

The Catholic Parishes of Borehamwood
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2nd July 2023: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St Teresa's church is monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and SS John Fisher & Thomas More. These can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website



FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Services for the forthcoming week

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| Saturday 1st July | Vigil: 13th Sunday | 6pm (SSJFTM) | Obi Nwajei & Amelia Bday Thanksgiving |
| Sunday 2nd July | 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8.30am (SSJFTM) | Marie Liseby Monneron RIP |
| | | 10am (St T) | Antonio Espino RIP |
| | | Noon (St T) | Philip Carey RIP |
| Monday 3rd July | St Thomas | 9.15am (St T) | Margaret & Peter Costa RIP |
| Tuesday 4th July | Feria | 9.15am (St T) | Eric & Mary Thompson RIP (Ann) |
| Wednesday 5th July | No Mass | | |
| Thursday 6th July | Feria | 9.15am (St T) | Mike Garbett (Int) |
| Friday 7th July | Feria | 9.15am (St T) | Paddy McKenna RIP (Bday) |
| Saturday 8th July | Vigil: 14th Sunday | 6pm (SSJFTM) | Derek Smith RIP |

Mass Intentions now booked through until September 2023

Confessions Saturdays 10am-10.40am St Teresa's & 5pm-5.40pm SSJFTM

Liturgy of the Word - 2nd July 2023

Entrance Antiphon: All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!
Responsorial Psalm: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!
Next Sunday Readings: Zechariah 9:9-10, Psalm 144:1-2,8-11,13-14, rv1, Romans 8:9,11-13, Matthew 11:25-30

Fr Dominic writes: And here we go again and it is wonderful to behold.

Every year when our parish comes to the end of June we know that all of the First Holy Communion Celebrations have been completed, the Confirmation Candidates have been Confirmed and we are looking for new candidates for the 2023 / 2024 programmes. As Parish Priest I am always so proud of our parents and young people who are carrying on with the Catholic traditions of generations. It is a great sign of growth in any parish and I always feel blest to be part of the formation of the next generation of Catholics.

Every year we seek out people who are looking to join our Faith and Church. It is always exciting to see adults embracing the Faith and wanting to be initiated. This always makes our Easter Saturday Vigil so significant and moving for all of the Parish. So, if you know of any person who has shown an interest in becoming a Catholic or wanting to know more about the Church tell them to get in touch.

Since I was ordained in 1994 I have always put on a short and intense Course for Adult Confirmation, once a year. This is important as many Catholics miss their Confirmation as teenagers for a myriad of reasons. We must always be able to give people a chance and every year we have candidates who avail themselves of the opportunity provided.

In the Catholic Church anyone getting Married must attend a Pre-Marriage Preparation Course. Marriage is a very important sacrament and must be treated very seriously. In our Parish we put on three courses, one in February, one in June and one in October. It is an intense Course from Friday evening 7.30pm to 9.00pm and Saturday 10.00am to 4.00pm. It is a great course and is really enjoyed by the couples who attend.

Our foundational Sacrament is Baptism and we baptised 00 children in 2022, and so far in 2023 00 have received the sacrament. There is a short Preparation Course and the Baptisms usually take place on a Saturday afternoon, with a Rite of Welcome at a Mass the weekend before the Celebration.

INFORMATION ABOUT ALL THESE SACRAMENTS AND APPLICATION FORMS ON OUR WEBSITE

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,885

Offertory for the last fortnight

Envelopes £ 965

Loose Plate £ 631.76

Contactless donations £ 540

Total for weekends of 18th & 25th June £ 2136.76



Still scrabbling around for cash for the Offertory? Keep forgetting to bring your envelopes?, **why not think about donating by Standing Order?** All you need to do is pick up a standing order mandate & complete & return to us. **Some planned giving envelopes still to be collected.**



Centenary News

Celebration Mass Sunday 22nd June 2025

Celebration weekend—Parish Party 30th August 2025 & Mass 31st August 2025

Premises meeting to be held Monday 10th July 8pm at St Teresa's Presbytery, if you would like to attend, please let Sue know.

The Fund Raising Committee met this week and they have lots of events planned!

Saturday 23rd September: 7pm-9.30pm Family Night

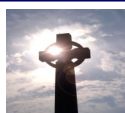
Tickets £3 each or £10 for a family. A night of games, chat & music, bring your own refreshments. A chance to spend time together and with other families after the summer break. Tickets & more details to follow.

Saturday 18th November 7pm-10pm Curry Night

Tickets £12 each, bring you own drink. More details to follow

Cemetery Mass at Allum Lane: Sunday 9th July 2pm.

Come & join us at the annual open air cemetery mass held at Allum Lane.



EVENTS

Parish Sunday Lunch:
Sunday 3rd September 2pm

International Lunch:
Sunday 1st October after Noon Mass

Senior Citizens Christmas Party
Sunday 10th December



BAPTISMS: Our baptisms take place on a Saturday afternoon, at either Noon, 1pm or 2pm, with a Rite of Welcome at your usual Mass the weekend before. They are individual ceremonies. If you would like your child to be baptised, please complete the registration form over the website (under Sacraments) & Sue will get in touch once she receives it. You can have up to four Godparents - no more as we don't have space in the register! - one of whom must be a practising Catholic. You will also need to attend a Baptism Preparation Course - you will be asked to book via the website when you submit your registration. **2023 courses :29th July, 23rd September, 28th October & 25th November. All 3.30pm-4.30pm at St Teresa's Church**

Like to get the newsletter emailed direct to you? Just drop Sue an email and we will add you to the list. You can also view it on our website, or **We can provide a larger print version for you if that helps.**



This year, the dates for Camp Unity are Sunday 30th July to Friday 4th August 2023.

They are currently in the process of getting the forms ready, but can be contacted direct by email on campunityborehamwood@gmail.com. If you are not familiar with the Camp; it is a week-long, overnight camping experience for children based five minutes from the centre of Borehamwood at Well End Scout Campsite and Activity Centre. Children can have a fun, safe, educational and very local camping experience run by practiced and qualified leaders. Their Mission Statement is "CAMP UNITY is a Borehamwood based organisation that provides children and their families with opportunities to meet other cultures and foster friendships, leading to greater community cohesion and the celebration of diversity." Children may camp without parental supervision if they are 6 years of age or over. The parish have sleeping bags and tents available for use by the children, so do not worry if you haven't got them; let us know & you can use ours!



Age UK Hertfordshire is an independent charity providing services to anyone over the age of 50. Our mission is to support older people by delivering services that help make later life a fulfilling and enjoyable experience. Maybe you know someone who is lonely or in need of some support? If so, please get in touch. We are also looking to recruit Volunteers to support our clients to combat loneliness across Hertfordshire, particularly in the Borehamwood area. Anyone over the age of 18 can become a volunteer and there are different ways in which they can contribute. For more info,, please call 07525 070472.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES FOR 2023-24

ONLINE APPLICATIONS NOW FOR FHC & CONFIRMATION VIA WEBSITE ONLY UNDER "SACRAMENTS" TAB.

CLOSING DATE: 17TH SEPTEMBER 2023

FULL PROGRAMME DETAILS TO FOLLOW

