

The Announcer

St Augustine's Catholic Church

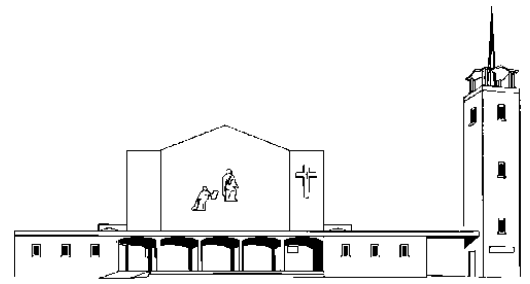
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Year A FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6th JULY 2014

GOSPEL: Matthew 11: 25–30

I am gentle and humble of heart.

My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,

THIS WEEKEND IS CHARACTERIZED BY OUR KEEPING '40 HOURS' ADORATION, a beautiful Catholic practice of prolonged Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in which we can come and adore Jesus in the Eucharist. Please come and spend some time, if you haven't already, in prayer during this time — the schedule is inside the Newsletter, and the list of those coming to watch and pray is on the blue board in the porch. Coming to spend time with Jesus in this way is a holy expression of our love for Him.



PART OF OUR '40 HOURS' DEVOTION is our **Eucharistic Procession**, which will take place after the 11.15am Mass this Sunday. Assuming the weather is fine, we will process to the garden Grotto where we will celebrate Benediction. The Procession is another beautiful way of showing our love for Jesus, as we 'follow Him' along the Processional way.

WE ALSO CELEBRATE THIS SUNDAY, AT THE 11.15 MASS, a 'thanksgiving' for this year's First Communicants. They will all be present at the 11.15am Mass, and after the Procession will enjoy a party in the church crypt. We congratulate them and their families on this happy occasion, and pray for them as they continue their Catholic lives in this special way of receiving Our Blessed Lord in Holy Communion.

OUR PARISH BARBECUE IS NEXT SUNDAY, 13TH JULY, AT 2PM. Please apply for your tickets NOW using the forms available in the porch — **closing date for applications is tomorrow (Monday) at midday.** In order for it to be a success, we still need MORE volunteers to assist with lots of little tasks — these are detailed on the blue board in the porch: PLEASE sign up! We cannot leave it just to one or two to organise it. Let's make it a great celebration of our parish year, together!

May the prayers of Saints Peter & Paul strengthen us to spread the word of Jesus! Fr Philip

From *Gaudium et Spes*, Vatican II on 'The Church in the Modern World,' n. 23:



One of the salient features of the modern world is the growing interdependence of men one on the other, a development promoted chiefly by modern technical advances. Nevertheless brotherly dialogue among men does not reach its perfection on the level of technical progress, but on the deeper level of interpersonal relationships. These demand a mutual respect for the full spiritual dignity of the person.

Christian revelation contributes greatly to the promotion of this communion between persons, and at the same time leads us to a deeper understanding of the laws of social life which the Creator has written into man's moral and spiritual nature.

PRAYER & LITURGY

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH Alice Czelna who will be baptised this weekend.

LATIN MASS: The monthly Latin Mass, with sung chants, will be at **5.00pm this Sunday 6th July.**

SUNDAY HOLY HOUR is held on the third Sunday of each month. It will next take place at 5pm **Sunday 17th August** (There will be no Holy Hour in July). Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction, with a Scriptural reflection.

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP: 3rd Friday evening of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **Friday 18th July.** A semi-formal quiet hour in the Lady Chapel once a month to reflect on the Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord. All welcome!

ITALIAN MASS: Please note that there will be NO Italian Mass now until **Sunday 21st September.**

THE 'FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION continues in the church till the end of **Sun 6th July, 9pm.** PLEASE, WE NEED PARISHIONERS to pray for the remaining hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: sign your name on lists on the blue board in the porch.

SATURDAY: 8am Adoration begins
10am Mass; Adoration resumes
6.30pm Mass; Adoration resumes
8.45pm Benediction

SUNDAY: 8am Adoration begins
9.15am & 11.15am Masses
12.30pm Corpus Christi Procession
1.30pm Adoration resumes
3.30pm Italian Mass/5pm Latin Mass
6pm Adoration resumes
8.45pm Closing Benediction

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

We pray for our sick parishioners and friends: Sue Porto, Christopher Browne, John Askew, Alan Dolan, Rosa Augello, Roberto Piacentini, Mark Reason, Hilda Andrews, Joanne Sheridan, Helen Sherman, Annette Pinto, Bohita Fanor, Jill Logsdail, Joe Barr, Jenny Miller, and Joseph Penheiro.

PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION.

IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL: Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an automatic visit from the Catholic Chaplain, as this information is now systematically withheld from Chaplains. If someone is sick in hospital, **please let us know here at the presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward,** so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.

