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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 18th June 2023

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MASS INTENTIONS

St Alban

Saturday 17th June Vigil: 11th Sunday 6.00pm People of the Parish

Sunday 18th June 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8.30am Maurice Rodrigo & John Crowle RIP

10.30am Patrick Colohan RIP
7.00pm Margaret Newell RIP
9.15am Kay & David Bloomfield

Wednesday 21st June St Aloysius Gonzaga 9.15am Kay & David Bloomfield Thursday 22nd June SS John Fisher & Thomas More 9.15am Hoyle & Mabe families RIP

Friday 23rd June Feria 9.15am Maria Pereira

followed by Holy Hour

Saturday 24th June Vigil: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6.00pm Christy Madden RIP

CONFESSIONS Saturday 5.30pm or see Fr John

Mass Intentions: Please leave plenty of time if you want a special date

Liturgy of the Word: 18th June 2023

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

Responsorial Psalm: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Tuesday 20th June

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,

says the Lord,

I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Next week's Readings: Jeremiah 20: 10-13 Psalm 68 Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 10:26-33

In our Gospel today Jesus sends out his apostles to spread the good news that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. He taught his apostles to pray that God's kingdom might be established on earth as it was in heaven. In Jesus' time and in our own day, God's kingdom on earth is upheld by people who know God's love and mercy and who in return willingly love and honour Him as their Lord and King.

If we believe in the Lord Jesus, the Word of God made flesh, and in the power of the Gospel, we will know and experience the freedom, joy, and power he gives us that enables us to live and witness as his disciples. Heaven is not only about us sharing in the presence of God in the world to come; in our lives in this world, if we know the love and mercy of Jesus Christ, then we already possess heaven in our hearts.

Jesus commissioned his disciples to carry on the works which he performed - to speak God's word and to bring his healing power to the sick, the weary and oppressed. In selecting the twelve apostles we see that Jesus chose very ordinary people. Some were fishermen, they were not wealthy or powerful. They were not drawn from the religious leaders of the day. They were chosen from working people who did ordinary things, who had no special education or social advantages.

Jesus chose ordinary people who, preaching the good news and invoking his name, found that they could accomplish extraordinary things. He chose his apostles, as a potter chooses the clay, and fashioned them for divine purpose. Guided by Jesus and filled with the power of his love, they healed the sick and performed miracles in his name.

When the Lord calls us to serve, we must not think we have nothing or very little to offer. The Lord takes ordinary people, like us, and enables us to build up his kingdom.

Day for Life -17/18 June

This weekend there will be a **second collection for Day for Life**. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. This year the theme is *'Listen to Her'* and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others. The funds raised will support life projects across the whole spectrum of life. For further information visit https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/

Racial Justice webinar

Bishop Paul McAleenan will be hosting a webinar on **Tuesday 11th July 2pm-3:30pm** to build upon the work that has taken place around Racial Justice Sunday in recent years.

This includes the Image and Likeness of God initiative which celebrates images of Our Lady and the Child Jesus from a range of countries and cultures, and the Walking Together, Praying Together, and Working Together project, which reflects on the role that each of us has to play in promoting the mission of Christ and His Church. Register for this free Zoom event via https://www.cbcew.org.uk/webinar-racial-justice-in-the-church/

Dominican Order 800th Anniversary Walk to Blackfriars

This year is the 800th anniversary year of the foundation of the first Dominican house in London so on **Saturday 15th July** the Dominican friars will be making a special pilgrimage walk to their roots. It will begin with 10am Mass in St Dominic's Priory Church, Haverstock Hill, followed by a walk to Blackfriars. There will be a lunch and drink break in a Blackfriars pub, followed by prayer around the vicinity of Apothecaries' Hall, the site of the second Dominican priory in London. The pilgrimage will then go to St Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield, for a tour at 3pm, with a short talk by the Provincial Archivist, Fr Richard Finn OP, followed by sung Vespers at 4pm in St Bartholomew the Great, the third Dominican priory in London. *All very welcome to join this pilgrimage*

Procession in honour of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

This annual procession (first held in 1883) will be on **Sunday 16th July at 3:30pm.** It starts from St Peter's Italian Church, 136 Clerkenwell Road, London EC1R 5DL. It will include a walking group of children who have recently made their First Holy Communion, dressed in their outfits. Please meet inside the Italian Church by 3pm latest, if you wish to join them.





The procession is followed by an Italian street fete with music and stalls selling Italian produce.

Summer Holiday Club

South Oxhey Baptist Church are inviting children aged 6-11 years to book now for their holiday club. It runs from **Monday 24th-Friday 28th July**. The theme is Pyramid Rock. There will be games, songs, bible stories and more! Spaces are limited so call *Linda Gillen on 020 8421 1542* to secure your place. See the poster at the back of church.

Pilgrimage of Reparation

There will be a Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life to **Walsingham** on **Saturday 5th August** led by Archbishop Kevin McDonald. It will take as its theme 'Accepting the Gift'. The poster at the back of Church has some details of coaches leaving from various points in the diocese which may be of interest and help to parishioners. While many may not be able to attend the day physically, there will also be the opportunity to follow online and join in this day of prayer for life at www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/



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Offertory for Sunday 11th June 2023

Monthly standing orders for May 2023

Envelopes £ 242.72

£1,994

Loose £ 340.54 **Total** £ **583.26**

Many thanks

Please remember all our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially Bebe Ryan, Dawn, Phil Carey, Alice Sheppard and Christine Kempster. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Marty Spires who died recently.