**6th September 2020 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

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| Sun | **6th** |  | 9:30 | am | Bernadette Mc Groder RIP | 11.30am Mary O’Driscoll RIP |
| Mon | **7th** |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Tue | **8th** |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Wed | **9th** |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Thur | **10th** |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Fri | **11th** |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Sat | **12th** |  | 6:30 | pm | Michael O’ Connell RIP |  |
| Sun | **13th** |  | 9:30 | am | Joan Kelleher RIP | 11.30am Daniel & Agnes McLaughlin ‘A’ |

**Quite a number of our parishioners, relatives and friends, are ill at home or in hospital;** Alex Fernandes, James Otaga, Maura Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Power, Maria Mizaida Ortiz Castro , Maria , Francis Mc Ginley, Ronan Mc Donagh, Kimberly Barrett, Agnes Lee. Let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

**Parishioners who have recently died**: Mary Osi-Arthur, James McGinley, Martin OConnell, Jimmy Sullivan, Mary O’Driscoll, Petroc Lavel-Johnstone, May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.

**Last Sundays Collection: £395. Many thanks.**

**Date Time Reader Eucharistic Minister**

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| Sat | **12th** | 6:30 | pm | Lucy Addington | Not at the moment |
| Sun | **13th** | 9:30 | am | Christine Graham | “ |
|  |  | 11:30 | am | Alero Orimoloye | “ |

**Church Cleaning** **Rota**: Wafaa Milad

**We are slowly moving forward** to some sort of ‘normality’ with no returning to how we were before the lockdown in March anytime soon. Meanwhile we take care each other by observing all guidelines while we are in church even though it can be a bit of a bother sometime, especially wearing face masks. As you will have noticed numbers at Mass have dropped considerably. If you know of someone who is still thinking about returning then do please let them know that the church is safe place to come to and invite them along. At the same time assure them it is Ok not to come along if they are not comfortable and suggest they watch the celebration of Mass on TV, streaming from various churches in the Diocese and from around the world, and pray for the parish and its work and mission.

**Now that we are back** you will have noticed that our weekly offertory/collection has dropped by about £200 per week. Since we were completely closed down in March our overall income from all collections, candles, Nursery, etc. has had a massive hit. Our parish has lost over £13,000 during the period. Together we will look at how we can address this lose during the month of October. A heartfelt thanks to all who struggled to make sure their weekly offering reached the parish; by hand, by post, Direct Debit, through the parish donation section on our website, and mobile texts, during lockdown. Your faithful efforts have kept the parish afloat during these exceptional trying times.

**First Communion:** Corona virus cancelled our original plans. Parents have now received new details from John Roche our Catechetical Co-ordinator. Here is a brief outline.

**Refresh Lessons**: Wednesday 9th September 6pm. Wednesday 16th September 6pm.

**Reconciliation/First Confession:** Saturday 26th September 10am.

**First Communion Days:** Sunday 4th October at 11.30am Mass. Sunday 11th October at 11.30am Mass.

**Confirmation:** All candidates will be contacted by Fr Patrick over the next couple of weeks with a date for Confirmation. Meanwhile could all candidates take time to refresh themselves by re-reading the course confirmation booklet? Any questions contact Fr. Patrick directly on his voice mail 02084510367/3.

**Altar Servers:** If your child has make his/her first communion lately or about to make it shortly, please consider them to become altar servers. Formation and Training will begin immediately after one of the 11.30am Masses and last about 30 mins. Please see John Roche or Fr. Patrick.

Don’t forget you weekly gift to **SUFRA** our local Food Band on St Raphael’s Estate. There is a real need for this charity and the work it does in our neighbourhood. Since lockdown in March there has been a massive drop in food donations: so let’s renew our commitment. Do please keep up the good work and thanks to all who regularly give, and a plead for more of us to get involved. Their web-site is worth visiting for more information [www.sufra-nwlondon.org.uk](http://www.sufra-nwlondon.org.uk).

**Retrouvaille** offers a lifeline to troubled marriages.  Backed by prayer, this programme has healed and turned around thousands of marriages on the brink of collapse and even brought divorced couples back together again. The next programme starts in September 2018.  Don’t miss this lifeline if your marriage is painful – visit [**www.retrouvaille.org.uk**](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/)or email [**info@retrouvaille.org.uk**](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk)or call or text 0797 338 0443 in complete confidence.