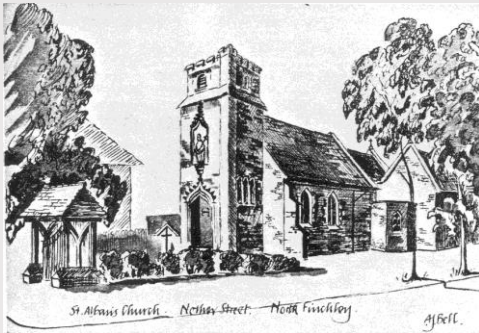


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Parish Newsletter – 24th July 2022
+ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS TIMES w/c - 23rd July 2022

Saturday: 6pm
Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday: 9.30am
Tuesday: 9.30am
Wednesday: 9.30am
Thursday: 9.30am
Friday: 9.30am

**Church will remain open during the day
for private prayer.**

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Parish website

Visit our website
parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth
for all weekly updates and

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Takes place at the Family Mass at 9.30
on Sundays.

REPOSITORY

Open after both Sunday Masses. New
products in the Repository information
can be found on our website.

First reading: Genesis 18:20–32
Psalm: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.
Second reading: Colossians 2:12–14
Gospel: Luke 11:1–13

Today's Gospel, we hear the familiar, beloved words of the Our Father, the model Jesus gave to the disciples at their request. These simple words show us what Jesus thinks is essential, humanly and spiritually: recognising God's holiness, desiring that the Kingdom come, food to sustain us, forgiveness received and given, and the request to be released from the ominous-sounding "final test" (Lk 11:4). Even more intriguing are the lessons following the prayer that illustrate the attitude with which disciples should pray and God's response to prayer. As in Genesis, the examples come from human interactions: the friend who responds because of persistence, the urgent instructions to "ask," "seek," and "knock" (Lk 11:9). Jesus invites us to pursue intimacy with our Father actively! But the final words realign our perspective. It is not that our persistent prayers persuade an indifferent God to become generous. Rather, our Father eagerly awaits our asking, seeking, and knocking so that he can give us the Holy Spirit, which mysteriously meets every human need.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2022-23

First Holy Communion Preparation for children in Year 3 and above is in 2 parts:

Part 1 is a Foundation Course for children who are Baptised Catholics and attend non-Catholic schools and for children who are not yet Baptised. This begins in September 2022. The application forms are on the parish website and in the church porch now.

Part 2 is a First Holy Communion Course for Baptised Catholic children attending Catholic schools and for children who have completed the Foundation Course. This will begin in November 2022. The forms will be available in October 2022.

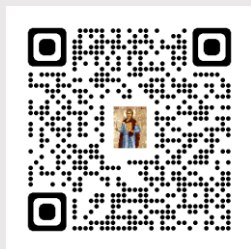
Confirmation Preparation for young people in Year 9 and above. This will begin in November 2022. The forms will be available in October 2022.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Could YOU invite someone you know to BECOME a CATHOLIC? Please think about whether you have any friends, neighbours, relatives or work colleagues you could ask to join our parish - or maybe just to find out more about the Scriptures and the Catholic Church's teachings? Invite them along to a group for adults which meets each Wednesday at 8pm in the Presbytery, starting on Wednesday 12th October. In the meantime, why not ask them to come to Mass with you and introduce them to Fr Dermot? Or else email the Parish Secretary so someone can phone them to answer their questions.

Parish QR code

For online donations



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS:

To arrange a baptism please contact Fr Dermot.

FUNERALS:

It is the normal procedure to first contact your chosen Funeral Director. They will liaise with Fr Dermot.

Weddings:

Preparation for marriage:
Six months' notice is required. Please contact Fr Dermot.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 5.15pm

REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH

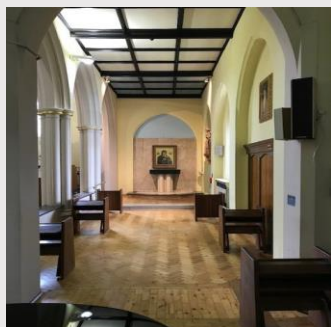
Registration forms are available from the porch. Complete and return to the Presbytery. Thank you.

ST BANABAS FOODBANK

Accepts donations of food each Saturday between 9.30 & 12.30. They are open for those in need on Monday's 12.30-2pm.
913 High Road, North Finchley.

NEWSLETTER

If you wish to receive a copy of our weekly newsletter by email, please sign up by using the website e-Alert or, email the parish office to request.



CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9.30 Family Mass will be taking its Summer Break after Sunday 17th July, starting again on Sunday 11th September. So, this is a good time to thank the 14 Catechists who have worked so hard to provide this for our youngest children, even keeping it going on the parish website during the Pandemic. Could YOU join one of our 5 teams, which means a commitment of only once a month? If so, let Fr Dermot know and/or come along to our meeting in the church hall at 8pm on Wednesday 7th September to find out more and get to know the Catechists?

ST MARYS EAST FINCHLEY TUESDAY 25TH JULY AT 3PM

I play the organ at St Mary's in East Finchley and we are running a very relaxed sing-through of some new hymns I have written focusing on Carlo Acutis. Any interested parishioners who might enjoy a sing through followed by some light refreshments next Tuesday at 3pm are very welcome. All free and those attending should just contact me by email to let me know

Helen Tierney

Email: tierneyhelen63@gmail.com

A flyer with further information can be found in the porch of the church

FINCHLEY FOOD BANK

Over 400 people per week are supported with 3 days' worth of food & toiletries by Finchley Foodbank, but food donations have dropped a lot recently. If you're able to add a little extra to your shopping and bring an extra can or two each week, there's a box (& full shopping list) at the back of the church. Many thanks.

PARENT & TODDLER

The playgroup is now finished for the summer holidays, on return the group will run on a Tuesday instead of a Monday. It will be back up and running from Tuesday 6th September **9:45am – 11:15am**. Further information can be found on our website.

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth/>

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING 23rd JULY

Saturday-Vigil mass	6pm	Willie Hanley	RIP
Sunday	9:30am	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
	11:30am	Fillipe & Maria Franco	RIP
Monday - (ST JAMES, Apostle)	9.30am	Patrick & Mary Curran	RIP
Tuesday - (Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary)	9.30am	Bridie Byrne	RIP
Wednesday	9.30am	Dave Stapley	RIP
Thursday	9.30am	Teresa Boyle	RIP
Friday- (Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus)	9.30am	Roger Reddy	INT

Please remember in your prayers

All the sick

David Conway, John Came, Terri McDermott, Mauria O'Connell,
Fr. John Buckley, Martin Murphy, Kathleen Coogan

All the recently departed and their loved ones

Teresa Boyle, Dave Stapley

and the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at about this time:

Fillipe & Maria Franco, Patrick & Mary Curran