

# The Announcer

## St Augustine's Catholic Church

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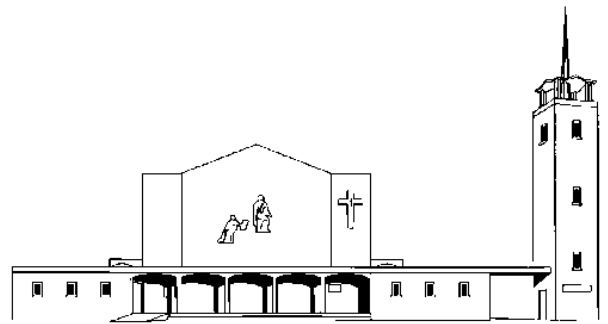
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**Year C      FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME      3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2016**

GOSPEL: Luke 10: 1–12, 17–20

*Your peace will rest on that man.*

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



**IN HIS APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION, AMORIS LAETITIA, POPE FRANCIS** lays particular emphasis on accompanying those in 'irregular situations' vis-à-vis marriage, and in Chapter 8 of his document — about which I will preach this Sunday — he proposes some approaches to helping Catholics 'regularize' their situation, and if possible celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. This is a very important area, and the Pope encourages us all to assist parishioners who are currently 'living together' outside the Sacrament of Marriage to make contact with their Parish Priest and to explore solutions.

A reminder that, in order to read the document more fully yourself, and follow up on my brief outlines in these weeks' homilies, you can access the text on the internet at the Vatican website: <https://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html> and follow the link 'Apostolic Exhortations.'

**AFTER THE BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATIONS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RECENTLY,** we give thanks today for these children's new opportunity to be close to Our Lord Jesus in the reception of the Holy Eucharist. They will gather again for 11.15am Mass this Sunday, and after the **Corpus Christi Procession** they will enjoy a party together in the Church crypt. I wish to thank Vicky Lee-Lozone and her dedicated team of Catechists — including some of last year's Confirmation candidates — for all the great kindness and effort that they put in to prepare the children for receiving Holy Communion; and those such as the Folk Group who helped with the First Communion Masses.

**OUR PARISH BARBECUE IS NEXT SUNDAY (10<sup>TH</sup>) AND SO WE NEED YOUR TICKET REQUESTS IN A.S.A.P.** — by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> (tomorrow!). Please come and support our annual event, with live music from the band, which is always such a pleasant occasion. Add your name, please, to assist with setting up and preparing food, so as to make it the success it always is.

**May our love for Jesus overflow every day into a devoted love for our neighbour!      Fr Philip**

**From Misericordiae Vultus, Pope Francis on the 'Holy Year of Mercy,' n. 19:**



May the message of mercy reach everyone, and may no one be indifferent to the call to experience mercy. I direct this invitation to conversion even more fervently to those whose behaviour distances them from the grace of God. ... For their own good, I beg them to change their lives. I ask them this in the name of the Son of God who, though rejecting sin, never rejected the sinner. Do not fall into the terrible trap of thinking that life depends on money and that, in comparison with money, anything else is devoid of value or dignity.

## PRAYER & LITURGY

**THE 'FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION** continues in the church **till the end of Sun 3rd July**, 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).

**SATURDAY:** 8am Adoration begins  
10am Mass; Adoration resumes  
4.00pm Italian Mass  
6.30pm Mass; Adoration resumes  
8.45pm Benediction

**SUNDAY:** 8am Adoration begins  
9.15am & 11.15am Masses  
12.30pm *Corpus Christi* Proc'n  
1.30pm Adoration resumes  
5.00pm Latin Mass  
8.45pm Closing Benediction

**FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **next meeting July 15<sup>th</sup>**. A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord. All welcome!

**SUNDAY HOLY HOUR** (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month) takes place at 5pm **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** (England's major shrine to Our Lady) will be on **Sat 9<sup>th</sup> July** with Cardinal Vincent Nichols. A 57-seater coach **leaves the church at 8am** and will depart from Walsingham at 4.30pm. The day includes Mass, Procession with the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham and Benediction. The cost of the coach will be £14 and you will need to bring a packed lunch. To attend, please contact the presbytery. **ONLY 5 PLACES LEFT! If you haven't already paid your coach fee of £14, could you please hand it in at the presbytery as soon as possible.** Please note there will be two collections during the day. The offertory during Mass is a contribution to the Shrine to help with maintenance and development. The second collection on leaving the Priory Grounds is to help defray the costs of hiring the grounds from the Walsingham Estate.

**DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA (22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017):** a 4-night pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady in Portugal, 100yrs on from the apparitions. Flyers now available in porch! Price expected to be £575. Please phone up the Presbytery soon to register your interest.

## HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

Pray for sick parishioners & friends: John Askew, Rosa Augello, Helen & Michael Sherman, Annette Pinto, Anne Smith, Siobhan Fiorentini, Marina Morris, & Doney Beary.

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

Housebound parishioners may also like to know that Mass is regularly broadcast on the internet from the Catholic Church in Bishops Stortford: <http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford>

**IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL:** Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an *automatic* visit from the Catholic Chaplain. 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.

**Chaplains are: Lister, Jacqueline Humphreys 01438-285518 or 07884-187463; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017**

## CATECHETICS

**FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** The **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held this **Sunday 3rd July** at 11.15am Mass when all First Communicants from both weeks return in their First Communion outfits for Mass, *Corpus Christi* procession and party.

The photos are now available to view online at Amwell Studios at [www.amwellstudios.co.uk](http://www.amwellstudios.co.uk). The passwords are available from the presbytery.

**BAPTISM COURSE:** The second part of the course will be held on **Mon 4<sup>th</sup> July** 7.30–9.00pm in the church.

**CONFIRMATION 2017:** Fr Philip wishes to see each candidate (in next year's year 9 or above) and a parent for a short chat (20–30 minutes) **Applications will close for this programme on 8<sup>th</sup> July.** Please hand in your yellow form to the presbytery, if you haven't already done so.



On the noticeboard is now posted the most recent summary of our parish's 'Growing in Faith' donations, which benefit both the diocese, and our own parish's project of employing a part-time catechetical co-ordinator. **We have raised pledges of c. £190k, to give our parish project,**

**ultimately, a slice of c. £55k.**

As yet we have not sourced anyone to take up the post of a parish catechist, but Fr Philip is in discussion with friends in the diocese who have experience in this area, to try and find a recommended and suitably qualified person for the post. Do pray that this can come about soon.

[www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith)

### SCHOOLS/UNDER-5s

**ST AUGUSTINE'S NURSERY** still have places available for 2016/17 for afternoons only (12.20–3.20pm). Contact the school on 463549.

**ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL** are holding a family fun day on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 11–3pm. All are welcome!

**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE:** If your child is presently in year 5 and would wish to go to St Mary's or another Catholic secondary school in 2017, or if your child is looking to go into Reception year in a Catholic Primary school in autumn 2017, then you will need to apply immediately to go on the list for requesting a 'Certificate of Catholic Practice' towards the end of 2016. An information pack is available now from the presbytery. Once you have completed the form and returned it to the presbytery, your name will be added to the weekly sign-in-sheet which will be available in the church porch on the noticeboard (by the fire-exit door) for signing after the Saturday evening vigil Mass and the Masses of Sunday. On this basis Fr Philip will be in a better position to judge whether he can issue the Certificate you ask for.

### YOUNG PEOPLE

**BROWNIES** would like to thank everyone who attended the afternoon tea as £150 was raised. Special thanks to Laura, Paul & Callum Scott and the Brownie Mums for all your help.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY:** three of our young adults are going on pilgrimage with Fr Philip to Łódź and Krakow to be with Pope Francis for 'World Youth Day' next month! We'll keep you posted on their experiences!

### MISCELLANEOUS

**HOUSE VISITS:** Fr Philip will make house visits on **Monday** afternoon this week, to see parishioners in homes in: Old Highway, Castle Rd, Walton Road, Whittingstall Rd.

**JUSTICE & PEACE** meeting will be held on **Friday 8th July** from 7.30pm in the crypt, with meeting from 8-9.30pm. Refreshments will be

provided.

