

- The Announcer

St Augustine's Catholic Church

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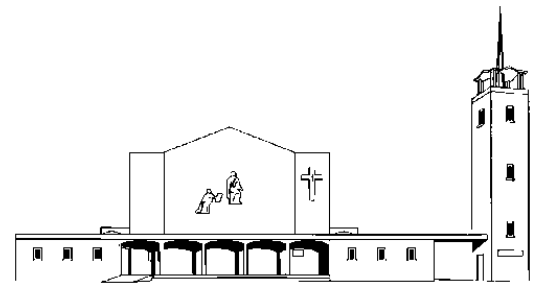
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Year C

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

31ST JULY 2022

Gospel: *Luke 12: 13-21*

This hoard of yours, whose will it be?

The diocese and our local church depend upon our weekly free will financial offerings in order to function. Costs include furthering worship and mission, the up-keep and running of our buildings, basic salaries and support of various good causes. We should all be grateful for whatever we are able to contribute each week either by standing order, contactless or on the plate. The measure of our commitment reflects the conversion of our pockets. So that we can have a better idea of how our money is disposed, we intend to provide more regular updates

of income and expenditure. We should know also how our contributions are deposited. Until recently this was taken to the bank, but now that our local diocesan-approved bank is closing, we were faced with three options: take the money to Hertford to be deposited, take it to the post-office or pay a private company to collect it. Weighing everything up, your financial committee decided that the third option was the best. Conscious that the local post-office is often busy we didn't wish to create further logjams as all monies deposited there have to be counted. We may not understand why post-offices have to double up as banks, nor why libraries have to accommodate post-offices but we are grateful nevertheless that they still provide a local public service. Can we say the same of our banks? In whose interest do they exist? Look how many banks are closing across the country. We are told that this reflects changing customer preferences but are we ever consulted? The move to create a cashless society which they and other financial institutions are spear-heading is in danger of disadvantaging the most vulnerable members of society, while the move to digitalise us can disenfranchise as well as expose us to greater vulnerability. Cash it has been said never crashes. Is it not corporate greed which is spearheading our cashless society rather than public interest? In today's epistle St Paul singles out greed as the antithesis of true worship. In our gospel Jesus reminds us of the dire consequences for those who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich towards God. Society rightly questions the obscene profits of the higher echelons in the banking regime when banks are closing, or the awards of the fuel industries in the face of the mounting costs of fuel. Yet it is not just of the souls of the very fat cats that demands could be made this very night. We don't have to be very wealthy to suffer from greed. 'Watch and be on your guard against avarice of any kind' for our life Jesus says, is not made secure by what we own, even when we have more than we need.

Fr Julian



PRAYER & LITURGY

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH Lucy Moy and Oscar Collins who will be baptised this weekend.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS to Dino Amico and Ciara Lydon who will be married in church next week. May God bless them in their married life.

EXPOSITION will not take place on Thursday evening.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS will be on **Friday 5th August at 7pm**. This will be followed by Exposition at 8pm.

MAUREEN FALLON of Boleyn Court died recently aged 77. Her Requiem will be on **Wednesday 3rd August at 11am**.

GODWIN CASTALDI of Woodstock Road, Broxbourne died recently aged 92. His Requiem will be on **Friday 26th August at 12 noon**.

May they rest in peace.

WESTMINSTER PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM Saturday 24th September: We

have the chance to go on pilgrimage to Walsingham with Cardinal Vincent and the Auxiliary Bishops. The



theme of the Pilgrimage is 'Mary Mother of Sorrows, Mother of Joy'. For our troubled world in a year of turmoil, confusion, and the continued war in Ukraine, we bring our prayers and intentions to Our Lady of Walsingham. The coach will leave the church at 8am, to get to Walsingham in good time for 12 noon Mass. After lunch we walk the Holy Mile and conclude with Benediction at the old Priory shrine. We have a 49-seater coach, with a toilet. To book a place on the coach, fill in the slip at the bottom of the newsletter and give it in with the £28 (£23 coach + £5 pilgrims' levy) cost, either as cash or a cheque payable to 'St Augustine's Catholic Church,' to The Presbytery.

ALTAR SERVERS: As well as the yr-6 Secondary school age servers who do a great job each and every week serving, we also need some Yr 3, 4 or 5 children to join the serving team, especially as we will need them to serve School

Masses in the coming year. Please contact the presbytery if you are interested.

VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE TO WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL will be

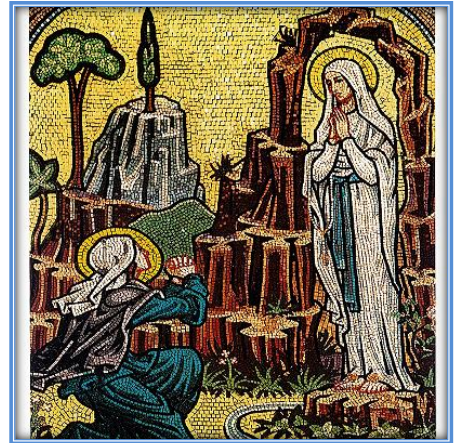
from **Sat 3rd**

Sept at 1pm

- Monday 5th

Sept at 6am.

There is no need to book and visitors are invited to go at a time suitable for them & join the queue on the Piazza



for entry via the West Doors. Please note that at peak times, especially before or after liturgies, there will be long queues. [The Cathedral website](http://TheCathedralwebsite) will provide the most up-to-date information for all those planning to visit+ during the weekend. The relics will also go on tour around England and details of the itinerary can be found at stbernadette.org.uk/prayers. (They will be visiting St Joseph's at Stevenage on the 17th October).

