

NEWS & INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

WELCOME to all at Mass today—to anyone who is new or is on holiday at this time.

NEWSLETTER—we are in holiday mode so there is a reduced edition for all of August.

AUGUST MASS TIMES will be the same as throughout the rest of the year. There will be no music during the month at any of the Masses.

WORK HAS BEGUN ON THE SANCTUARY. This should last until mid September. Some people have asked for a preview “peak” which you can happily do, but please don’t go into the work area or walk on the newly laid floor. The area behind the temporary screen is out of bounds for Health and safety reasons. Please don’t go there unless you are required to visit the sacristy. Please try to use the toilets in the hall.

DURING THE HOLIDAY PERIOD gaps may appear in the rotas Readers, Welcomers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Please do look out to see what might be needed and try to fill in if required.

PARISH OFFICE—will be closed on some days during the summer. Please be patient!

DID YOU LOOSE YOUR HOUSE KEYS HERE ABOUT 2 WEEKS AGO? Please see Mgr. Jeremy to claim them.

DOES ANYONE HAVE A ROOM TO RENT for a young male in his 20’s from Slovenia coming to London to Work. He comes highly recommended. Speak to Mgr. Jeremy if you can help.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION Friday 27th September at 7.00pm

LEAVING PARTY TO SAY GOODBYE TO FR TONY on Friday 6th September, 7.00-9.00pm. Please bring some food to share—just finger buffet (i.e. nothing that needs a knife or fork).

FR JOHN, our new assistant priest will arrive for his first weekend on 7/8 September.

KSC PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM—led by Mgr Jeremy—on Saturday 28th September. Tickets are £35 each and includes morning coffee and a 2 course carvery meal. Please contact parish office to book by phone or email.

THIS WEEK: the Sanctuary Lamp is sponsored in Memory of Mick Kelly and Claire Curran RIP (nee Kelly). The lamp at the altar of our Lady of Walsingham is sponsored for the Special Intentions of Raz.

SANCTUARY LAMPS are still available first two weeks of September.

ROSARY AT HOME: this week the statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the home of LINDA CASTILLO.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY MASS: 6.15pm (Saturday Vigil), 8.30am, 9.45am (Family) & 11.15am (Solemn), 5.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.15pm - 6.00pm. *and any time by appointment.*

DIVINE MERCY: Monday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

<i>Sun 18 August</i>	20th OF THE YEAR
6.15pm (<i>Vigil</i>)	Brendan Keaveney RIP
8.30am	PRO POPULO
9.45am	Anthony Hull RIP (4th Ann)
11.15am	Eric Joseph and Pearly Agnes Hendrick RIP
5.30pm	Francisco Sebastien Barretto RIP

Mon 19 August	S. John Eudes
9.30am	Ruth Cleary RIP

Tues 20 August	S. Bernard
9.30am	Robert Longuet RIP

Weds 21 August	S. Pius X
9.30am	Private Intention

Thurs 22 August	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9.30am	Vincent Roche RIP

Fri 23 August	S. Rose of Lima
9.30am	Yolande Dias RIP

Sat 24 August	S. BARTHOLOMEW
9.30am	Anne Thornton RIP

<i>Sun 25 August</i>	21st OF THE YEAR
6.15pm (<i>Vigil</i>)	PRO POPULO
8.30am	Farrell Valmond RIP (3rd Ann)
9.45am	Yolande Dias RIP
11.15am	James Walsh RIP (1st Ann)
5.30pm	Bid Doody RIP



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The Catholic Parish of St George, Sudbury

AUGUST HOLIDAY EDITION

Sunday 18th August 2019 TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Welcome to all at Mass today, especially to any visitors especially those who are here for the first time. Please take this sheet home with you which will tell you about this week’s celebration and the activities during the week and also to remind you of our Liturgy today.

TODAY’S MASS

“Do not lose sight of Jesus”

The path to heaven is like a race and we must keep our eyes on Jesus our leader. The saints too are praying for us so that we will win. With so many cheering us on to the finish how can we lose? We must never give up even when the going is hardest. We are bound to suffer for our faith just as Jeremiah the prophet did but the Lord will deliver us.



First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

It takes great courage to tell people the truth about themselves when they do not want to hear it. That was what the prophets, like Jeremiah in today’s reading, had to do over and over again. Jeremiah tried to get the people of Judah to reform their lives. He warned them that they would be defeated by the Babylonians and that Jerusalem would be destroyed. But many refused to listen to him, and the king of Judah decided to silence God’s messenger. Jeremiah’s enemies left him in a water storage tank to die. Later a compassionate foreigner convinced the king to let the prophet go.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Why are prophets willing to suffer for proclaiming God’s word? The author of the second reading gives us an excellent answer to that question as he explains why Jesus was willing to die for us: “For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross.” When we run the race of faith, we do not face the hurdles alone. Jesus is there to cheer us on, along with a great crowd of saints who have already finished the race.

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Jesus wants his followers to know the truth. Jesus tells us that, if we are truly living as Christians, sometimes we will experience trouble and division. We cannot experience the peace of Christ until we turn away from sin and let God reign in our lives. Sometimes when people chose to do God’s will, those they love turn against them. This can happen when people do not fully understand or accept the message of Jesus. This conflict with loved ones is what Jesus speaks of today. Remember that Jesus himself suffered rejection.

TODAY'S MASS

Entrance Antiphon: *Ps 83: 10-11*

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Collect

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First reading: *Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10*

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah

and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps. 39(40):2-4,18*

Response: *Lord, come to my aid!*

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. *R/.*
2. He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. *R/.*
3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear

and shall trust in the Lord. *R/.*

4. As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me.

You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay. *R/.*

Second reading: *Hebrews 12:1-4*

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and *from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne.* Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

Gospel Acclamation: *cf. Ac16:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel: *Luke 12:49-53*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have

come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Receive our oblation, O Lord, by which is brought about a glorious exchange, that, by offering what you have given, we may merit to receive your very self. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: *Ps 129: 7*

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

Prayer after Communion

Made partakers of Christ through these Sacraments, we humbly implore your mercy, Lord, that, conformed to his image on earth, we may merit also to be his coheirs in heaven. Who lives and