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Last week's collection £1631. Many Thanks.
Annual Mission Appeal by the Holy Ghost Fathers at all Masses today.

Planned Giving boxes of envelopes. After Covid there was a huge drop off in the number of planned givers and there has not been a recovery in the numbers attending and supporting the parish. A sizeable number never picked up their boxes and some people have also moved away. The Planned Giving is the bread and butter of Parish and Church income. An increased involvement in terms of numbers and giving would be well appreciated. We continue to hope for an improvement.

Music and singing in the Liturgy. We are trying to include this kind of contribution in the 9am and 10.30 Sunday Masses. It would be of help if a few people with musical ability were to come forward. Also singers of course.
We are looking for Cleaners, Readers, Catechists & Eucharistic Ministers in the church .If you would like to volunteer please contact us in the parish office.

Holy Communion Enrolment forms for 2022/2023 are now available to collect, after Mass on Sundays at 10:30am. Your child must be going into year 3 or above to be able to make their Holy Communion. The deadline for handing forms back is 31st August 2022. The course will start in October, with the expectation to be complete by May 2023. If you are willing to help it is vital you hand your forms in as soon as possible to not delay DBS checks.

Bernadette Relic Tour 2022. Please consult the Notice Boards for times and places if you want to do your own pilgrimage. We were expecting to get tickets for the one all ticket event which is the Service of Anointing of the Sick in the Cathedral on Saturday 3rd September. Unfortunately the numbers they were able to accommodate were very low and the tickets were taken up very quickly. The result was that we got no tickets here in the parish which may be disappointing for the few people who wanted to attend this event. The number that the Cathedral can accommodate is 1054, made up of 50 wheelchair users plus 1004 sick and helpers. In the context of the whole diocese this was inadequate. It is perfectly possible of course to celebrate a Mass in the Parish with the Anointing of the Sick and this is just as efficacious.

We have been asked to provide accommodation for the Romanian chaplain, Fr Maricel-Irinel Mititelu, who will be taking up residence this coming week.

Prayers for the Dead. Pat Hughes(whose funeral will take place in Ireland), Mark Ambrose.
Mass Themes Today. Coming together as a Christian family we celebrate our Lord's humility and generosity and as we share in the Eucharist we seek his help to be true disciples. The first reading is a call to behave humbly and you will find favour with the Lord. The psalm says the poor and helpless rejoice in the Lord their help. The second reading speaks of a vision of the heavenly Jerusalem where the living God is to be found. In the gospel the works of love are to be preferred to demonstrations of power and signs of wealth and influence. Think and pray about humility today in the light of the Gospel and how it could play a bigger part in your life.
Feasts this week. Monday. The Passion of John the Baptist. Tuesday. Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs. Wednesday. St Aidan and Lindisfarne. Thursday. World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Friday. First Friday. Exposition and Adoration. Saturday. St Gregory the Great. Pope and Doctor.
Brent Irish Advisory Service. Active Ageing Club every Thursday afternoon from 12-3pm at Cricklewood Trades Hall Club,134 Cricklewood Lane, NW2 2DP. See Notice Board for more details or contact Carole 07754 111 020 or BIAS 0208 459 6655. They are also opening a second group on Tuesday afternoons 12-3pm starting on 27th September at St Mary's and St Andrew's in Dollis Hill Lane.