

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST MARY & ST JOSEPH, POPLAR AND OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST FREDERICK, LIMEHOUSE



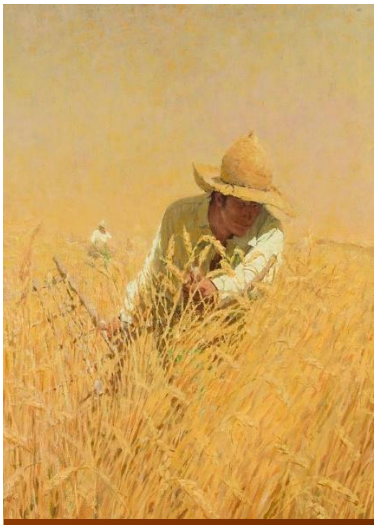
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NEWSLETTER for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2026

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Sat 10:30am - 11:30am at Poplar
1st Fridays - 6pm - 7pm at Poplar

Baptisms
By appointment. Usually at 12 noon on Saturdays.

Parish Office Opening
Tue - Fri 10.00am - 2.30pm



Harvesting the Wheat
Harvey T Dunn

Confessions:
Sat 10:30am - 11:15am at Poplar
Sat 5.15pm - 5.45pm at Poplar
1st Fridays 6.00pm - 6.45pm at Poplar or by appointment

Marriages
Couples **must** meet with Fr Andrew **6 months** before the intended wedding, even when the wedding is taking place elsewhere.

Sat 18th July	16th Sunday (Vigil)	6.00pm	Poplar	Anita Anthony Ijan *Sick*
Sun 19th July	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am 12noon	Poplar * Limehouse	Sr Christine *Special Intention* The People of the Parish
Mon 20th July	Feria Week 16			**No Mass**
Tue 21st July	Feria Week 16			**No Mass**
Wed 22nd July	St Mary Magdalen	10.00am	Poplar	Agnieszka *Thanksgiving*
Thu 23rd July	St Bridget of Sweden			**No Mass**
Fri 24th July	St Charbel Makhlouf	10.00am	Poplar	Neil Robinson *RIP*
Sat 25th July	St James the Apostle 17th Sunday (Vigil)	10.00am 6.00pm	Poplar Poplar	Private Intention Liam Hamilton *Anniversary*
Sun 26th July	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am 12noon	Poplar * Limehouse	Gloria Ubidia *Sick & B'Day Ints* The People of the Parish

*= Teas and Coffees in the Guild Room after the 10am Mass

† = Multi-Faith Prayer Room in the Churchill Place Shopping Centre between Joe the Juice and Barclays

MASS THIS SUNDAY – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First reading Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Neither is there any God besides you, whose care is for all, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly. For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when men doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. You are sovereign in strength but you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. Through such works you have taught your people that the one who is righteous must be kind, and you have filled your sons with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

Response to the Psalm O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.
Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer,
and attend to my voice in supplication.

All the nations you have made shall come;
they will bow down before you, O Lord, and glorify your name,
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God.

You, O God, are compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abundant in mercy and fidelity;
turn and take pity on me.

Second reading Romans 8:26-27

Brothers and Sisters: The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Gospel Acclamation Cf. Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia. I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children. Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 13:24-30

At that time: Jesus put another parable before the crowd, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?" He said to them, "An enemy has done this." So the servants said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he said, "No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, 'Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' " '

Next Sunday is the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)