



13 SEPTEMBER 2026

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER TRINITY

(TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

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 and reflections this coming week.

The Gathering

The Processional Hymn 263 All creatures of our God and King. (omit *vv)

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

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

The First Reading

(Read by: Judy Neale)

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

This is the word of the Lord.

(Genesis 50. 15-21)

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

1. **PRAISE the Lord ' O my ' soul : and all that is within me ' praise his ' holy ' Name.**
2. **Praise the Lord ' O my ' soul: and for'get not ' all his ' benefits;**
3. **Who forgiveth ' all thy ' sin : and ' healeth ' all thine in'firmities;**
4. **Who saveth thy ' life from de'struction : and crowneth thee with ' mercy and ' loving ' kindness;**
5. **Who satisfieth thy mouth with ' good ' things : making thee young and ' lusty ' as an ' eagle.**
6. **The Lord executeth ' righteousness and ' judgement : for all ' them that are op'pressed with ' wrong.**
7. **He shewed his ways ' unto ' Moses : his works ' unto the ' children of ' Israel.**
8. **The Lord is full of com'passion and ' mercy : long-suffering ' and of ' great ' goodness.**
9. **He will not ' alway be ' chiding : neither ' keepeth he his ' anger for ' ever.**
10. **He hath not dealt with us ' after our ' sins : nor rewarded us ac'cording ' to our ' wickednesses.**
11. **For look how high the heaven is, in comparison ' of the ' earth : so great is his mercy also ' toward ' them that ' fear him.**
12. **Look how wide also the east is ' from the ' west : so far hath he ' set our ' sins ' from us.**
13. **Yea like as a father pitieth his ' own ' children : even so is the Lord merciful ' unto ' them that ' fear him.**

Glory 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.

Psalm 103. 1-13. (Benedic, anima mea)

The Second Reading

(Read by: Margaret Lydamore)

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

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

(Romans 14. 1-12)

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn 64 Be Thou my guardian and my guide.

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

'God has reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation'.

(2 Corinthians 5. 19)

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.

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be

compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

(Matthew 18. 21-35)

Praise to you O Christ.

The Sermon or Homily

The Motet

Words: Psalm 25. 5-6 | Music: Richard Farrant (c. 1525-1580)

Call to remembrance, O Lord,
thy tender mercy and thy loving kindness which hath been ever of old.
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth,
but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

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: Roger Grange)

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 456 Teach me, my God and King.

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. ✠

The Lord's Prayer

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 449 Soldiers of Christ, arise.

Prayers after Communion

**Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our
human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us
to all things profitable to our salvation; 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 & Junior Church

Final Hymn 148 The God of Abraham praise. (omit *vv)

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: Reverend Nileshwar Patel

Psalm(s): 119.41-48. The Epistle: Ezekiel 20. 1-8, 33-44. The New Testament: Acts 20. 17-end.

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 8 September 2026 12(Noon) MASS in the Lady Chapel

Wednesday Bible Study Sessions (During Term Time) 2-3.30pm & 7-8.30pm in the Lady Chapel.

Sunday 20 September 2026: Service of Confirmation within the Parish Mass on the Feast of St Matthew

Reader(s): Stephen Brooks & Chris Michell | Intercessor(s): Fade Solanke-Mitterer | Chalice: Stephen Brooks & Steve Purcell

WHAT'S ON AT
ST THOMAS'

Study Morning with Leslie Pringle - Reading the Bible Exploring Different Approaches

19th September, from 9.45am

Service of Confirmation within the Parish Mass on the Feast of St Matthew

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

20th September at 10am

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

Pictures by the Park Socials: First Saturday of the Month

3 October, 7 November & 5 December

Over 50's Fellowship 'Bring & Share Lunches

7 October, 4 November, 2 December

Harvest Ceilidh Barn Dance Saturday 17 October, from 7.30 – 10.30pm

St Thomas' Quiz Night Saturday 14 November

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Parish Office Opening Hours: • Tuesday–Thursday 9.00am–2.00pm • Closed Mondays & Fridays

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 Niles, our Curate. We pray also for Stephen 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, Nepal, 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, Osa Boating, Nigel & Davina Brooks, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Jenny Cornwell, Amy Dobbin, Leo and Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Geraldine, Celia Griffith, Darren Hancock, Alison Johns, Ian King, Jaxon Prentice, Everard Lendor, Nick Lunn, Jane Marland, Arda & Joe Metcalf, Dermot Molloy, Stuart Minty, Marion Newlands, Cynthia Noel, Nicholas Robinson, Sarah, Julia Schumman, Carie Schurr, Gill Shaw, Keith & Sara Spillett, Colin Spooner and Linda Williams.

Confirmation Candidates: We pray for Benedict and Tobias Howson, Leo Hewlett, and Oliver Allen, preparing for confirmation next weekend here at St Thomas', with Right Reverend ✠Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy.

The Recently Departed: especially we pray for the repose of the soul of Jeffrey Skull.

Those whose year's mind falls at this time: especially: Daisy French, Kenneth Cooper, Sue Cosstick, John Wilson and Albert Edward George Brooks



— 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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