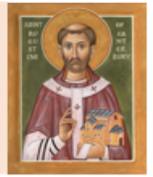




# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY & ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



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## 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Going to Jerusalem

Today's gospel passage opens with a very important moment in the life of Jesus. "As the time drew near for him to be taken up into heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem." These opening words of today's Gospel indicate that we are moving into the second phase of Jesus' public life and the second half of this gospel. For Luke, Jerusalem is the focal point of Jesus' life. It is the centre from which Jesus' great redemptive work unfolds. It is there that the disciples will form a new community to continue the work of Jesus and from Jerusalem it will spread to every corner of the world.

Jesus sets his face "resolutely" for Jerusalem because he goes there ready to undergo whatever is necessary for his work to be completed. Right away, he sets an example and a challenge for our commitment to join in his work and to be ready to take whatever comes in our doing of it.

As Jesus makes his way to Jerusalem, a number of people express a desire to join him. Obviously - like many of us - they do not fully understand just precisely what "going to Jerusalem" really means for Jesus and those who go with him. We can look with profit at these three people because one or more of them represents me.

The first one courageously and generously says to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go." He has a lot of enthusiasm but may not be aware of the realities facing him. Jesus pulls him up short. Even the wild animals have a place to live, he tells the man, but the "Son of Man" has nowhere to call his own. He has no house, no property, and no money. As Winston Church told the British people at the beginning of the Second World War, he had nothing to offer them but "blood, sweat and tears".

We need to be aware of what is expected of a disciple. We must be ready to let go of people and things, of all strings and attachments, of all external securities and props. Am I ready for this? Or do I set up my securities first and then, carrying them with me, decide to follow him? Fr Denis

### ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me,  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesus, hear me.  
Within Thy wounds hide me.  
Permit me not to be separated from Thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me,  
And bid me come to Thee,  
That, with thy saints, I may praise Thee,  
For ever and ever.  
Amen.

### CONSECRATION OF WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

Westminster Cathedral is relatively 'modern' in historical terms. Building only began in 1895 and completed just eight years later in 1903. The timetable for the consecration extended over three days from June 27 to June 29, the great feast of SS Peter and Paul. The Westminster Chronicle said it was, 'an epoch in the history of the Catholic Church in England'. Cardinal Vaughan wanted to "put Catholicism back on the map...to inspire & encourage his flock after centuries of being forced into the shadows". His promise, on his appointment, to build a new Cathedral had been delivered in 15 years.

**Children's liturgy is back:** There will now be a regular 'family mass' on the first Sunday of every month. Children's liturgy will be held weekly at the 10.30 Sunday Mass

**St. John's School** is our Catholic Parish Primary School. Parish families are welcome to visit and have a tour of the school. Please come to the School Office or contact the Head teacher, Tom Tlmsn 01462 892478 to make an appointment. The school website is

<http://www.stjohns4.herts.sch.uk/index.html>

### TEA AND COFFEE (& BISCUITS) AVAILABLE



AFTER 10.30 MASS EVERY SUNDAY

### HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION, The Feast of SS Peter and Paul on the 28/29<sup>th</sup> June.

The vigil mass for SS Peter and Paul will be on the 28th June, Tuesday night at 7.30 pm. And on Wednesday the 29th June Mass will be at 10.00 am.

**RC HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN:** John O'Neil. Please call the Chaplaincy office at the Lister Hospital Contact Tel: Mobile: 07876 526935 Lister 01438 285518,

**FOR ALL GENERAL PARISH ENQUIRIES CONTACT:** Parish Office: Tel: 01462 893127

**CHURCH HALL HIRE:** Please contact parish office 01462 893127

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** For further information please contact Richard and Marie Miller Tel: 01462 490630.

**RCIA COURSE:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults programme consists of regular weekly meetings; if you would like to find out more please speak directly to Fr. Denis.

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**NEWSLETTER** Please submit items for inclusion, preferably by Tuesday evening, by either emailing the parish email address ([baldock@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:baldock@rcdow.org.uk)) or handing them to Fr. Denis. Thank you

**VATICAN NEWS** Remember that you can keep up with all the latest news from The Vatican at the Official Vatican Network [www.news.va/en](http://www.news.va/en).

Your **SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES** have responsibility for promoting good and safe practices in all activities involving children, young people, and adults at risk. Please Contact: Patricia Cusack & Colette Murphy [Baldocksg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:Baldocksg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk) [Baldocksg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:Baldocksg3@safeguardrcdow.org.uk)

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:**



We pray especially for the sick of the parish especially, and for those who care for and support them. We remember those who have died recently, especially Joe Sarno Pietro Micele, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Netta Summers, Nerina Aldridge, Stanislaw Sacha, Alison Ash Noble and Mary Carson-Rowland.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY** KNIT & NATTER. Our next meeting is this Friday - 1st July in the Holy Family Room 9.30 to 11am. Knitters are welcome to bring your own knitting or you can knit for charity. Any adults wishing to learn how to knit will also be welcome to come along; wool, needles and support will be given as well as a cuppa and a chat. £2 per session which goes towards the church building fund.

**ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year! Were you a pupil or member of staff at St. John's between 1972 and 2008? Come and join us on Saturday July 9th, 2022, between 4.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. for a walk down memory lane. There will be an adult bar and BBQ available. We hope to see you there. Please share with friends and family who attended St. John's.

**ANNUAL OPEN-AIR MASS & PARISH BARBEQUE**



This year will be held at 10.30am on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Please remember that, as there will be **ONLY ONE MASS DURING THE WEEKEND**, we hope that the whole parish will come together and celebrate. Tickets will soon be on sale, with adult tickets priced at £8. A vegetarian option will be available. Tickets for children aged 5 to 12 years will be priced at £4, under 5's are free but must have a ticket to help us to cater for the numbers on the day. Please bring your own drinks and your own chairs for the day. We would appreciate the help of volunteers on the day, and we will put up lists at the back of the Church asking for support, please sign up if you are able to help. It would be a good time to invite family and friends, and please pray for good weather.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES IN BALDOCK CEMETERY**

On Sunday 14th August, the Feast of the Assumption, Father Denis will lead a small service at Baldock Cemetery, which is just off The Sycamores, next to The Orange Tree Pub. He will bless the graves of all our loved ones. If you wish to attend, please be there at 12.30.

Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am 10.30am	Ernest & Alice Skipper
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	ST. JOHN SOUTHWORTH, PRIEST & MARTYR
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am 7.30 pm	Gill Stevenson's intentions Vigil MASS SS PETER & PAUL
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	SS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES Yvonne Crawford RIP
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	Dedication of the Cathedral

Please note that mass intentions as set out above may not always be read out, but the intention is offered.

Holy Hour: Saturday 5.15 - 6.15 pm  
Confessions: Saturday 5.45 - 6.15 pm

Or by appointment with Fr. Denis  
Family Mass: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 10.30 am  
THE WEDNESDAY WORD IS AVAILABLE VIA <http://www.wednesdayword.org/school/index.htm>

Fr. Denis is still celebrating Mass online at 6.30 pm every Saturday night for the Vigil Mass, Sunday morning Mass 10.30am, & morning Masses Monday to Thursday at 10am. All are accessible through the Parish Facebook page: **Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity and St Augustine of Canterbury**. For more information, please go to the Parish website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/baldock>