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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



Saturday	2nd	5.00 pm		John Quinn RIP Tony Watson RIP BD
Sunday	3rd	9.00 am 11.00am		Damian & Stephen RIP People of The Parish
Monday	4th	9.30 am	Feria	
Tuesday	5th	9.30 am	Feria	Holy Souls
Wednesday	6th	9.30 am	Feria	
Friday	8th	9:00 am	Rosary Prayers & Mass (The Nativity of the Blessed V. Mary)	
23rd Sunday Ord Time Year A				
Saturday	9th	5.00 pm		
Sunday	10th	9 & 11.00 am		
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-pm or telephone the presbytery for an appointment				

We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Rose Brunton, Patricia Reilly, Mariasha McDonagh, Barbara Bassett, Barbara Alexander and for those who have no one to care for them. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Benedict Clifford De Silver, Alexander Nicolaides and Thomas Kilcommons and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9 Jeremiah complains to God at having to preach such an unwelcome message **Second Reading:** Romans 12:1-2 Do not follow the social conventions of this world, but try to discern what is the will of God **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 16:21-27 The disciple of Jesus must also follow the way of suffering and self-renunciation

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- The Cost of Discipleship

If invited to pick and choose within the Gospels, and form our religion only with what appeals to us, what a cosy, comfortable church we would have! We might keep the stories about Christ's birth and infancy, his temptation in the desert and his healing miracles. We would include our favourite parables, like the Prodigal son, the Pharisee, and the Publican, and of course, the Good Samaritan. But would we leave out the Gospel for today, that hard teaching about renouncing self, taking up the cross, losing our lives for the sake of Jesus? And even if we have not removed those words from our Gospels, do we remain deaf to them in practice, in our lives?

APPEAL FOR FUNDS BY THE HOLY FAMILY SISTERS OF THE NEEDY

A religious institute founded in 1983 in Nigeria to dispense God's love among the needy and the marginalised in the society. Today, it has several institutes and projects in many parts of the world. Your prayers and support will be needed to support the many projects being undertaken by the religious Sisters. Let us welcome them next weekend. Thank you for your kind support.

FR. CLEMENT AWAY; I will be away in Ghana, three Sundays in September (after this week). Fr. Tom Forde will supply the period I am away. Kindly give him your support. Thank you

JOIN AN ART CLUB AT DELTA HOTEL

There is an opportunity to join an art club at the Delta Hotel, Cheshunt. Get details from: musarat1@communityactiondacorum.org.uk.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE VACANCY

If you are interested in applying for this position, please follow. https://www.teachinherts.com/find-a-job/view/school-office-manager-and-headteacher-pa_86622.htm to access further details and a school application form. Visits and an informal chat with the Headteacher, Mrs Napier are warmly welcomed. Please email headspa@staugustines.herts.sch.uk and/or admin@staugustines.herts.sch.uk to arrange a visit.

RUN THE ROYAL PARK HALF MARATHON IN AID OF THE PASSAGE, 8TH OCTOBER, 2023.

This stunning autumnal route showcases the iconic sites of London through four Royal Parks – Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, St James's Park and Green Park. Run past some of the capital's most historic landmarks, including Buckingham Palace, Horse Guards Parade and the Royal Albert Hall. Although undulating in parts, the course is not hilly and is great for both experienced and first-time half marathon runners. Registration fee: £20, Fundraising goal: £300, All money raised will go towards supporting those currently experiencing or threatened by street homelessness so that we can end homelessness for good. Sign up here: <https://passage.org.uk/get-involved/events/royal-parks-half-marathon/>

DIOCESAN JOBS

Are you looking for job opportunities? Westminster Diocese has some opportunities for you. For a list of current vacancies and further details, please visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

RETRouvaille: A PROGRAMME FOR COUPLES STRUGGLING IN THEIR MARRIAGES

Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme - a Face-to-Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 13-15 October 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

The annual pilgrimage will be held on Saturday 23rd September and will be led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Outline programme for the day: 10.00am Arrivals begin, 11.30am Welcoming of parish and other pilgrim groups and banners, 12.00pm Pilgrim Mass, 1.30pm Picnic lunch, 2.15pm Gather for the procession along the Holy Mile, 3.45pm Prayers and Benediction in the Priory, the site of the original Shrine 4.30pm Departures. More details to follow.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Join us on our pilgrimage/retreat to the Holy Land, led this year by Bishop John Sherrington and Fr John Farrell OP. Dates: Sunday 19th November to Monday 27th November. Route: Galilee – Jerusalem – Bethlehem. Flying from Heathrow on BA. Cost is for full board £2265 per person sharing a room, £682 single room supplement. Travel insurance essential. You can book online at <http://www.tangney-tours.com/WHL> or call Gill at Tangney Tours 01732 886666 or Elizabeth at the Pilgrimage Office 0207 798 9173

APPRECIATION

Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times, especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving to the Parish.

The Repository will be open after 11.00 am mass this Sunday.

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