

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

A Parish under the care of the Augustinians

Newsletter

The Most Holy Trinity
26th May 2024

Gospel Teaching

Matthew's Gospel today ends with the baptismal formula of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus names the three Persons of God. On Trinity Sunday, we celebrate our common divine origin – collective offspring of God with one shared life in the Holy Spirit. God has been present in the world from its beginning and the first reading tells us that God rules on Earth as in heaven. We celebrate this every time we say the "Our Father", particularly "thy will be done on Earth as it is in heaven."

The Trinity holds all things together and is a model of mutuality. The parts are all aspects of the same God – God as Creator and Maker of Creation, God before us and over us; God incarnate as Jesus Christ, fully human, fully divine, God beside us; and the mutual love and Wisdom that is Spirit breathed into our very lives and into all creation. In the Trinity there is no hierarchy: only mutual love and harmony.

We pray repeatedly during our Eucharistic celebration to be filled with the Holy Spirit so that we may become one in body and spirit. The Holy Spirit connects us all to each other, and to the natural world. The Celtic Christians' love and honour of the natural world, God's creation, was paramount. That's evident in the surviving stories about the earliest saints of the Celtic Christian world and their bonds with nature.

The religious communities of Iona have overcome fire and murder, battles and desecration over the centuries to once again support a vibrant faith community. The ecumenical Iona Community today focuses on global peace, social justice initiatives and environmental care. It invites pilgrims from around the world to pray and study with them at Iona Abbey, surrounded by Celtic crosses.

Our natural environment is one of the greatest examples we have of God's power. Creation is a precious and holy resource, for God's spirit is in all that lives. And yet the beauty and diversity of God is being diminished as millions suffer desperate poverty, creatures go extinct, Earth's climate is heating up because of human activity, and waters are polluted. We have a responsibility to ensure that the world is a place that can sustain all of God's people into the future and we must appreciate our interconnections with the rest of creation. Pope Francis called for this in his 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si*, where he urged human society "to hear the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor".

The holidays will be starting soon. Let us enjoy green spaces and urge children to appreciate the life in the grass, plants and hedges. Let us appreciate the fertility of soil and the wonder of birdsong in the dawn chorus, and see the Spirit of God at work in creation, especially in all new life. May we be sensitive to, and support, action campaigns to protect vulnerable communities and natural resources. The Church has Caritas agencies, peace organisations and environmental initiatives which can help us to do this.

Let us pray that we experience God's enduring presence in our lives; that we may experience enduring gratitude for who we are and for what the universe is.

(The Living Word, Redemptorist Publication)

See also: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2020-02/sunday-reflection-vatican-news2.html>

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40. Psalm 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22. Romans 8:14-17. Matthew 28:16-20.



AUGUSTINIANS

St. Augustine's is under the care of the Order of St. Augustine and part of the Archdiocese of Westminster Registered Charity No. 233699.

MASS TIMES

Sunday:

9 am, 10.30 am, 12.15 pm & 6.30 pm

Monday to Friday:

8 am & 12.15 pm

Saturday: 12.15 pm, 6 pm (Vigil)

Holy Days of Obligation:

8 am, 12.15 pm & 7 pm

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PARISH DIARY

Sunday 26th May *The Most Holy Trinity*

Masses: 9 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm 6:30 pm

Monday 27th May *Saint Augustine of Canterbury,*

Bank Holiday

12 noon - The Angelus

12.15 pm Mass

Tuesday 28th May *Feria*

8 am Mass

12 noon - The Angelus

12.15 pm Mass

Wednesday 29th May *Feria*

8 am Mass

12 noon - The Angelus

12.15 pm Mass

Thursday 30th May *Feria*

8 am Mass

12 noon - The Angelus

12.15 pm Mass

Friday 31st May *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8 am Mass

12 noon - The Angelus

12.15 pm Mass

Saturday 1st June *Saint Justin, Martyr*

12 noon - The Angelus

12.15 pm Mass

6 pm Mass

Sunday 2nd June *The Body and Blood of Christ*

Masses: 9 am, 10:30 am, 12.15 pm, 6:30 pm

Car Parking - The management agents have installed ANPR. Please note that for weekend Masses (Saturday evening and Sunday up until the 12.15 pm, the gate will be open around Mass times). **For any Masses or services during the week, ie, Weekday Masses, Funerals, Baptisms and Weddings,** you will have to book a space, which can be done online at <https://parkbee.com>