**PARISH BBQ Sunday 10th July 2pm:** The BBQ is now only 1 week away and at the moment, we only have 27 adults, 2 children and 2 infants attending and only one person has signed the lists on the board to offer to help. If we cannot get more people or help, we may need to cancel the BBQ. We do need final numbers by Monday 4th July 12 noon so that we can order the food and we cannot accept people after 12 noon. There won't be a bar, so please do bring your own drink and glasses. **Application forms are now available from the back of the church and by the BBQ board.** Adults are £5, children £1 and under 5's free. The lists for volunteers are now available at the back of church. **PLEASE volunteer to assist with the many jobs — setting out chairs/tables before, putting up gazebos, making potato/pasta salads, coleslaw and lots more! Without help, we cannot make this event happen.** Raffle prizes are also needed for the day, so if you can donate something, please hand it in at the presbytery as we would like to have all raffle prizes by the 4<sup>th</sup> July. Thanks for your support.

**PARISH MAGAZINE:** We hope to publish our annual magazine at the beginning of Sept. If you have an article, please email it or hand it in to the presbytery by 17<sup>th</sup> July.

**KYIV CLASSIC ACCORDION** are giving a Concert of Classical and Ukranian music in St Catherines & St Paul's Church on **Tuesday 12th July 7.30pm.** This is a free concert but there will be a donation box in aid of children and families affected by the Chernobyl disaster. For more info contact Margret Byrne 443351.

**CHARITY BOAT PARTY** will be held on **Sat 16th July 7.30pm** in aid of *Shivs 3 Wishes*, a charity run by our parishioner Siobhan Fiorentini to raise funds for the neo-natal unit at Princess Alexandra Hospital, Harlow. The cost is £25 and will be start at Tower Pier, Tower of London. Contact Siobhan on 07904-931680.

**200 CLUB RENEWALS:** If you have not renewed your 200 club and would like to, please drop your money into the playgroup in an envelope with your name on. There are still a few spare numbers, so if you would like to join, please contact Theresa Casbard 301551.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Michele & Pelle De Luca and Mary Dineen. Thank you!

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
<p><b>Sat 2nd July</b> 10am Mass <i>Kitty O'Rourke RIP</i></p> <hr/> <p>4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* <i>Nadia Miragliotta RIP</i></p> <p><b>Sun 3rd July 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> 9.15am** <i>Maria &amp; Salvatore Insalaco RIP</i> 11.15am <i>Paul McGrath</i> 5.00pm Latin Mass <i>For the Parish</i> ‡</p>	<p><b>PAGE 105 in the Mass books</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Isaiah 66: 10–14 <i>Towards her I send flowing peace, like a river.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 65 — Cry out with joy to God all the earth.</b></p> <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Galatians 6: 14–18 <i>The marks on my body are those of the Lord Jesus.</i></p> <p>Gospel Accl: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> Luke 10: 1-12, 17–20 <i>Your peace will rest on that man.</i></p> <p><b>PREFACE TODAY:</b> with Euch. Pr. 4 (p. 31) <b>EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:</b> Euch. Pr. no. 4 (p. 32)</p> <p><b>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS</b> 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Deuteronomy 30: 10–14 <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Colossians 1: 15–20 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 10: 25–37</p>
<p><b>Mon 4th July</b> 8.15am Adoration                      9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Ursula Brzezinski RIP</i></p> <p><b>Tues 5th July</b> 8.15am Adoration                      9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Kitty O'Rourke RIP</i></p> <p><b>Wed 6th July</b> 8.15am Adoration                      9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass with both schools <i>David Hale RIP</i> — <i>followed by coffee in crypt</i></p> <p><b>Thurs 7th July</b> NO Mass</p> <p><b>Fri 8th July</b> <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <i>Pam Newell RIP</i></p> <p><b>Sat 9th July ST AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG, Priest</b> 10am Mass <i>Paul McGrath</i></p>	<p><b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</b> Saturday 10.30 – 11am &amp; 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.30 – 9am &amp; 10.40 – 11am or ask Fr Philip at <i>any other time.</i></p> <p><b>ROSARY</b> Rosary is said in the Walsingham Chapel after each weekday Mass and after Saturday 10am Mass.</p> <p><b>SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</b> 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><b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</b> Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date. <b>Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust</b> <b>Registered Charity No. 233699</b></p>
<p>4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* <i>For the Parish</i></p> <p><b>Sun 10<sup>th</sup> July 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> 9.15am** <i>Milly Yarwood RIP</i> 11.15am <i>Girolamo Ferraro RIP</i> ‡</p>	<p><b>REGULAR EVENTS</b></p> <p><b>Tues 5th</b>                      12.30pm Lunch club, crypt      <b>Wed 6th</b>                      6pm Brownies, crypt</p>
<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>	

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. —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.*