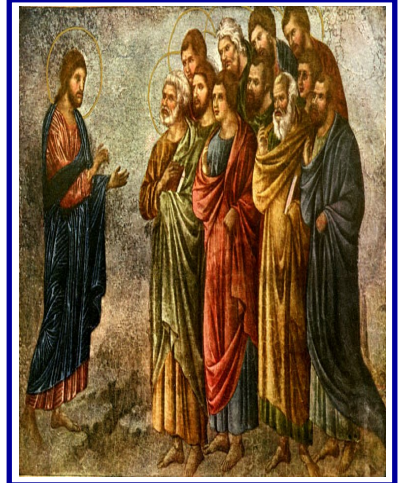


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**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th July 2024 Year B**

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat 13th July	Vigil: 15th Sunday	6pm	STJ	Fr John Warnaby RIP
Sun 14th July	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9am	STM	People of the Parishes
		11am	STJ	Lucille Tristram RIP
		6pm	STM	Daphne Hucklesby RIP
Mon 15th July	St Bonaventure	10am	STM	Martha Felleppa RIP
Tues 16th July	Feria	10am	STJ	Tomas Cottenie-Intentions
		1pm	STJ	Funeral Mass Rita Irvine RIP
Wed 17th July	Feria			FR TOM's DAY OFF
Thur 18th July	Feria	6pm-6.45pm	STJ	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
		7pm	STJ	Sheila Butler –Birthday
Fri 19th July	Feria	10am	STM	Miguel Pignone RIP
Sat 20th July	Feria	10.30am	STM	Tony Marano RIP
		6pm	STJ	Jimmie & Charlie Moore RIP
Sun 21st July	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9am	STM	Armando Barros RIP-Anniv
		11am	STJ	People of the Parishes
		6pm	STM	To be advised

**CONFESSIONS Saturday 5pm-5.45pm** (with *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*)

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

**Liturgy of the Word: 14th July 2024**

**Entrance Antiphon:** As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
 I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help .

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:  
 you have the message of eternal life.  
 Alleluia!

**Next week's Readings:** Jeremiah 23:1-6      Psalm 22      Ephesians 2:13-18      Mark 6:30-34

**Meditation** from Vienna International Religious Centre

Through the sending out of his disciples, Jesus, who remains behind, sees his message spread. They who share in his company and his destiny are committed to the prophetic proclamation of the kingdom. As he spoke in former times through the prophets, God still speaks through human words. Certainly, these Galilean fishermen had no more preparation than Amos, the simple herdsman, for such a mission. But what matters is not the brilliance of their intellect, the seductive power of their words, the nobility of their origins. Ridding themselves of useless baggage and resources, they must let Christ speak through their mouths, act through their hands. Of course, because the kingdom of God does not meet superficial human expectations, the success of the mission is not guaranteed. The "crowds" welcome may be lukewarm or ephemeral, if not hostile. That should not stop them. Seized by God, chosen by his Son, the disciples must go ahead and proclaim the imminence of the kingdom.

Thus, far from being the time when the prophetic word has ceased to make itself heard, the time of the Church is the eleventh hour when, with the greatest urgency, the gospel must be preached and spread. Faithful to the Spirit, we, by our stammered words and hesitant actions, must awaken our times to the mystery of Jesus and of his kingdom.

### Sea Sunday Retiring Collection this weekend

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions.

**Today is Sea Sunday.** 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 [www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate](http://www.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.

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Each week there will be two opportunities for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St Joseph's Church:

Thursday evenings 6pm-6.45pm, followed by Mass at 7pm.

Saturday evenings 5pm-5.45pm, followed by Mass at 6pm.



### Rita Irvine RIP

Rita's funeral will take place next **Tuesday 16th July at 1pm**. May her soul rest in peace.

### Fr Cedric Stanley MBE –Funeral

Funeral arrangements for Fr Stan as he was widely known: Fr Stan's mortal remains will be received at the church of **St Paul, Harefield on Monday 22 July at 11.30am**. His Funeral Mass will follow immediately, with Bishop Paul McAleenan presiding.

### First Holy Communion 2025



If your child is in Year 3 or above in the next school year (2024/25) and you wish them to make their First Communion in 2025 then please see Fr Tom after one of the Masses to collect an application form.

The deadline for applications is **Wednesday 31st July**.

### Confirmation 2025

If you are in Year 9 or above in the next school year (2024/25) and wish to make your Confirmation in 2025 then please see Fr Tom after one of the Masses. Fr Tom will only issue the application form to the Confirmation candidate.

The deadline for applications is **Wednesday 31st July**.



### 100 Club

Thank you to all who support this initiative to raise vital funds for the parish.

Our 6th draw will be on **Sunday 28th July after 11am Mass**.

### Divine Mercy retreat

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat on **Saturday 20 July 2024 from 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm**

St Sebastian and St Pancras R.C. Church, 22 Hay Lane, Kingsbury NW9 0NG

The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome.

### Financials

Offertory on Sunday 7th July: Loose £194.76 Envelopes £184.65 Total £379.41

*Many thanks*

**Please remember all our sick parishioners in your prayers** especially Bebe Ryan, Dawn Tannian, Phil Carey, Alice Sheppard, Dave Jessop and Michael O'Brien.

**Pray for the recently deceased** especially Fr Cedric Stanley, Rita Irvine