

# The Announcer

## St Augustine's Catholic Church

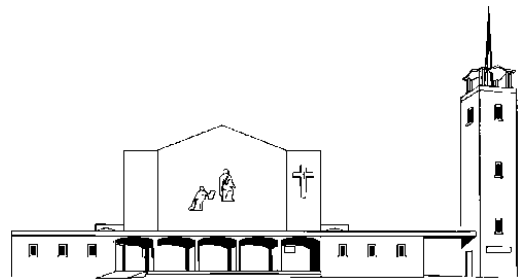
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Also in residence: Fr Joseph Thayil Mathew (chaplain to Syro-Malabar-rite Catholics)

**Year A**

**SAINTS PETER & PAUL**

**29<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014**

GOSPEL: Matthew 16: 13–19

*You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

**My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,**

**THIS FEASTDAY TODAY HONOURS SAINTS PETER & PAUL** together, since they were the greatest of the apostles in many regards, and each came to their martyr's death in the imperial capital of Rome. Peter died in 64AD, we believe, crucified in Nero's Circus (alongside the Vatican Hill) and Paul was beheaded, probably in 67AD, on the Via Ostiense. Between them, they evangelized large parts of the Near East and Mediterranean, and are rightly honoured in this way by their joint solemn feast. We ask for their prayers as we do our best to evangelize the world around us today, in circumstances that — like theirs — are not always easy.

**IT IS ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL FEASTDAY ON WHICH TO CELEBRATE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.** We congratulate the thirty four parish families whose children are receiving Our Lord Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time this Sunday. And I thank again the First-Communion catechists, and those involved in the arrangements for Mass (flower arrangers, folk group, servers, sacristan, and parish secretary) for all their time and effort. We look forward also to their Thanksgiving Mass next Sunday, 11.15am.

**PLEASE VISIT THE BLUE BOARDS IN THE CHURCH PORCH** to sign up for the following imminent events:

(i) **'Forty Hours' Adoration** NEXT WEEKEND, giving us a chance to spend as a parish a time of extended prayer to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. PLEASE sign up TODAY for some time of prayer in the church (half-hour slots) over next weekend (**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> to Sun 6<sup>th</sup> July**), so that Our Lord can be adored and praised with an outpouring of prayer. Let's all commit to some while of prayer.

(ii) **Parish barbecue, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2pm.** Please apply for your tickets NOW using the forms available in the porch. In order for it to be a success, we need 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 this: let's pull together and enjoy this community event.

**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. 22:**



Such is the mystery of man, and it is a great one, as seen by believers in the light of Christian revelation. Through Christ and in Christ, the riddles of sorrow and death grow meaningful. Apart from His Gospel, they overwhelm us. Christ has risen, destroying death by His death; He has lavished life upon us so that, as sons in the Son, we can cry out in the Spirit, "Abba, Father."

## PRAYER & LITURGY

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEKEND'S FIRST**

**COMMUNICANTS:** Liam Ainsworth, Alex Amodeo, Roby Barone, Harrison Byrne, Rosie Cannon, Simona Castiglione, Roman Eastwood, Aurelia El-Ahmadi, Alessia Fiorentini, Lauren Gaiteri, Vincenzo Graffato, Hannah Gunkel, Frazer Harris, Isabel Hinks, India Ingrao-McLarty, Phoenix Kpakpah Isabella Lawes, Sienna Marino, Fabio Martorana, Brendan McCarthy, Olivia McCarthy, Oliver Miragliotta, Annabelle O'Bryan, Valentino Orlando, Alice Patrick, Ruby Percival, Marivlyne Plange-Rhule, Dario Reynolds, Alessio Riccardi, Sofia Tammuzzo, Jake Travis, Alycia Volante, Sky Warren and Amber Witham.

**WE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH** Giuseppe Tammuzzo who will be baptised this weekend.

**FIRST FRIDAY:** The first Friday Mass will be at **7.30pm on Friday 4th July**. This will be followed by the Holy Hour at 8pm, which is always prayed for the pro-life cause.

**LATIN MASS:** The monthly Latin Mass, with sung chants, will be at **5.00pm next 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:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday evening of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **Friday 19th September**. 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!

**THE 'FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION** will be held in the church **Fri 4th July to Sun 6th July, 7/8am–9pm**. PLEASE, WE NEED MANY PARISHIONERS to sign up to come and pray for some of the 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: sign your name on lists on the blue board in the porch (half-hr slots).

**FRIDAY:** 7am Adoration begins  
12 noon Mass  
12.30pm Adoration resumes  
7.30pm Mass; 8.45pm Benediction

**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  
5.00pm Latin Mass  
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: QEII, 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](http://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. 2<sup>nd</sup> July "The Communion of Saints."** Remaining episodes: 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> July.

[www.catholicismseries.com](http://www.catholicismseries.com)

**FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** The **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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 14<sup>th</sup> July.** Please contact the presbytery for an appointment.

### YOUNG PEOPLE

**BROWNIES:** Thank you to everyone who supported the Brownies by attending the Cream Teas in the parish garden as we raised £65.82. Thank you especially to Lynn O'Bryan, Siobhan Pegram and Jeanine Percival for all your help.

