



PRECIOUS WOUNDS BULLETIN

The Five Precious Wounds Catholic Church,
Brentfield Road, Stonebridge, London NW10 8ER

Mass Times: Saturdays 6 pm; Sundays 10 am & 12:30pm

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10am.

Holy Hour: Fridays after Mass

Confessions: Fridays after Mass from 10:40 am to 11:20 am, Saturday 5:15pm - 5:45pm

Office open: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10.30am – 2.30pm

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Nigerian Friends meet Monthly on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 1 pm

Ghanaian Association meet Monthly on the last Sunday of the month at 1 pm

Filipino Association: Mass on the First Sunday of the month at 3 pm

NeoCatechumenal Way: Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm and Saturday evenings at 8pm in the hall

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (3RD JULY 2022)

TODAY'S MASS READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Ps 47: 10-11

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

Rejoice, Jerusalem,
be glad for her, all you who love her!
Rejoice, rejoice for her,
all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled,
from her consoling breast,
that you may savour with delight
her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:
Now towards her I send flowing
peace, like a river,
and like a stream in spate

the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried
and fondled in her lap.
Like a son comforted by his mother
will I comfort you.
And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice,
and your bones flourish like the grass.
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 65(66):1-7,16,20

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Second reading: Galatians 6:14-18
The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Jn15:15
Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12,17-20

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road.

'Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house.

'Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

Communion Antiphon: Ps 33:9

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.



When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE PARISH

This week's Mass intentions

Saturday 6.00pm - Shereen Sherman - Birthday

Sunday 10.00am - Kevin Carberry RIP

Sunday 12.30pm - Paul Glen Marshall - Anniversary

Monday 10.00am -

Tuesday 10.00am -

Wed 10.00am - Monica Solanki - Intentions

Friday 10.00am - Joseph Pires - Intentions

Last week's collection

Planned giving £387.45; Loose plate £356.17. Our parish relies entirely on your donations to pay our bills, so thank you for making a difference! Many are now switching to making a standing order with their banks to make their weekly contributions. For more information, please visit our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stonebridge/donate/> and follow the link to making a donation.

Facebook page

Our parish now has a Facebook page. Please search 'Five Precious Wounds Catholic Church, Stonebridge' in Facebook to find us; then please 'like' our page to receive updates.

Sunday Obligation

On 6th May, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales issued a statement concerning the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays, which was reinstated on 5th June. The full statement can be found at the Bishops' Conference website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/spring-plenary->

2022-resolution-returning-to-mass-at-pentecost/

Sick or housebound Please keep in your prayers our parishioners who are sick or housebound: Betty O'Reilly (Elizabeth), Eileen Dowd, Marcella Frawley.

Please give the names of any sick or housebound you would like mentioned in the newsletter to Fr Tony or Violet, our administrator.

Fr Tony will be unavailable from 4th-18th July. During this period there will be no Adoration/Confessions on Fridays, and no Confessions on Saturdays.

Fr John McCarthy

This week we welcome Fr John McCarthy, who will celebrate weekday Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Please note that on Monday there will be a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

Fr Kevin O'Shea

Next weekend we welcome Fr Kevin O'Shea, who will celebrate our Sunday Masses.

International Liberty Association

Today (3rd July) our organist Mary Banks will speak for a few moments after Mass about the International Liberty Association, a charity she supports which promotes human rights in Iran.

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. Please apply by 31 July 2022.

Parish Newsletter

As Fr Tony is unavailable for the next couple of weeks, we will only be publishing brief newsletters. Please keep a copy of today's newsletter for all the parish news.

Parish Festival - advance notice

A date for your diary: this year's parish festival will take place on the Solemnity of the Assumption, which falls on Sunday 14th August. More information to follow soon!

Gift Aid

If you have previously registered for Gift Aid, but your circumstances have changed and you are no longer a UK taxpayer, please inform Violet in the office. This is to avoid making an erroneous Gift Aid claim on your behalf.

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 cafod.org.uk/gapyear

Missio Red Box Holders

If any Red Box holders think their boxes need emptying, please bring them to church and give to Eileen O'Brein or hand in to Michelle in the Church Repository. Thank you.

Monthly devotions

First Saturday Devotion – Rosary Group: first Saturday of each month at 4.00pm in the parish hall.

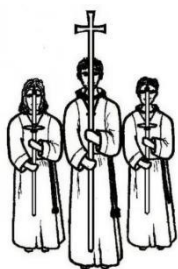
Divine Mercy Devotion: third Saturday of each month at 3.00pm in the parish hall.

