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St Augustine's Catholic Church

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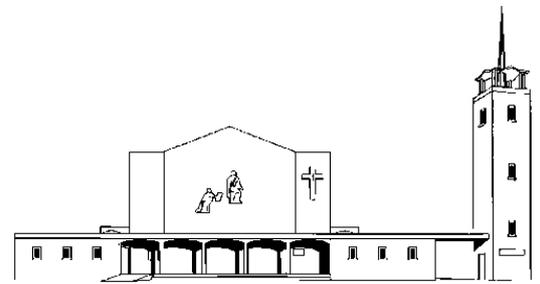
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Year B

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

15th JULY 2018

GOSPEL: Mark 6: 7-13

He began to send them out.

My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,

THE SUNDAY GOSPEL SPEAKS OF THE MISSION OF THE APOSTLES to preach the Good News amongst the towns and villages. Included alongside their preaching of repentance, and their liberating from demonic possession, was the anointing with oil. This latter apostolic action has come down to us as the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. It is about this that I will be preaching this weekend, as it is a beautiful and powerful Sacrament, but

maybe little-appreciated or misunderstood even amongst practising Catholics. It's important that we are better informed about this healing Sacrament, so that we make sure that we call the priest to our frail or seriously ill relatives – or for ourselves – when necessary.

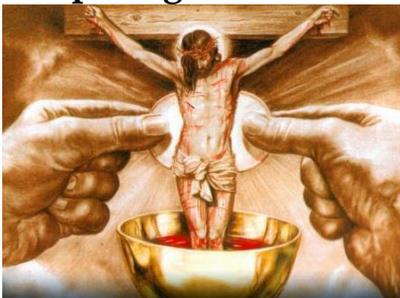
MAY I REITERATE THE THANKS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE PARISH BARBECUE which are expressed inside the Newsletter. It was a most pleasant afternoon on a sunny warm day, and my visitors – my parents, sister & family included – had a lovely time. Thanks to one and all!

BY NEXT WEEKEND I WILL BE ON THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE, followed by a couple of weeks of holiday. We welcome back Fr John Baptist Kitembo from Uganda who will arrive on Friday to cover the parish whilst I am away. Please give him your usual welcome and assistance in the weeks when he is here – after which he will go and supply also for Fr Terry in Hertford. Blessings to the parish schools' teachers and families in this last week of term!

May the Lord, in His love and kindness, bless you and your loved one this week! Fr Philip



Preparing for the Eucharistic Congress 2018: John Paul II's *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 36:



Invisible communion, though by its nature always growing, presupposes the life of grace, by which we become "partakers of the divine nature," and the practice of the virtues of faith, hope and love. ... Keeping these invisible bonds intact is a specific moral duty incumbent upon Christians who wish to participate fully in the Eucharist by receiving the body and blood of Christ. The Apostle Paul appeals to this duty when he warns: "Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup." Along these same lines, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* rightly stipulates that "anyone conscious of a grave sin must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to communion". I therefore desire to reaffirm that in the Church there remains in force, now and in the future, the rule by which the Council of Trent gave concrete expression to the Apostle Paul's stern warning when it affirmed that, in order to receive the Eucharist in a worthy manner, "one must first confess one's sins, when one is aware of mortal sin."

PRAYER & LITURGY

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH Vienna Amico, Dario Martorana and Enrico Misuraca who will be baptised this weekend.

BILL POLLARD RIP of Taylors Avenue, Hoddesdon died recently. Our sympathies go out to his family. His funeral will be on **Monday 16th July at 12 noon. There will therefore be no 9.15am Mass on Monday.**

CARLO CIARAVELLA RIP of Lord Street, Hoddesdon died recently. Our sympathies go out to his family. His funeral will be on **Mon 23rd July at 12 noon** with an Italian priest.

ROSE MCCAFFERTY RIP of Church View, Broxbourne died recently. Our sympathies go out to her family. Details of her funeral will follow in due course. *May they rest in peace.*

SCHOOL MASSES will be on **Friday** at 9.30am at St Augustine's School and at 11am at St Cross School. There will therefore be no 12 noon Mass. All are welcome at school Masses.

SUNDAY HOLY HOUR will next take place **this Sunday 15th July at 5pm** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction. A truly peaceful hour!

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP: 3rd Friday of each month, 7.30-8.30pm: **next meeting Friday 20th July.** A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO TYBURN CONVENT, the shrine of the martyrs, will be held on **Thursday 23rd August.** We aim to meet at 9.30am for the train from Broxbourne. There will be a talk from one of the Sisters, a visit to the shrine displays, and Mass. If you wish, you can bring a packed lunch to eat in Hyde Park afterwards. Please contact the presbytery to register your interest.

FR PHILIP'S TALKS: there will be an extra 'bonus' talk on Jewish roots of the Eucharist on **Tuesday 11th September at 8pm** in the church.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

ADOREMUS, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage & Congress is being held in Liverpool on **Sat 8th and Sun 9th September.** If you would like to attend, open tickets for the

Saturday & Sunday are now available online **until the 31st July.** You will need to pay a £40 delegate fee. Book your tickets at: unbouncepages.com/adoremus2018/ .

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

Please pray for our sick parishioners & friends: John Askew, Rosa Augello & Siobhan Fiorentini & Tallulah Scott.

