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Seventh Sunday of Easter ~ 1 June 2019

We Welcome...

*People of All Faiths and Cultures
Divorced or Separated Persons
Families with Children
Those in Loving Relationships
Those in Difficulty
Married Couples
Single Persons
Those in Recovery
Travellers from Far and Near
Widows and Widowers
Visitors*

We Seek...

*To live the Gospel of Jesus Christ
To Gather the Community and Tell the Story
To Sing and Make Music to the Lord
To Break the Bread and Share the Cup*

We Celebrate...

*Diversity
A spirit of hospitality
The unity that God wills
Enlightening those who seek God
Reaching out to alienated Catholics
Reverencing the dignity of each person
Caring for the needs of the less fortunate
Empowering Christians to realise their call
Providing a spiritual oasis
Honouring an understanding among all faiths
Nurturing our gifts and sharing them*

PARISH DIARY – REGULAR EVENTS

Lectio Divina – Tuesdays during term time

(Email kjaubert@btinternet.com for details)

Mother's Prayers – Wednesdays in the STM Room 10am

SVP Meetings – 2nd Thursday of the month 7pm

SVP Outreach – 4th Thursday of the month 8pm

Good Friends Café - 2nd Saturday of the month 10.30am

The Parish Office is open Mon, Weds & Fri. 9.30am - 1.30pm



One of the most arresting phrases that we hear in Mathew's gospel is "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." – Mat. 6:21 We all know what is important to us in life, what our treasure is, but when I share what is important to me I suddenly feel more alive. Generosity is in our spiritual DNA. Jesus tells us that it's better to give than to receive, because in giving we share something of ourselves. Yet we are also beneficiaries of God's goodness.

Ultimately we believe that everything comes from God. He is the owner, we are the Stewards. Our time, talents and treasure have been entrusted to us to use in a unique way to serve and grow closer to God. Good stewardship means receiving God's gifts gratefully, tending to them in a responsible and accountable manner, sharing them in love for others, and returning a meaningful portion to the Lord.

The great news is that as a parish we are already well on our way to a culture of joyful giving. The work and ministry of this parish is thriving thanks to the generosity of heart and dedication of our parishioners. As a parish, it is important that we regularly evaluate and take care of our income. The Finance Committee and I steward our parish income and expenditure and an important part of this is reviewing our main source of income: the ordinary offertory collections.

Because we do not receive funding from the state, the Vatican or the diocese, we are reliant on our offertory collections to cover the running costs of the parish, and to plan confidently for the future.

In order to give us the security that we need to sustain and grow our work in this lovely parish I have, this week, initiated a planned giving drive. This is an invitation to all parishioners to reflect and renew their commitment of their time, talents and treasure to the parish. Over the coming two weeks I encourage all parishioners to prayerfully consider the following questions:

How is God calling me to use the blessings and gifts He has entrusted to me? Am I using my gifts of time, talent and my financial blessings responsibly, and how can I use them to support my parish? Does my current contribution reflect the importance of the parish in my life?

As you entered Mass today you will have been handed a newsletter titled 'Our Call to Stewardship' – please read this carefully. Next week, we shall hear from a member of our finance committee who will speak in more detail about our parish finances in the context of our parish vision and if you wish to be involved, to tell you how best to do this. Finally, in two weeks' time, we will ask everyone to renew their financial and volunteering commitment to our parish. This pledge will not bind us or our parish to plan ahead for the future in confidence.

Fr Shaun

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Pg 281 Acts 7:55-60 Apoc.22:12-14,16-17, John 17:20-26.

Sat 1 June	18.30 Corey - Birthday
Sun 2 June	10.00 Frankie & Jude Morgan 11.30 Diogo Ribeiro RIP 18.30 Sheila Marie Domingo RIP
Mon 3 June	10.30 People of the Parish
Easter feria	<i>At the Royal Hospital-</i>
Tues 4 June	12.00 Sheena Canham RIP Anniv.
Wed 5 June	Church open for private prayer
Easter feria	
Thur 6 June	12.00 Arrigo/Castagna Families
Easter Feria	
Fri 7 June	12.00 Private Intention

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Fri. 11 – 11.45am

*Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 17.45 to 18.15
(Reconciliation at other times by arrangement)*

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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Sat 8 June	18.30 Michael Hawksley RIP
Sun 9 June	10.00 Amanda & John Moriarty's Int 11.30 People of the Parish 18.30 Matt & Frankie Hicks

We pray for the sick of our Parish, those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Grenfell Tower Fire – Second Anniversary Vigil Mass: St. Francis of Assisi Church, Pottery Lane W11 4NQ Thursday 13 June at 7.30pm Mass will be said for the repose of the souls of those who died and for the healing of those who survived. All are welcome to come and pray..

Sing a New Song to the Lord. We are really blessed in having a number of people who lead the singing at our 10am and 6.30pm Masses on Sunday. However, numbers of singers are a bit depleted and an invitation has been extended for you to think about joining one of the choirs, please just approach any of the choir members to find out more. Aware of how busy people are these choirs meet just before Mass in order to run through the liturgy.

Caritas Volunteer Fair – Saturday 8th June -The Caritas Volunteer Service will be holding its annual Volunteers' Fair showcasing volunteering opportunities from across the Diocese. Those attending will have the chance to chat with different charities and find out more about their work and the roles available and hear talks and testimonials from different organisations. The event will be on Saturday 8th June, from 1:00-3:00pm, at St Aloysius' Parish Hall, Phoenix Road, Euston, NW1 1TA. To get your free ticket, email caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk, call 020 7931 6077, or search the event title on Eventbrite

Sunday 2nd June The Choir of St Mary's is singing at the 11.30am Solemn Mass at St. Georges's Cathedral hence, there will be no singing at the 11.30 am Mass in the parish that day.

Retreat Day for Parish Lay Ministers of Holy Communion and of the Word with Sr Karen Marguerite OP & Sr. Anne Walsh OP. - Saturday 8 June 2019 Niland Conference Centr, Rosary Priory, 93 Elstree Rd. Bushey Heath WD23 4EE and Saturday 15 June 2019 Vaughan House 46 Francis St. London SW1P 1QN 10.00am-3.00pm (refreshments from 9.30am) Suggested donation £15 per person. Please bring a packed lunch Coffee/Teas are available. Register with livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or leave a voicemail 020 7931 6078 indicating venue.

Parish Mass Books After the Sunday evening Mass on Pentecost Sunday, we will need to swap the Parish Mass books over. If a few volunteers could help Cosimo with this we would be extremely grateful. Thank you.

St. Mary's Senior Parishioners & Residents of St. Joseph's Almshouses Annual Summer Lunch hosted by the SVP will take place on Saturday 15th June. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the church. RSVP by 26th May notifying us of any special assistance or dietary requirements. Please notify the Parish Office if you find subsequently you cannot attend so that your name can be removed.

Good Friends Café meets again in St. Thomas More Room on Saturday 8 June at 10.30am to 12.30pm. All welcome so please come along.

Parish Pizza and Prosecco Party After the success of last year's event we are delighted to announce that we will once again host a Pizza and Prosecco Party on Sunday 16th June beginning after the 10am Mass. We provide the pizza, cooked in a traditional wood burning oven and we ask that you bring along the prosecco. Please use the sign up sheets at the back of the church so we can get an idea of numbers for catering purposes.

The Children's Liturgy will resume June 9th as below:

09/06/2019
16/06/2019
23/06/2019
30/06/2019
07/07/2019

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