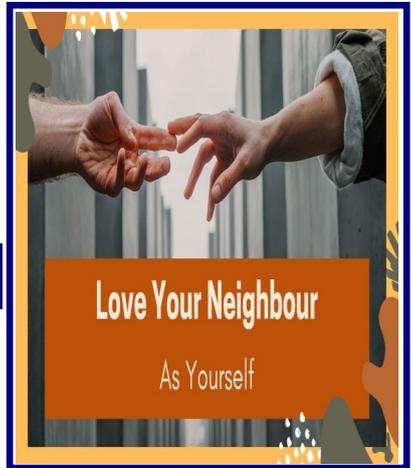


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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 26th June:

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 25th June	Vigil: 13th Sunday	6.00pm	Clare Clark RIP
Sunday 26th June	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am	People of the Parish
		10.30am	Edna Dempsey RIP
Tuesday 28th June	St Irenaeus	7.00pm	Chris Lee RIP
Wednesday 29th June	SS Peter & Paul	9.15am	Clare Clark RIP
	Holy Day of Obligation	7.00pm	Bernie Maguire
Thursday 30th June	Feria	9.15am	Dick Carey RIP
Friday 1st July	Dedication of the Cathedral		No 9.15am Mass
		12.30pm	Funeral Mass of Clare Clark
Saturday 2nd July	Vigil: 14th Sunday	6.00pm	People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS Saturday 5.30pm or see Fr John

Liturgy of the Word: 26th June 2022

Entrance Antiphon:	All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!
Responsorial Psalm:	O Lord, it is you who are my portion.
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!
Next week's Readings:	Isaiah 66:10-14, Psalm 65, Galatians 6:14-18, Luke 10:1-9

Gospel Reflection

In this week's Gospel, Jesus had intended to stop in a Samaritan town on his way to Jerusalem. This was a controversial choice because Jews and Samaritans despised each other. When Jesus told the parable of the Good Samaritan it would have been a difficult one for the Scribes and Pharisees to hear, because the hero of the story was the Samaritan who helps the man lying beaten and robbed whilst the (Jewish) priest and levite ignore him.

On this occasion, the Samaritans refuse to show hospitality to a Jew on his way to Jerusalem. The apostles want to send down fire to destroy the town. Jesus rebukes them and they move on elsewhere.

Jesus shows us that his followers must proclaim the kingdom of God, even in what might be a hostile environment, and be patient with those not yet ready to receive it. Pope Benedict reminded us that God's word is proclaimed most effectively when we live the Gospel in such a way that we attract others to want to experience Jesus. Jesus accepted the possibility that he might not be made welcome in the Samaritan town, but he still reached out to those who were likely to reject him and attempted to enter there. He was determined to announce the Good News, even where it might not be welcomed. He did not want those who rejected him to be punished, but he accepted their freedom to choose; withdrawing to give them more time to think again and accept him. We ask for God's grace to live our faith in a manner which is attractive to others and to show love and patience to all those around us.

"Christians have the duty to proclaim the Gospel without excluding anyone. Instead of seeming to impose new obligations, they should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invite others to a delicious banquet."

(Pope Francis)

Peter's Pence- Sunday 26th June

This weekend the annual collection for Peter's Pence will be made. These contributions support Pope Francis' apostolic and charitable ministry. This includes supporting poor dioceses around the world and people in serious difficulties.

Ss Peter & Paul Feast Day is on Wednesday 29th June. It is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Mass times are 9.15am & 7pm

Secret Garden Party

Thursday 7th July, 6pm-9pm, at College Garden, Westminster Abbey. Tickets start at £55 per person and include a barbecue, alcoholic and soft drinks, live entertainment and a raffle & auction.

Tickets can be purchased here on our website:

<https://passage.org.uk/get-involved/events/garden-party/>

All ticket purchases help us to continue our vital work supporting London's most vulnerable people. See Poster at the back of Church.



Save the date: 16-17th July 2022. Marriage Encounter are hosting a non-residential marriage enrichment weekend. This is a wonderful opportunity for couples to spend time reflecting on, refreshing and rejoicing in their wonderful vocation.

For details go to:

<https://wwme.org.uk/weekend/me-weekendhend-on-16th-to-17th-july-2022/>

Vincentian Volunteers are Catholic young people aged 18-35, from all over the world, who commit a year of their lives to the service of vulnerable people. During their year with us, they live in a community of three or four people and engage in voluntary work in partnership with other, well known charity organisations in order to help the impoverished, the homeless, the disabled, refugees and those suffering with addictions within the local community. We are still recruiting for 2022/23 (September 2022 to July 2023) for more details visit <https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk>

Will You take the first Step? CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 – LOOKING TO LISBON

World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/> or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at youth@rcdow.org.uk. **Please apply by 31 July 2022.**

Please remember all our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially

Helen Birch, Tom O'Connor, Bebe Ryan and Bernadette Cruickshank.

GIFT AID NOTICES

If your current donations to the church are Gift Aided and you are no longer a UK Taxpayer please let us know immediately for our end of year tax purposes. You can send us an email to carpenderspark@rcdow.org.uk. Thank you.

GOOD NEWS- From all of the donations that are Gift Aided **we have claimed £5,496.06 in Gift Aid Tax** for 2021 to 2022.

Gift Aid your donation and a **£1** donation become **£1.25**, at no extra cost to you. Please call the office for more information or just simply pick up a form.

Offertory for Sunday 19th June

Envelopes £ 233.22.

Loose Plate £ 245.49

Total £ 478.71

Many thanks