THE 'FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION will be held in the church **Fri 26th-Sun 28th August**. The sign-up sheets to offer to pray for some of the 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be available soon.

FINANCE

PARISH FINANCE: Thank you so much to all who continue to give regularly by S.O., or by envelope. For those whose finances are more stable at present, please consider your parish giving, to help the parish out. Please see <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hoddesdon/donate/> for the details, or fill in [this form](#). For a Standing Order, here are the necessary details:

Account Name:	WRCDT Hoddesdon
Sort Code:	40-05-20
Account Number:	31264370

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

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

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: 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, John O'Neill 01438-285138 or 07876-526935; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently including Erlinda Cabrera-Velasco, Godwin Castaldi and Maureen Fallon and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Carmela Ruggiero, Fergal Lawlor, Larry O'Neill, Mary Beary, Raymond Salter, Colomba Ferrazzano, Patrick Wyndham, Irene Teoli and Doreen Willis. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

CATECHETICS

RCIA: 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: If you are considering becoming a Catholic or are an adult Catholic wishing to be confirmed, our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 9th August** at 7.30pm in the presbytery.

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on **Saturday 3rd September at 11.30am** in church. The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2022/2023:

application forms for the Confirmation programme for young people in Year 9 or above are now available to collect from the presbytery either by email or in person. This is on the assumption that you regularly attend weekly Mass. Please complete the form and post it into the presbytery together with a photo of the candidate. More information about the programme will follow in due course.



JUSTICE & PEACE & PRO-LIFE

CAFOD Did you know that CAFOD, helps some of the poorest and most marginalised people across the world? Their local experts work with people over the long-term, helping them to have the right skills, tools and opportunities to live

with dignity and support their families. For example, in South Sudan they are helping families learn how to farm better as the climate gets hotter, so that they can cope better in the future when things get even more difficult. Find out more www.cafod.org.uk Thank you for your support.

SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

UKRAINE REFUGEES: We now have some Ukraine families in our parish who need financial help. If you would like to donate, please do post your donation through the presbytery door, and write on the envelope Ukraine donation. Thank you.

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL in Cheshunt will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary on **Wednesday 28th September** with a special Mass said by Bishop Paul followed by a picnic lunch. Past and present pupils, families and friends of the school are welcome. Please contact the school office: 01992 635060 admin@stpauls373.herts.sch.uk.

DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES can be viewed online <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs>.

ST ELIZABETH'S CENTRE in Much Hadham have various job vacancies. Please visit <https://www.stelizabeths.org.uk/working-with-us/current-vacancies>.

CHURCH CLEANING: Elizabeth Nsonwah, Tina Pegna and Sophie Lenguito. Thank you for your help.

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PILGRIMAGE DAY TO WALSINGHAM ON 24TH SEPTEMBER

Name:

Contact no.:

Email address.....

Next-of-kin name & contact number:

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Please return to the presbytery in an envelope with your name on together with the £28.

PROTECTING YOUR PRIVACY

Your personal details will be held on file. After the Pilgrimage day, your details will be securely destroyed. You can read the full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy.

Liturgy this week	Today's Liturgy
Sat 30th July St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Dr 9.30am Exposition 10am Mass <i>Maria Cocchi Beschizza RIP</i>	Page 117 in the Mass books 1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 2: 21-23 <i>What does a man gain for all his toil?</i>
4.00pm Italian Mass* 6.30pm Mass* <i>For the Parish</i>	Ps 89 — O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.
Sun 31st July 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9.15am Mass <i>Larry O'Neill RIP</i> 11.15am Mass <i>Stanley & Isabella Abrahams RIP</i>	2nd Reading: Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11 <i>You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.</i>
Mon 1st August St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Dr 8.30am Exposition 9.15am Mass <i>Broxbourne Foodbank workers & clients</i> 7pm Exposition	Gospel Accl.: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!</i>
Tues 2nd August St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop 8.30am Exposition 9.15am Mass <i>Gwyn Davies RIP</i> 7pm Exposition	Gospel: Luke 12: 13-21 <i>This hoard of yours, whose will it be?</i>
Wed 3rd August 8.30am Exposition 9.15am Mass <i>Giuseppe Distefano RIP followed by coffee in the crypt</i> 11am Funeral Maureen Fallon RIP 7pm Exposition	<p style="text-align: center;">NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)</p> 1st Reading: Wisdom 18: 6-9 2nd Reading: Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19 Gospel: Luke 12: 32-48
Thurs 4th August St John Vianney, Priest 8.30am Exposition 9.15am Mass <i>The Kelly Family intentions</i> NO Exposition	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</p> Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.45 – 9am & 10.45 – 11am or ask Fr Julian at any other time.
Fri 5th Aug Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major (Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+) 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <i>Ernie Teale RIP</i> 7pm Mass <i>Michelina De Piano RIP</i> 8pm Exposition	<p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY</p> The Rosary is often prayed in the Lady Chapel after weekday Mass and Saturday 10am Mass.
Sat 6th August THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD 9.30am Exposition 10am Mass <i>Annamaria & Massimiliano Venturini RIP</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</p> Any parishioner sick, frail, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Julian for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.
4.00pm Italian Mass* 6.30pm* Mass <i>Helen Lonergan RIP</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</p> Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.
Sun 7th August 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9.15am Mass <i>For the Parish</i> 11.15am Mass <i>Wendy Thurlow RIP</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">* Vigil Mass of Sunday</p>	
REGULAR EVENTS	

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 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.*