Mass intentions

Arranging to have a Mass celebrated for someone's intentions, or for the repose of their soul, is a great act of faith and love. If you would like to book a Mass intention, please do so by phoning the parish during office hours (see above), by visiting the repository on Sunday mornings, or by taking a Mass intention envelope and putting it through the door or the presbytery.

Altar servers

We are once again able to recruit new and old servers for Mass. If you would like your child to serve at the Mass, please give your child's details to Deacon



Andrew after Mass. We expect a high standard from our servers. Children must wear black shoes and are expected to arrive 30 minutes before Mass begins to go through training each Sunday.

Hall bookings

Fr Tony writes: I have been asked on a number of occasions recently if the parish hall is available for private hire. Unfortunately the hall is only being used for parish functions at present. I apologise for any disappointment this may have caused.

Planned giving envelopes

Planned giving envelopes for the new financial year 2022-23 are ready for collection. They can be collected at the back of the Church after Mass. If you can remember your envelope number, it will be helpful while collecting your envelope box.

If anyone would like to contribute their offertory through planned giving envelopes, please let us know. We can provide you with the new envelopes.

Contactless Giving

DONA is a new Diocesan scheme to make your weekly giving to the parish (and any one-off giving) much easier. It is a debit/credit card contactless payment system. We have introduced DONA in the parish. You'll see the

machine on the left as you enter the main body of the church. Please do use it as you wish, especially if you choose to carry no cash. You can choose to gift-aid your donations if you are a UK taxpayer. Please note that DONA will also be available to make card payments in the repository.

Open House

There is no open house for next two weeks.

Tea and coffee after Mass

Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the 12.30pm Mass on Sundays and after all weekday Masses.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Nursery & Primary School – Admissions 2022-2023

I would like to extend a warm invite to all parents seeking a Nursery or Primary School place for September 2022. We are a small, unique one form entry school hidden within an oasis of green with pupils from Nursery to Year 6. Our pupils are a delight, with happy smiling faces and a true zest for learning. We have a wonderful team of dedicated, nurturing staff who understand the importance of guiding our children on their faith journey through the teachings Jesus Christ, and instilling the many fruits of the Holy Spirit including 'Love', 'Peace' and 'Kindness'. Within our inclusive and challenging curriculum, we aim to educate our children to the highest standards, and equip them with 21st Century skills in preparation for the next phase of their education and beyond. For further information, or if you would like to come and visit us, please contact our school office on 0208 961 5037.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

This word search is inspired by today's Gospel.
How many hidden words can you find?

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK



**“He loves, He hopes, He waits.
Our Lord prefers to wait Himself
for the sinner for years rather than
keep us waiting an instant” - St
Maria Goretti, whose feast day falls
this Wednesday.**

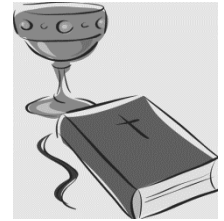
THIS WEEK'S LITURGY

SUNDAY 03RD JULY - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:10-14 'Towards Jerusalem I send flowing peace, like a river'

Galatians 6:14-18 'The marks on my body are those of Jesus'

Luke 10:1-12,17-20 'Your peace will rest on that man'



Monday 4th July - Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

Hosea 2:16,17-18,21-22 'I will betroth you to myself and you will come to know the name of the Lord'

Matthew 9:18-26 'Your faith has restored you to health'

Tuesday 5th July - Saint Antony Mary Zaccaria, Priest

Hosea 8:4-7,11-13 'They have sown the wind; they will reap the whirlwind'

Matthew 9:32-37 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few'

Wednesday 6th July - Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr

Hosea 10:1-3,7-8,12 'Seek integrity and reap a harvest of kindness'

Matthew 10:1-7 'Go to the lost sheep of the House of Israel'

Thursday 7th July

Hosea 11:1-4,8-9 'I am the Holy one in your midst and have no wish to destroy'

Matthew 10:7-15 'You received without charge: give without charge'

Friday 8th July

Hosea 14:2-10 'A call to conversion and promise of safety'

Matthew 10:16-23 'The Spirit of your Father will be speaking in you'

Saturday 9th July

Isaiah 6:1-8 'Isaiah's lips cleansed with a burning coal'

Matthew 10:24-33 'Everything now hidden will be made clear'