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### Mass this Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022

#### Today's Readings

*Isaiah 66:10-14* The human city is only at peace when it is also the city of God.

*Galatians 6:14-18* The Christian way of transformation is through the cross. This is how we are to be reborn.

*Luke 10:1-12. 17-20* The mission of Christians is never a case of going where we want to go, but of going where we are called to go.

#### Mass This Week

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:30pm	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00am	
	10:30am	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	7:30pm	Weekday
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am	Weekday
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am	Weekday
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am	Weekday

#### Intention

For Our Parishioners

Donato & Caterina Erario

Mary Ellen Clancy (RIP)

The Isle of Man

Churches Together in Royston

and District

Peace

Nicola & Margherita Cillo

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Roger Stables (RIP)

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

**Parish BBQ** We are holding a parish get together this weekend in the form of a BBQ on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, after the 10:30 Mass. This will be outside the Parish Hall on the school field. *The weather forecast looks good at the time of printing!* Burgers and hotdogs will be available for a small contribution, and we ask that you bring your own refreshments and something to sit on. Any outdoor games/sports equipment also encouraged!

**Synodal Pathway** The *National Synthesis* of responses to the worldwide listening process, which we engaged in locally last year and early this year, has been published. (See <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/national-synthesis/> ) Our bishops gathered together last week to reflect on what has been said. It is important that we follow through what we began here locally. Our *Parish Pastoral Council* will have a special meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> September both to consider what is being discerned nationally and to plan a local Parish Synod in the Autumn to foster communion, participation and mission in our town and villages. Please keep the synodal pathway in your prayers, by all means offer insights to our PPC but please be ready to participate directly in our parish synod.

**The Kanyike Project** Thank you so much for your generous support of the Kanyike Project sale last Sunday, not just your financial support, though of course that is important, but also for your interest and encouragement, which means a great deal to us all. As Fr Kakuba would say: **Mwebale! Thank you!**

**One-stop information for people in Herts**

<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](mailto: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.

**Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions for July**

**For the elderly** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 – LOOKING TO LISBON**

World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/> or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at [youth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcdow.org.uk). Please apply by 31 July 2022

Last week Pope Francis published an Apostolic Letter on "The Liturgical Formation of the People of God" *Desiderio desideravi*

[https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html)

This is indeed a "vast" theme, "fundamental for the life of the Church".

Over the next few weeks we shall consider some of the important issues that this letter highlights.

Pope Francis quotes his namesake St Francis of Assisi and allows *Il Poverello* to conclude his reflections:

Let everyone be struck with fear, let the whole world tremble, and let the heavens exult

when Christ, the Son of the living God, is present on the altar in the hands of a priest!

O wonderful loftiness and stupendous dignity!

O sublime humility! O humble sublimity!

The Lord of the universe, God and the Son of God, so humbles Himself that for our salvation

He hides Himself under an ordinary piece of bread!

Brothers, look at the humility of God, and pour out your hearts before Him!

Humble yourselves that you may be exalted by Him!

Hold back nothing of yourselves for yourselves,

that He Who gives Himself totally to you may receive you totally!