for and encourage local pupils, students, school staff, families, carers and guardians.

All children and young people are invited to bring their school bags or equipment for a special blessing.

All are welcome.

Parish Family Mass
Sunday 6 September 2026
10am

*Bags packed? Ready for school?
Come and have them blessed!*



Celebrating the

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

You are warmly invited to join us in prayer and thanksgiving on the Feast of Matthew, Apostle for the celebration of the Laying on of Hands and Confirmation.

Benedict, Tobias, Leo & Oliver



Sunday
20 September
2026



Parish Mass
at 10AM

Conducted by:

The Rt Revd Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy
(Bishop of Willesden)

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