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14th Sunday of the Year ~ 7th July 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...

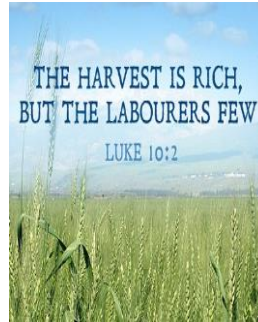
*To live the Gospel of Jesus Christ
To Gather the Community and Tell the Story
To Sing and Make Music to the Lord
To Break the Bread and Share the Cup*

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 open Mon, Weds & Fri. 9.30am - 1.30pm*



In today's gospel Jesus tells the disciples their first greeting on mission must be 'Peace be to this house'. So what is this peace which the disciples bring? It sounds so impractical and ineffective in a world which is ruled by the mighty empires of the world. How can it compete with the peace brought by Caesar, the pax Romana?

This peace was achieved by the brutal use of ruthless military power. Caesar Augustus boasted that he had subjected the whole world to the imperium of the Roman people. Jesus knew, as Isaiah had before him, that his harvest of peace could only be reaped when they had hammered 'their swords into ploughshares and their spears into sickles'.

Jesus brought peace by other means. And this is what Paul boasts of in the second reading. The peace which Jesus brought came through the cross. For it was through the cross that he subverted the idolatrous claims of empire by submitting willingly to the full force of Rome's brutality.

In his life of humble service and in his refusal to use violence Jesus had offered an alternative vision of peace. God recognised the truth of it when he raised him from the dead at the Resurrection. This was the victory which brought peace, the peace which is at the heart of God's kingdom.

The mission of the Church is to proclaim the truth of the gospel. In doing this we work for a new harvest, a harvest fed on the reality of Jesus, risen from the dead. Through him we discover a capacity to share that 'peace which the world cannot give', which empowers us to go beyond what we thought ourselves capable of being and doing. And so we begin to understand the power of the greeting, "Peace be to this house".

Fr Shaun

Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

Pg 105; Isaiah 66: 10-14; Gal. 6; 14-18; Luke 10; 1-12, 17-20.

Sat 6 July	18.30 Gabriel Gonzalez & Pedro Perez RIP (Anniv)
Sun 7 July	10.00 Birthday Ana Caldas Manuel Caldas RIP
	11.30 Holy Father's Intention
	18.30 People of the Parish
Mon 8 July	10.30 For the Hospital At the Royal Hospital
Tues 9 July	12.00 William Merritt RIP
Wed 10 July	Church open for private prayer
Thur 11 July	12noon Prunella (very ill) St. Benedict, Abbot Patron of Europe
Fri 12 July*	12noon Carole Guest RIP (Anniv)

Exposition 11 am – no exposition on 19th July.

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

Fifteenth Week of the Year

Pg 108; Deut.30: 10-14; Col. 1: 15-20; John 10:27.

Sat 13 July	18.30 Jeanette Raad RIP (Anniv)
Sun 14 July	10.00 Josephine Pilcher RIP Private Intention
	11.30 Alfeo Jonnides RIP (Anniv)
	18.30 People of the Parish

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

Sea Sunday 14th July is Sea Sunday. There will be a second collection on this day. The Apostleship of the Sea provides spiritual and welfare support for seafarers visiting Great Britain. Please give generously.

Planned Giving. If you have been away over the last few Sundays and missed the commitment section of the campaign then please help yourself to a "Week 3" leaflet - there are plenty of them at the back of the church - complete it and return it to the Parish Office. Thank you.

New Website Conscious that time moves on and that parish life develops so quickly we have designed a new website. Your comments and suggestions would be welcome, please see.

www.stmaryscadoganstreet.co.uk

Good Friends Café meets again in the St. Thomas More room on Saturday 13th July at 10.30am to 12.30pm. All are welcome so please come along.

The Children's Liturgy will meet this Sunday and this will be the last session until September. We thank all of those who have given their time and shared their faith with our children over this past year. We hope that you enjoy the summer break and we look forward

to seeing you in September when children's liturgy will resume.

St. Joseph's Primary School Summer Fair 2019

Thank you to all who made the Summer Fair so successful for our school that does such wonderful work educating our children.

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.

First Holy Communion 2020 If your child will be in year 3 of school in September and you wish them to make their First Holy Communion at St Mary's next year please collect an application form from Fr Shaun in the Sacristy after Mass on Sunday. The application forms need to be completed and returned to the parish office by Friday 26 July 2019.

Summer Schedule From July 21st the Parish Adopts a Summer schedule. There will be one Sunday Morning Mass at 10.30 am. The times of the two evening Masses remain unchanged. All the Masses will be said and there will be shorter homilies. Sign-up sheets for ministries are available at the back of the church. So, if you are around, please do sign up and help out where you can. The normal timetable will resume on Sunday 8th September.

11th July is the Feast of St Benedict Patron of Europe. Please say a special prayer that day that our country may find a way forward from the present difficulties in which it finds itself and that we may continue to value and cherish one another.

The Parish Garden Thank you to all those who look after the Parish Garden. It is at this time of year that the garden gets the most use. But it is a never ending task to take care of the garden so we thank all those who have given their time and energy this year and we would encourage anyone who would like to get involved to step forward as the number of garden volunteers has become rather depleted.

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