Piano Lessons - Our organist, Antonio who is a dedicated and passionate Piano Teacher for over ten years (currently working as a Piano Tutor at the Royal College of Music in London), is offering fun but professional piano lessons to both adults and children. It does not matter what age you are! Please contact him at antonio.morabito95@hotmail.it if you are interested.

Live Streaming Masses and Services - To view, either click on the link on the parish website or visit: www.churchservices.tv. Church Live Streaming is 24/7 in St Augustine's Church Hammersmith.

Catholic Chaplaincy to London's Universities - Are you a student at one of the universities or colleges in London, or in Hatfield? Our Catholic Chaplaincy is for you! It's based at Newman House, 111 Gower Street, WC1E 6AR. We have Sunday Masses for students and regular events during the week. And in many of the universities and colleges, we also have campus-based Catholic societies and activities. Visit: www.universitycatholic.net to find out more. You will be made very welcome at our Catholic community here, a 'home from home.'

7 to 9 Votive Day Candle Stands

(located near St. Anthony's/St. Patrick's Statues)

Please **only** use candles which can be purchased from the Repository or Parish Office

Price per Candle **£5** (available in Blue, Red & White)

PARISH LIFE

Announcement

Due to several incidents of vandalism experienced by the church, we regret to inform you that the interior door of the church will be closed after the rosary following the 12:15 pm Mass. However, the church porch will stay open for those who want to pray until 5 pm. On Saturdays, the doors will re-open at 5pm for the 6pm mass and on Sundays, it will re-open at 5:30 pm for the 6:30pm mass. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Church Shop - Opening Times

Monday to Friday - 11.45 am to 1.30 pm

(Except Thursday)

Saturday 11.45 am to 1.30 pm 5.30 pm to 7 pm

and every Sunday between 8.30 am - 2 pm

Change to Office Hours - The Parish Office opening hours will change from the 3rd of June onwards. The new opening times will be Monday - Tuesday 10 am to 3 pm, Thursday - Friday 10 am to 3 pm. The Office will now be closed on Wednesdays.

Website - To view the newsletter via our website; from the Homepage, click on News and Events, click on Newsletters from the drop-down menu, click on "Latest Newsletter".

OPENING TIMES, DEVOTIONS AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Church Opening Times for Individual Prayer

Weekdays: 7 am to 5 pm

Saturdays: 10 am until after the 6 pm Mass

Sundays: 8 am until after the 6.30 pm Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Saturday 10.30 am - 11.45 am.

Reconciliation - Saturday 10.30 am to 11.45 am and by appointment.

The Angelus - Every day at 12 noon.

Novena Mass to Sto. Niño - Every first Friday of the month at 7 pm.

Rosary - (Led by parishioners) recited daily after the 8 am Mass (Monday to Friday) & 12.15 pm Mass Mondays to Saturdays.

VOLUNTEERING/JOB VACANCIES

Can you Help? We still need of more volunteers to come forward for the various ministries in the Church

Would you like to join the Choir? - Please pick up a form from the Church Porch and return it to the parish office.

Church Cleaning - Please speak to Antonia if you can help on Mondays after the 8 am Mass.

