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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 9th July 2023

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8th July	Vigil: 14th Sunday	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 9th July	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am	Maurice Rodrigo & John Crowle RIP
		10.30am	Helen Birch RIP
Tuesday 11th July	St Benedict	7.00pm	Grace Ann McShane RIP
Wednesday 12th July	feria		No 9.15am Mass
		11.00am	Funeral of Marty Spires RIP
Thursday 13th July	feria	9.15am	Peter Hanley RIP
Friday 14th July	feria	9.15am	Tim Foley
			followed by Holy Hour
Saturday 15th July	Vigil: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.00pm	Ellie Bate RIP

CONFESSIONS Saturday 5.30pm or see Fr John

When booking a Mass Intention please leave plenty of time if you want a special date.

Liturgy of the Word: 9th July 2023

Entrance Antiphon: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Responsorial Psalm: I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.
Alleluia!

Next week's Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm 64 Romans 8: 18-23 Matthew 13:1-9

In our Gospel today, Jesus tells us that he is the perfect revelation of God because he has been with the Father before all creation and time existed. He and the Father are united in an inseparable bond of love and unity. That is why Jesus alone can truly reveal the fullness of God's plan and purpose for our lives.

One of the greatest truths of God's revelation and our Christian faith is that we can know the one true and living God. Our knowledge of God is not simply limited to knowing some things *about* God and his true nature: we can know God our Father and Creator *personally* because he desires to be closely united with each one of us in a bond of love through his son, Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus makes it possible for each one of us to have a personal direct relationship with God as our loving and gracious Father.

To see the Lord Jesus is to recognize and know the true nature of God and his personal love for us. In Jesus we see the perfect love of God: a God who cares intensely and who yearns over every man and woman whom he has created in his image and likeness. Jesus is the perfect revelation of God - a God who loves us totally, unconditionally, and without reservation.

Jesus makes an incredible promise to those who acknowledge him as their Lord and Saviour. If we pray in his name - the name Jesus means God saves - then the Father in heaven will hear us as if his only begotten Son was speaking to him directly. That is why we have the confidence and boldness to pray as Jesus taught his disciples, Our Father who art in heaven...

"For a Christian, praying is simply saying 'Abba'; it is saying 'Dad', saying 'Papa', saying 'Father' but with a child's trust."

(Pope Francis)

Peter's Pence collection

We had a great response to the Peter's Pence collection last weekend when **£240.70** was raised. Thank you to all who were able to contribute.

Stella Maris –Retiring collection this weekend 8/9th July

Sea Sunday is Sunday 9th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously.



Parish Administrator vacancies

Westminster currently has 2 Parish Administrator vacancies advertised on their website for the nearby parishes of Bushey and Eastcote –closing dates Noon on 17 July & 31 July respectively. Check out <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/> for further details

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/>

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.



Join The Passage at their ***Secret Garden Party*** on Thursday 20th July at 6pm

THE PASSAGE to ending homelessness Taking place in the beautiful surroundings of the historic College Garden at Westminster Abbey, this event is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy a wonderful summer evening whilst supporting the work of The Passage. College Gardens is one of London's best kept secrets, a 900-year-old garden, thought to be the oldest in England. You will enjoy views of Westminster Abbey and Victoria Tower, as part of the Palace of Westminster. During the evening you will get to enjoy delicious food, unlimited beer, wine, Pimms and soft drinks, entertainment, a raffle, silent auction and much more. All proceeds from this event will go directly to The Passage, helping to provide essential support for those who have experienced homelessness, and preventative action to support those at risk of becoming homeless. Tickets <https://passage.org.uk/get-involved/events/secret-garden-party/> or call 020 7592 1856

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/

Offertory for Sunday 2nd July 2023

Loose	£ 327.11
Envelopes	£ 182.48
Total	£ 509.59

Many thanks

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