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Mass this Sunday: Most Holy Trinity (C) 12th June 2022

Today's Readings

Proverbs 8:22-31 The figure of Wisdom is God's companion in creation and in communicating with human beings.

Romans 5:1-5 It is our faith and commitment to Jesus Christ that puts us at peace with God.

John 16:12-15 The Spirit will help us understand more fully the teachings of Jesus.

Mass This Week

			<i>Intention</i>
Saturday 11 th	6:30pm		Make Lunch
Sunday 12 th	9:00am (NB livestreamed on FaceBook)		For Our Parishioners
	10:30am		Michael Maloney (RIP)
Tuesday 14 th	7:30pm	Weekday	Fr Kevin Eastell RIP
Wednesday 15 th	9:15am	Weekday	Bruce Kent RIP
Thursday 16 th	9:15am	St Richard of Chichester	Mike Saltmarsh (RIP)
Friday 17 th	9:15am	Weekday	The Housebound

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Kajetan Migdal (RIP)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation may be celebrated during exposition (5:30pm Saturday) or by appointment.

Fire Wardens We still need more volunteers for the 10:30am Mass. Please sign up in the sacristy. Please see Fr Philip to arrange a further short training session.

Children's liturgy It is great to welcome the return of our children's liturgy. The plan is to run it every Sunday at 10:30am during the school term. The children's liturgy will resume this Sunday 12th June.

The Day for Life is celebrated on the Third Sunday of June, which this year is the 18th/19th June. The focus this year is the care of the elderly, chosen because of the tragic impact of COVID on elderly people, and the fact they are most threatened by the possible legislation of Assisted Suicide. See <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/dfl22/>

World Meeting of Families 22-26 June 2022

#WMOF22 – this year we are invited to celebrate the World Meeting of Families locally using resources developed under the title 'Rome at home' to enable families to participate at the local level. It would be good to have a meeting to discuss how we may mark this in our parish. One time that might work for a short conversation would be Wednesday Evening (15th June) at 7:30pm in the Presbytery (or in the Sacristy if loads of people want to take part. Please see Fr Philip if you would like to help plan things. There are resources and suggestions at <https://rcdow.org.uk/marriage-and-family-life/marriage-and-family-life-catechesis/world-meeting-of-families-history/> and <https://rcdow.org.uk/evangelisation/news/june-bulletin/>

Catholic Women's League Our next meeting will take place on Monday 13th June at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

Catholic Scripture Engagement Officer – a new role. Minimum of 20 hours per week up to full-time, as preferred Salary Range: £25,000–£29,000 pro rata plus flexible benefits. <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/about-us/jobs/catholic-scripture-engagement-officer/>

Support for our Nigerian Brothers and Sisters
Cardinal Vincent has written to Frs Peter Egboo and Alexander Izang Atu, Nigerian Chaplains, following the deadly attack on Pentecost Sunday at St Francis' Catholic Church in Owo, to assure them and the Nigerian community of his and our prayers and support. The full text of his letter is at: <https://rcdow.org.uk/cardinal/news/cardinal-offers-prayers-for-victims-of-deadly-attack-on-church-in-owo-nigeria/>

Summer Gatherings for Catechists At last, we are once again able to meet in person. This year, the **Summer Gathering** will take place on **Saturday 2nd July, 9.45am-3.30pm** at Sacred Heart High School, Hammersmith. Register at: <https://rcdow.org.uk/evangelisation/>

Will You take the first Step? CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to www.cafod.org.uk/gapyear

One-stop information for people in Herts

Useful links and resources

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/about-the-council/news/news-archive/help-to-manage-the-cost-of-living>

HertsHelp Call 0300 123 4044 to speak to an adviser, email info@hertshelp.net or go to <https://www.hertshelp.net/hertshelp.aspx>

National Energy Action *Warm and Safe Homes helpline*, 0800 304 7159 is open daily, 10am-12pm, to support clients with energy advice around topics such as reducing energy consumption, Warm Home Discount and Priority Services Register, fuel debt, water rates and benefits advice.

The meditations of Henri Nouwen remain very relevant. *Behold the Beauty of the Lord: praying with Icons* 2007 p41f

Saint Sergius, in whose honour and memory Rublev painted the Trinity icon, wanted to bring all of Russia together around the Name of God so that its people would conquer "the devouring hatred of the world by the contemplation of the Holy Trinity." Fear and Hatred have become no less destructive since the fourteenth century, and Rublev's icon has become no less creative in calling us to the place of love, where fear and hatred no longer destroy us. The longer we pray with the icon and the deeper our heart is drawn towards that mysterious place where circle and cross are both present, the more fully we come to understand how to be committed to the struggle for justice and peace in the world while remaining at home in God's love.

... I pray that Rublev's icon will teach many how to live in the midst of a fearful, hateful, and violent world while moving always deeper into the house of love." More reflections on this Icon and praying with it may be found at: <https://carfleo.com/2016/05/22/the-rublev-icon/>