**ST AUGUSTINE'S UNDER 5's:** Thank you to everyone who attended the fete as we raised £1,420.04.

### JUSTICE & PEACE & PRO-LIFE

**TRAIDCRAFT** stall will be at the back of the church this weekend.

**HELP AT FOODBANK:** The Broxbourne Foodbank will have a collection at Tesco Cheshunt (The Pond) and Tesco Brookfield centre on **3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July.** Collectors are needed at each store, drivers to transport food and volunteers to sort the food. If you can help, even an hour will make a difference, please contact Elaine Batten on 01992-428926 or e-mail [volunteerfoodbank1@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerfoodbank1@gmail.com).

**COMBATTING EUTHANASIA:** 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](http://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](mailto:charles.walker.mp@parliament.uk)

### MISCELLANEOUS

**HOUSE VISITS:** this week, Fr Philip will make Wednesday-afternoon visits to parish homes in Kenning Road, Plomer Avenue and environs.

**FR JOSEPH THAYIL MATHEW** has been appointed Assistant Priest to the Brook Green parish and will continue his ministry among the Syro-Malabar community. He will take up his new appointment 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 **13<sup>th</sup> July.**

**PARISH BBQ: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2pm: The Parish BBQ is now only 2 weeks away and at the moment only 35 adults, 2 children and 4 infants are coming. We do need final numbers as soon as possible so that we can order the food.** Application forms are now available from the back of the church and are attached the newsletter this weekend. **The forms must be returned to the presbytery with your money by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July.** 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.**

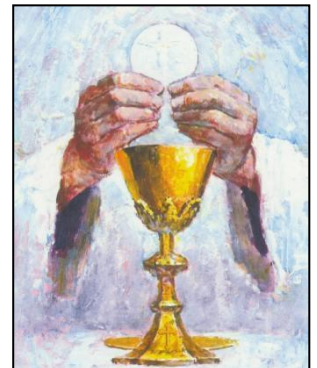
Raffle prizes are also needed for the day, so you can donate something, please hand it in at the presbytery. Thank you for your support.

**KYIV CLASSIC ACCORDION** are giving a Concert of Classical and Ukrainian Music in St Pauls and St Catherine's Church on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 7-30pm.** This is a free concert but there will be a box for donations. If you think you don't like the accordion why not come along and you may be very surprised as many were last year! 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:** Judy Livingstone and Eddie and Eileen Linford. Thank you!

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank You for giving our children the opportunity to



experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May Your Eucharist presence keep them ever free from sin, fortified in faith, pervaded by love for God and neighbour, and fruitful in virtue, that they may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death. Amen.

## Masses this week

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> June ST JOHN SOUTHWORTH, Priest & Martyr**  
10am Mass *Antonino Montalbano RIP*

**6.30pm\* Giuseppe Palminteri RIP**

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup> June STS PETER & PAUL**  
9.15am\*\* *Michael & William Doyle RIP Anniv*  
11.15am\*\* *For the Parish*  
**1.30pm First Holy Communion Mass**  
3.30pm Italian Mass ‡

**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> June**

8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer  
9.15am Mass *Barbara Murphy RIP*

**Tues 1<sup>st</sup> July DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL**

8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer  
9.15am Mass *Francesco Cannatella RIP*

**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer  
9.15am Mass *Nadia Miragliotta RIP 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv* — followed  
by coffee in the crypt

**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> July ST THOMAS, Apostle**

9.15am Mass *Tess O'Halloran's Ints*

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> July**

(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)  
11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction  
12 noon Mass *Veronica Murphy RIP*  
7.30pm Mass *Nicola Barone RIP*  
8.00pm Holy Hour

**Sat 5<sup>th</sup> July**

10am Mass *William Connell RIP*

**6.30pm\* Luciano & Rosalia Dilena RIP**

**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> July 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF YEAR**

9.15am\*\* *Pam Newell RIP*  
11.15am\*\* *Nadia Miragliotta RIP 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv*  
3.30pm Italian Mass ‡  
5.00pm Latin Mass *For the Parish*

\*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)

## Today's Liturgy

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**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 12: 1–11

*Now I know the Lord really did save me from Herod.*

**Psalm 33 — From all my terrors the Lord set me free.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 2 Timothy 4: 6–8, 17–18

*All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.*

Gospel Accl: **Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** Matthew 16: 13–19

*You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

**PREFACE TODAY:** Peter & Paul (p. 69)

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:** no. 1 (p. 18)

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Zechariah 9: 9–10

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 8: 9, 11–13

**Gospel:** Matthew 11: 25–30

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm

Sunday 8.30 – 9am & 10.40 – 11am

or ask Fr Philip at any other time.

### ROSARY

Rosary is said in the Walsingham Chapel after each weekday Mass and after Saturday 10am Mass.

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.

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## REGULAR EVENTS

**Tues 1st**

2-3.30pm Ascent, crypt

**Wed 2nd**

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.*