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

Housebound parishioners may 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, Rev Anthony Curran 01438-285138 or 07876-526935; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017

CATECHETICS

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on **Friday 31st Aug & Fri 14th Sept.** The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

CONFIRMATION 2019: LAST CALL for the initial meeting (for next year's Year 9 and above) for the coming year's programme: **Tuesday 17th July at 7.30pm** for parents and candidates in the crypt. It is essential to ring/email the presbytery to register. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIME TO THE MEETING.**

"RCIA" - 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults' is the programme for preparation for adults wishing to become Catholics, or be prepared for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). **Course begins Mon 3rd September at 7pm.** If anyone is considering becoming a Catholic (or is an adult Catholic wishing to be confirmed,) please contact Fr Philip soon. There are **green leaflets** outlining RCIA by the newsletters.

SCHOOLS/UNDER-5s

ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL has some Nursery places available for 2018-19. See school website for how to apply or contact the office on 463549 **by 20th July**. Places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE: those who have applied to be on the Schools' Signing Register, please keep signing the weekly sign-in-sheet after the Saturday evening vigil Masses and the Masses of Sunday. It is now no longer possible to apply to be added to the register for this year.



We have pledges of c. £185k, to give our parish project, ultimately, a slice of c. £51k. So far we already have £29k available for our parish project, which is to employ a part-time worker in the area of catechetics and evangelization.

Fr Philip is working with the diocese and seeking advice from other diocesan priests to draw up a job description to find the right person for this role.

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

JUSTICE & PEACE AND PRO-LIFE

CAFOD - 'Share the Journey' - Join our 24,900 miles walk (the distance around the world) and show solidarity with refugees and migrants, who have been forced to flee their homes. Every step we take will be sending a message to world leaders that they must step up too when they meet to agree new UN agreements. Take part in the walk planned on 2nd September around Barclay Park. With a group of people, the miles will really add up!

SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB on 17th July, 12.30pm

HOUSE VISITS: Fr Philip will be visiting parish homes on **Mon afternoon** this week in: Robinia Rd, Huron Rd & environs, The Oval.

PARISH BBQ was a huge success and over 150 people attended! We've had a lot of great feedback from parishioners about how much they enjoyed the BBQ. Obviously, the day

didn't happen without a lot of hard work from many parishioners. As there are far too many to name in person, **THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed to make the BBQ such a fantastic day – you know who you are! The surplus income from the day will be going towards the re-fit of the crypt kitchen. If you did leave any bowls behind, please do arrange to collect them from the presbytery. Thank you.

CRYPT RE-FIT: The new worktop has now been fitted, and all is looking so much nearer completion now! We have already received some generous donations towards the new kitchen, but if any other parishioners wish to contribute to the costs (which total £18,000), then it will be gratefully welcomed.

PARISH MAGAZINE: We hope to publish in early September. If you have an article, please do e-mail it to the presbytery by **Fri 20th July**.

ST BARNABAS SOCIETY: Thank you to everyone who gave to the appeal last weekend. £457.90 was raised.

CHURCH CLEANERS are still **urgently** needed to help on Wed mornings as there are now only 2 cleaners. This will involve one hour per month. If you can help, please contact the presbytery.

KYIV CLASSIC ACCORDIAN DUO are giving a concert of Classical and Ukrainian music in St Catherine's & St Paul's Church on **Thursday 9th August at 7.30pm**. This is a free concert but there will be a donation box in aid of children and families affected by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster. For more info, please contact Margaret Byrne on 443351.

CHURCH CLEANING: Filomena Mezzullo, Elizabeth Nsonwah & Tony & Linda Barrell. Thank you for your help.

DATA PROTECTION: After parish rotas have finished, please shred your rota or return it to the presbytery for shredding. Thank you.

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
Sat 14th July 9.30am Adoration 10am Mass Keith Woollard RIP rec. dec.	PAGE 106 in the Mass books 1st Reading: Amos 7: 12–15 <i>Go, prophesy to my people.</i>
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass For the Parish	Psalm 84 — Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.
Sun 15th JULY 15th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** Pamela Newell RIP 11.15am Nicola Barone RIP ‡ 5pm Holy Hour	2nd Reading: Ephesians 1: 3–14 <i>Before the world was made, God chose us.</i> Gospel Accl: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.</i>
Mon 16th July OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer NO 9.15am Mass 12 noon Funeral Bill Pollard RIP	Gospel: Mark 6: 7–13 <i>He began to send them out.</i>
Tues 17th July 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass Eddie Wright RIP	PREFACE TODAY: with Euch. Pr. 4 (p. 31) EUCHARISTIC PRAYER: no. 4 (p. 32)
Wed 18th July 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass Raquel Illarreta RIP — followed by coffee in the crypt	NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 16th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 1st Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1–6 2nd Reading: Ephesians 2: 13–18 Gospel: Mark 6: 30–34
Thurs 19th July — NO Mass	
Fri 20th July <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 9.30am Mass in St Augustine's School Leavers' intentions 11am Mass in St Cross School Leavers' intentions NO Adoration or noon Mass	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.
Sat 21st July 9.30am Adoration 10am Mass Deceased members of Stickland Family	ROSARY The Rosary is often prayed in the Lady Chapel after weekday Mass and Saturday 10am Mass.
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass Dennis Dempsey RIP	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.
Sun 22nd July 16th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** Luciano & Rosalia DiLena RIP 11.15am For the Parish ‡	SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.
<p style="text-align: center;">* 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>	Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699

REGULAR EVENTS

Tues 17th 12.30pm Lunch club, crypt	Wed 18th 6pm Brownies, crypt
Tues 17th 7.30pm Confirmation meeting, crypt	Fri 20th 7.30pm Prayer group, church

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.*