The Chaplains are: QEll, Jacqueline Humphreys 01438-285518 or 07884-187463; Princess Alexandra, Fr Slawek Jedrych 01279-426017



Our parish's **Growing in Faith** season has run from January–Easter, giving us the chance, along with all Westminster Catholics, to support the needs of the local Church.

So far we have received committed pledges of **£173,000** (£42,000 for parish), but there are still parishioners who have indicated that they wish to give, but have not yet filled in pledge forms. I urge that they do so at the earliest opportunity in order for us to be sure of reaching our target, so we can move on to seeking an employee with confidence.

Our local parish project is a very important one: to employ a part-time parish catechist to add to the great work already going on at St Augustine's in First Holy Communion and Confirmation, RCIA etc. by wonderful volunteers. There are so many other opportunities for catechesis and work amongst the youth & young adults of our parish which we could begin through a new employee. **PLEASE PRAY that the right person can now be sought.**

www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith

CATECHETICS

CATHOLICISM DVDs: Fr Robert Barron's acclaimed series "CATHOLICISM," about the Catholic faith on Wednesdays in the crypt. Please arrive at 10am (coffee is available) to **begin watching at 10.25am. 9th July "Prayer and the Life of the Spirit."** Remaining episode: 16th July.

www.catholicismseries.com

FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held this **Sunday 6th July** at 11.15am Mass when all First Communicants from both weeks return in their First Communion outfits for the Mass, Corpus Christi Procession, and Party.

The photos are now available to view online at Amwell Studios at www.amwellstudios.co.uk. Click on online galleries and then St Augustine's First Holy Communion. The user name is *staugustine* and the password is either 220614 or 290614.

CONFIRMATION 2015. Fr Philip wishes to see each prospective candidate (in *next year's* year 9 or above) and a parent for a short chat (20–30 minutes) before the summer. **Applications will close for this programme on 14th July.** Please contact the presbytery for an appointment.

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on **Wednesday 10th and 24th September** from **7.30pm-9pm** in the presbytery. The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

YOUNG PEOPLE

ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL are holding their annual Family Fun Day on **Saturday 12th July** 11am to 3pm. There are Tombolas, face painting, bbq, and great raffle prizes which includes 1st prize £150 Amwell Studio Voucher. All welcome!

JUSTICE & PEACE & PRO-LIFE

COMBATTING EUTHANASIA: the Bill introduced to Parliament by Lord Falconer comes to the House of Lords again on Friday 18th July. Please make your voice heard against the newly re-introduced Bill to legalize euthanasia/assisted suicide. 1. By signing the online petition at: www.change.org/en-GB/petitions/david-cameron-follow-through-on-your-declared-support-for-the-idea-that-assisted-dying-should-not-be-legalised. 2. By writing to our MP, Mr Charles Walker at his Westminster e-mail address: charles.walker.mp@parliament.uk.

CAFOD: The amount collected in June was £317. Thank you to all who made a donation.

MISCELLANEOUS

PARISH BBQ: Sunday 13th July 2pm: The Parish BBQ is now only 1 week away and at the moment only 58 adults, 6 children and 4 infants are coming. We do need final numbers so that we can order the food on Monday. **If you would like to attend you MUST submit an attendance form this weekend. We cannot accept people after 12 noon on Monday.** Application forms are now available from the back of the church. **Even if you don't have the money with you this weekend, PLEASE do complete a form and hand it in.** If you have offered to help out and do intend to come to the BBQ, please do complete a form as well. Adults are £5, children £1 and under 5's free. The lists for volunteers are now available at the back of church and we do need as much help as possible please! **PLEASE volunteer to assist with the many jobs — setting out chairs/tables before, putting up gazebos, and lots more! Without help, we cannot make this event happen.**

Raffle prizes are also needed for the day, so you can donate something, please hand it in at the presbytery. Thank you for your support.

HOUSE VISITS: this week, Fr Philip will make Wednesday-afternoon visits to parish homes in Christian Close, Ellis Close, Ware Road and Rodney Crescent.

FR JOSEPH THAYIL MATHEW has been appointed

Assistant Priest to the Brook Green parish alongside continuing his ministry among the Syro-Malabar-rite community. He will move to his new residence at the beginning of September. We congratulate Fr Joseph and wish him well in his new post.

PARISH MAGAZINE: We hope to publish another edition of the magazine at the beginning of September. If you do have an article, please either email it or hand it in to the presbytery by **13th July**.

ISABEL HOSPICE SUNFLOWER APPEAL: Once again a huge thank you to all who helped with the collection at Tesco last weekend. We collected £1,002.55 which is a great amount! Ellen B.

