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**5/6 AUGUST 2023**

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A  
(THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD)**



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>			Genevieve Atta Ortsin BD
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>			Madge and Hugh Coll (int)
		<b>11.00am</b>			Eileen Mooney (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>7th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	St. Sixtus II, Pope		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	St. Dominic		Holy Souls
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	St. Teresa Benedicta		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11th</b>		Benediction & Mass (St. Clare, Virgin)		Rose Brunton BD
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ord Time Year A</b>					
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>12th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13th</b>	<b>9 &amp; 11.00 am</b>			
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-pm or telephone the presbytery for an appointment</b>					

**We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Patricia Reilly, Mariesha 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 and Alexander Nicolaides and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

### SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 His robe was white as snow

**Second Reading:** 2 Peter 1:16-19 We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 17:1-9 His face shone like the sun

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- The Transfiguration on the Mountain

There was the everyday Jesus who was well known to his friends; and then there was the moment when they scarcely recognised him, so transformed – transfigured – was he. Divinity shone through him, revealing depths that they had never imagined. Can this happen only to Jesus? When the little girl was asked what a saint was, she replied (thinking of the stained-glass windows in the church), "A person who lets the light through." It is a beautiful image – but is it only that? Can it also be a reality? Could you and I let the light through? We are probably far too aware of our wretchedness to think thoughts like that. But it is just these "wretched bodies of ours" that are the material of transfiguration, according to St Paul (Phil 3:21). The transfiguration is also a glance to the future: it is like a moment's preview of the Resurrection. The beginning and the end of the story are brought together in one luminous moment.

### STELLA MARIS-Appreciation

You can donate 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. **We raised £285.55. Thank you.**

### CELEBRATE SUMMER family activity pack

Download the brand new CELEBRATE online family activity pack for summer! Packed full of activities to do, pray, read and watch, this online resource will give you ideas on how to connect with God, your family and others. Why not try the CELEBRATE Summer Psalm walk in this pack at your local park or on holiday? Use this link to download the CELEBRATE SUMMER pack for free today - <https://www.celebratetrust.org/onlinefamilyactivitypacks>

### **RUN THE ROYAL PARK HALF MARATHON IN AID OF THE PASSAGE, 8<sup>TH</sup> 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/>

### **MUSICIANS AT THE 11.00 AM MASS**

We are still looking for musicians and singers to join the choir at the 11.00 am Mass. This is run by Robert Mukiibi who is also looking for someone to lead the choir in the weeks when he is not available due to work etc. If you can help, please see Robert at Mass, or contact him on 07961434834.

### **SHOES URGENTLY NEEDED**

One of our parishioners, Bernie Mendola, is helping to support Ukrainian refugees. She says there is a shortage of shoes for adults and children. There is also a need for toys for the children. If you can help, please contact Bernie on 07794649989. God bless you.

### **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](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://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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