Readers - If you would like to read at any of the Sunday Masses, please email Annabel, staugustinesreaders@yahoo.co.uk

Diocesan Job Vacancies - For current job vacancies, visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

LITURGY

Table of Moveable Feasts 2024

Corpus Christi:	2 June
Ss Peter and Paul:	30 June
Assumption of BVM:	15 August
All Saints:	1 November
Christ the King:	24 November
First Sunday of Advent:	1 December

Bold entries denote Holydays of Obligation in England and Wales.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Baptism Course - 22nd June 2024, Saturday, 10am, will be the next schedule for the course. Please email or call the parish to book a space.

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms - More information from the Parish Office.

Confirmation - Please contact the Parish Office for further information.

First Holy Communion 2024 - The First Holy Communion 2024 course is currently ongoing.

Home Visit for the Sick - Please contact the Parish Office.

Marriages - If you would like to get married, we need at least six months notice or longer if you wish to marry abroad. You also need to attend a Marriage Course. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

RCIA (Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults) - For Adults who wish to become Catholic, Adult Catholics who wish to be confirmed, any Catholic Adult who wishes to learn more about

their Catholic faith. Please pick up a form from the Church Porch. Return completed form to the Parish Office before August in order to take part in the course which will be starting in September.

SCHOOLS

School Vacancies. St Mary's Catholic School have vacancies in all years and welcome all faiths. All parents can contact the school office on 02076037717 or go on website www.stmarysrc.lbhf.sch.uk and look under admissions.

COMMUNITY MASS LIST

26th May 2024 to 1st June 2024

Recently Deceased:

Colman Ó Flatharta, Rian Sheridan, Mrs. Mary Bombina Bernard, Elizabeth McAllister, Mrs. Edna Rothwell, Nel Kavanagh,

Anniversaries:

Felix Reonal, Patricia Reonal, Wilfried and Kathleen Oliver, Huw Bryant

Deceased:

Noel Horgan

Intentions:

Orla Flaherty & Family, Doireann Sheridan & Family, Holy Souls, Collette & Henry, St. Thérésa and the Holy Souls, Ju-An Sagge, Breeda McSweeney

Get Well:

James Allen, Dennis McSweeney

Birthday:

Bridged Cooke, Taylor Cooke, Talma Noulton

STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

We thank those who have continued to support our Parish during these times.

If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code:



or use the following details:

Name: WRCDT - HAMMERSMITH
Account No: 11308262
Sort Code: 40-05-20
Bank: HSBC
Ref: Your name

If you are a UK Taxpayer, you can complete a Gift Aid form from the Parish Office. We can claim back 25p in every £1 you donate.

Gift Aid & Planned Giving - This scheme enables parishes to claim back the tax element of your gift from those who pay tax and donate

regularly to the Parish. This gives the parish an extra 25% on top of your donations at no cost to yourself.

Ways you can Give

Gift Aid Box - If you feel that you are able to make regular donations, and would like a gift aid box, please complete the Parish Gift Aid Form/ Standing Order Form (available from the Church Porch) and return it to the Parish Office.

By Standing Order - You may wish to set up a standing order for your donations, if so, please complete the standing order instruction on the Parish Gift Aid Form and return the completed form to the Parish Office.

One Off Donations - If you are visiting the parish and would like to make a one-off donation, please pick up the blue donation envelopes available from the Church porch, fill in and place in the offertory collection. Your donation can help our parish and make your gift go further.

Not donated in a while and would like to start giving again? If anyone has not donated for a while, we have ended your box. If you would like to start giving again by planned giving envelopes, please complete the Gift Aid form and return it to the Parish and you will be issued with a new number and box.

Mass Collection for last week: **£1,089.29 (loose plate)**

Contactless Payment Machines - If you wish for your donation to be gift-aided, please ensure that you fully complete the gift aid section. If you prefer, or if the machines are not working, for whatever reason, you can scan the QR code, which you will find above the machines, just enter your donation amount, input your card details in the normal way. Please don't forget to Gift Aid!

Foodbank - We are still collecting items for the Food Bank that can help families who are struggling. Please use the box in the porch for dried, tinned and packet foods (especially fish, vegetable/fruits) and toiletries. Thank you.