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#### NEWSLETTER

### Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great



# 7th Sunday of Easter

# THIS WEEK



29th May 2022 7th Sunday of Easter

6pm\*: Anne Hanley+
8.30am: Denis Horgan+
10.30am: Leonora Driscoll+
6.00pm: Vincent Foy+

Monday 30th

**6pm:** Veronica Soosay (int)

Tuesday 31st THE VISITATION OF THE

9.30am: BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Morning Prayer

10.00am: John Joseph+

Wednesday 1st

No Mass

Thursday 2nd

**10.00am:** Pat Flanagan+ 10.30am: Coffee Moming

Friday 3rd

9.30am: Morning Prayer

**10.00am**: Catherine Conway+

12.00pm: Alpha Soup Lunch 1.30pm: Christian Meditation

7.30pm: Transformation Evening with

Dr Ralph C Martin

Saturday 4th

**6pm\*:** Charlie Montague+

5th June8.30am:PENTECOST SUNDAYNina & Lisa Marcangelo (int)

10.30am: Sanya Kiani (int)

**6.00pm:** Mariea Mullally+

## For a Synodal Church, Diocese of Westminster Bishops' Report

'In January, the parishes of the diocese submitted a report on what parishioners had shared about their experience of the church. These responses were summarised and presented at a diocesan gathering in February. Last month, the bishops released a report, which, together with the reports from other dioceses, will shape the agenda of the Synod to be held in Rome in October 2023. What was learned from the parishes in this first phase of the synod preparations? Cardinal Nichols highlighted four points:

- 1) a deep love for the Church.
- 2) a sensitivity shown towards those who are 'missing', who feel left out or distanced
- 3) a need to listen to voices outside of ourselves.
- 4) all is found in Christ alone.

Points 3 and 4 were especially significant in the Bishops' Report.

The need to listen: The word accompaniment often appeared in the responses from parishes. Pope Francis uses the word to describe the pastoral mission of the church - people need to be accompanied by the church. They must be met where they are and, as they are, whoever they are. Only walking with others (the root meaning of the word "synod") can we meaningfully share our faith with others.

Accompaniment was seen as the task of the whole parish community. Everyone associated with the parish needs to be accompanied in one form or another: active members, those who are distant or have withdrawn from the parish, neighbours from other churches, religions, and cultures, as well those in need or distress. All is found in Christ; this was the Cardinal's major point.

Christ's presence is crucial ... His presence always remains. Without Him, we are lost. We have talked about everyone being accepted, our sense of being accepted as we are, begins with Him. because He accepts us, then we can live. We have talked about being non-judgmental and offering forgiveness, our experience and sense of being forgiven for what we have done is rooted in Him. He, the Christ, is the source of forgiveness, we find forgiveness in Him. We have spoken of our dreams for the Church, our sense of being encouraged in what we dream starts with the words of Jesus when He issues His invitations, 'Come follow me' or 'Come and see'

... All is to be found in Him alone.'

The full Bishops' report can be found online: For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission - Diocese of Westminster (rcdow.org.uk)

Fr John

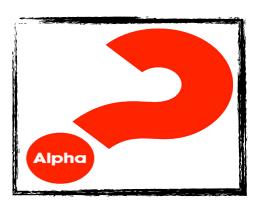
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ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR PARISH? Please visit the parish website on parish.rcdow.org.uk/ barnet where you will find information on the parish, parish groups and much more. Information is also available in the church porch. If you would like to register yourself and/or your family, please email the parish office with your details to barnet@rcdow.org.uk

**NEED TO TALK?** If you would like to speak to Anita pastorally and in confidence, Anita is available on Tuesdays after 10am mass.

Please knock on the presbytery door or email anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk



You are invited to join us on Monday evenings, 7.30 pm on 6th June, and Friday lunchtimes, 12.00 pm - 3rd June. Please register your interest at www.bametalpha.com.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

This day was made by the Lord, we rejoice, **x2**This day was made by the Lord, we rejoice and are glad!

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#### COMMUNION

Jesus lead us to the Father, by your Spirit, help us draw near (x2)

As we come with awe and gladness, help us draw near (x2)

Alleluia, alleluia, help us draw near. (x2)

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## **NOTICES**

## WELCOME!

**SATURDAY CLASSES:** Summer Term All Primary school children not attending Catholic Schools are welcome to come and learn about their Catholic Faith.

During the sessions we pray together, we talk, sing songs and make new friends.

Venue: The JP Room

**Time:** From 9.30am to 10.45am **Dates:** June: 11th & 25th, **July:** 9th

#### PARISH EVANGELISATION CELL GROUPS

Acts 2:42, 44, 46; 4:32 tells us about the small communities of Christians who gathered in their homes to follow the teachings of Jesus. Small group (communities) have always been part of the tradition of the Church.

Within our parish these small groups take the form of Cell Groups, where a group of 6-12 members meet regularly to pray with scripture, praise God, listen to a teaching and intercede for others. If you are interested in joining a group or would like to find out more, please contact: Tamara on 07984 187799

#### CHRIST THE KING PARISH, Cockfosters





**PLEASE NOTE** no Parent and Toddler Group on 31st May (because it's half term) we resume on the 7th June.



FAMILIES TOGETHER: Please join us for the first of our once-a-month family afternoons of prayers, activities, and refreshments in Church on Monday 6th June at 3.45pm, for more details email <a href="mailto:anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk">anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk</a>

**CAFOD MEETING:** 6.30pm Monday 6th June in the J.P. Room. Please come and hear about new CAFOD campaigns and how you can be involved. All very welcome.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Please note that Union Street will be closed from 12 Noon until 6pm on Sunday 5th June for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations. Use rear Car Park for 6pm Mass.

FR JOHN: invites Parishioners to join him in Walsingham from Monday 1st to 5th August 2022 for a pilgrimage to Our Lady's National Shrine – a time of prayer, praise and fellowship. Early registration is recommended. Please see the link for registration. <a href="https://www.newdawn.org.uk/">https://www.newdawn.org.uk/</a>

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and Homebound including:

Catherine Malone, Edel O'Sullivan, Linda Quilter, Sean Kelly, Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Linda & Stuart Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Margaret Trehy, Joe Connolly, Mary Harris, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Marlene Hollocks, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, ohn Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, Suzanne Greig, Paul Stephens, George Buhagia and Paul Dempsey

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