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Mass this Sunday: Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 22nd September 2019

Today's Readings

Amos 8:4-7 Liturgy is not something to get over with. It is the point of living.

1 Timothy 2:1-8 Our opinion about leaders is worth so much less than our prayers for them.

Luke 16:1-13 The unjust steward is driven by his own self-interest, but this does not fool his master.

Mass this week

			<i>Intention</i>
Saturday 21 st	6:30pm		Fr George Ingram (RIP)
Sunday 22 nd	9:00am		For Our Parishioners
	10:30am		Fr David Cullen (RIP)
Monday 23 rd	7:30pm	St Pio of Pietrelcina	The Anxious
Tuesday 24 th	9:15am	Our Lady of Walsingham	Pilgrims
Wednesday 25 th		No Mass	
Thursday 26 th	9:15am	SS Cosmas & Damian	Medical Professionals
Friday 27 th	9:15am	St Vincent de Paul	Our Parish SVP Conference

Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:45pm or by appointment

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in thanksgiving (JS)

Last Week's Offertory This amounted to £445.89
Many thanks for all your generosity. We also receive about £600 each week in bank standing orders from parishioners. **Text Giving** If you wish to support the parish by giving £5 via your mobile 'phone, just text PARISH ROYST to 70800.

Changes to weekday Mass times. Please note that Fr Philip will be off this coming Wednesday (He has meetings he can't get out of in London on Monday and Tuesday). The evening Mass this week will therefore be on Monday at 7:30pm and the Tuesday Mass will be at 9:15am. The Funeral of Fr Philip's mother will be on Tuesday 1st October, there will be no mass that evening.

Secondary Transfer Applications for Secondary schools for September 2020 must be in by October 31st. Most Catholic schools will require evidence that families are regularly attending Mass. If you need a *Certificate of Catholic Practice* please see Fr Philip after any Sunday Mass and we can arrange a short interview.

Sacramental Programmes

This is now the time that we are collecting in names for those who wish to receive the sacraments of initiation. Forms are available at the back of Church for:

- First Reconciliation and First Communion (usually year 3 at school). Please can all forms be filled in and returned before October 28th. It is important that we get an idea of numbers as soon as possible so that we can order the right amount of resources in time to begin in November.
- RCIA Adults wishing to be baptised, confirmed or received into the church, or for those who are interested in renewing their faith.
- Please note that the next programme for Confirmation (Ys 9 and 10) will be 2020-2021. We would also welcome people willing to accompany people on their journey of faith.

Mission Celebration On Saturday October 5th Fr Philip will be facilitating the Diocesan Mission Celebration at the Rosary Shrine, Haverstock Hill. At least two cars from the parish are going. If you would be interested in coming as well please let Fr Philip know.

Volunteer Counters We do still need more volunteer counters to fulfil the guidelines of good practice. Please see Fr Philip if you can help

Evangelisation Team We are hoping to arrange a meeting of the Evangelisation Team in the next week or two. It would be very good to have one or two new members. Please see Fr Philip if you would like to know more.

Parish Pastoral Council The next meeting of the PPC will be on Thursday 26th September. Amongst the areas of discussion for our parish planning group, are to think through what we shall be doing in the next Church Year. Please can any groups who should send representatives to the PPC please confirm who is representing them.

Fr Seamus will be celebrating his 50th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood on 5th October. There is a card at the back of church for anyone wishing to sign.

The House of Prayer will next meet on Thursday 26th September, 10 till 12, at 52 Cherry Drive. New members welcome

Red Boxes The time has come to empty your red *Mission* mission boxes. Envelopes are available at the back of Church. We would be grateful if you could arrange to pick up and return your envelopes promptly. The magazines will be put out as soon as they arrive. Thank you for your continued support.

Coin Collection: The school and church will be jointly fundraising to help with the celebrations of the Church Centenary and the school's 50 years. We hope to create a large outline of both the Church and the School, then fill them in with coins; these can be either UK or overseas coins. There is a bucket in the Sacristy to collect your donations. Thank you

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September:

The Protection of the Oceans That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Walsingham Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life - Sunday 6th October.

Tickets: Adults £17.50, Children & Students £8.00.
For more information: www.prolifepilgrimage.org To book- Emanuela 01582 655246 / 07749 881060 / emanuela.coy@outlook.com

The John Henry Newman School warmly invites parents of year 6 pupils to an Open Evening on Thursday 26th September from 5:30-8:30pm. The last tour of the school will be at 7pm and the headteacher, Mr Matthew, will start his talk at 7:30pm

Cleaning Rota Monday – Ruth Friday – Mary & Pat



September 29th Produce Sale

Calling all jam-makers and bakers;
Allotment holders and paper folders;
Picklers and crafters;
Gardeners and growers;
Chutney creators and hedgerow foragers.
Whether or not we are in the season of 'mellow fruitfulness'; this is the time to share the fruits of your labours.

We will again be holding a produce sale (and we are very broad in defining what is 'produce') on the Michaelmas Weekend.

All proceeds to the Centenary fund.

Get producing!

Please include a list of ingredients on any prepared produce. Please bring any produce to the Sacristy (Saturday Evening) or to the Hall (Sunday morning)

Please also suggest a suitable price for your produce.