APF MISSIONS: The amount collected for the second quarter of the year was £83.50. Thank you!

QUIZ NIGHT in aid of The Daniela Ruggiero Scholarship Fund will be held on **Friday 25th July** in the crypt. Please join us for a night of fun, £5 per head – payable on the night – bring your own refreshments & nibbles. Start time 7.30pm. Please call Vicky Lee-Lozone on 07747-485023 or 01279-862688 to reserve a table. If you are unable to make it but would like to make a donation either cash or a bottle for the winning team then please drop that in at the presbytery.

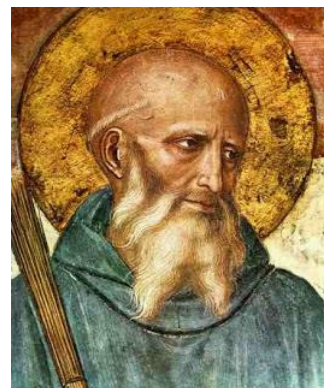
KYIV CLASSIC ACCORDION are giving a Concert of Classical and Ukrainian Music in St Pauls and St Catherine's Church on **Thursday 24th July** 7-30pm. This is a free concert but there will be a box for donations! This is in aid of UK-AID, Felsted Aid for Deprived Children in Ukraine affected by the Chernobyl disaster. Ring Margaret Byrne, 443351. for more info.

CHURCH CLEANING: Michele and Pele De Luca. Thank you!

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST BENEDICT
Patron of Europe
1st July

St Benedict of Nursia is the patron saint of Europe and students. Benedict founded 12 communities for monks in Italy, starting at Subiaco. He spent his life realising the ideal of monasticism which he had drawn out in his rule. He died at Monte Cassino, Italy, while standing in prayer to God. According to tradition, this occurred on March 21st 547. He was named patron protector of Europe by Pope Paul VI in 1964. In 1980 Pope John Paul II declared him a co-patron of Europe, together with Saints Cyril and Methodius.



Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
Sat 5th July 10am Mass <i>William Connell RIP</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">PAGE 99 in the Mass books</p> <p>1st Reading: Zechariah 9: 9–10 <i>See now, your king comes humbly to you.</i></p> <p>Psalms 144 — I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.</p> <p>2nd Reading: Romans 8: 9, 11–13 <i>If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.</i></p> <p>Gospel Accl: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!</i></p> <p>Gospel: Matthew 11: 25–30 <i>I am gentle and humble of heart.</i></p> <p>PREFACE TODAY: Sundays no. 6 (p. 67) EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: no. 2 (p. 24)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>1st Reading: Isaiah 55: 10–11 2nd Reading: Romans 8: 18–23 Gospel: Matthew 13: 1–23</p>
6.30pm* Luciano & Rosalia Dilena RIP + 'FORTY HOURS' CONTINUES TILL 9PM Sun 6th July 14TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** <i>Pam Newell RIP</i> 11.15am** <i>Nadia Miragliotta RIP 1st Anniv</i> 3.30pm Italian Mass † 5.00pm Latin Mass <i>For the Parish</i> + 'FORTY HOURS' CONTINUES TILL 9PM	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.30 – 9am & 10.40 – 11am or ask Fr Philip at any other time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY</p> <p>Rosary is said in the Walsingham Chapel after each weekday Mass and after Saturday 10am Mass.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</p> <p>Any parishioner frail through illness or old age, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Philip for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</p> <p>Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699</p>
Mon 7th July 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Philip & Andrew McDonald RIP</i> Tues 8th July 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Denis Lynch RIP</i> Wed 9th July 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Emuella Guddemi RIP</i> — followed by coffee in the crypt 1.00pm Funeral <i>John O'Driscoll RIP</i> Thurs 10th July 9.15am Mass <i>Phyllis Lawlor RIP</i> Fri 11th July ST BENEDICT, Abbot, Patron of Europe <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <i>Milly Yarwood RIP</i> Sat 12th July 10am Mass <i>Mary Stickland RIP</i>	
6.30pm* Mario & Giuseppina Vaccaro RIP Sun 13th July 15TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** <i>Mary & Barbara Connelly</i> 11.15am** <i>For the Parish</i> 3.30pm Italian Mass †	
<p>*Vigil Mass of Sunday ** With Children's Liturgy (nursery-age to year 2 only) † There are also Sunday evening Masses in English in Hertford (6pm) and Waltham Cross (6.30pm)</p>	

REGULAR EVENTS			
Tues 8th	1.30pm Guild tea and chat	Wed 9th	6.00pm Brownies, crypt

NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. — THANK YOU. NEW PARISHIONERS Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **MOVING HOME?** Please post your new details through the presbytery letterbox. **PARROCCHIANI:** *Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.*