



Sunday 21st June 2020 Volume 1, Issue 13 'On Line'

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Welcome to our 'On Line' Newsletter during this difficult time for all of us. It should be easier to read and to download and print if you so wish. Please use the readings and reflection as part of your spiritual Communion and with any streamlining Masses in which you may be watching and participating.

Sunday cycle
Readings Year A

Weekday Readings
Year 2 Week 12

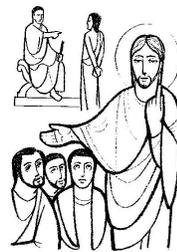
Divine Office
Week 4

For children,
download a weekly sheet:
<http://www.sdc.me.uk/sundayliturgy/>

THIS WEEK

- Sun 21 June 12th OF THE YEAR**
9.30am For the People of the parish
Silvera Lopes Ints
- Mon 22 June Ss. JOHN FISHER & THOMAS MORE**
9.30am Earley Mae & Marleme Kempt
RIP
Claire Ruane O'Donnell
- Tues 23 June feria**
Johny Fox RIP
Tim Kavanagh RIP
- Weds 24 June THE NATIVITY OF S.JOHN THE BAPTIST**
9.30am J. J. Murphy
- Thurs 25 June feria**
9.30am Mary O'Connell RIP
- Fri 26 June feria**
9.30am Maureen King RIP
John Dalaney RIP
- Sat 27 June S. John Southworth**
9.30am Shirley Flack RIP
Thanksgiving –Turnbull Family
- Sun 28 June 13th OF THE YEAR**
9.30am For the People of the parish
Tom Kelly RIP

TODAY'S MASS



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering cannot be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah expresses confidence that the Lord will protect him.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 69:8-10,14,17,33-35

God responds to the prayers of those in need.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15

Sin came into the world through one person; so salvation came through one person for many.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Sin is energy in the wrong channel"

St Augustine of Hippo

(see 2nd Reading)

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Michael Fahey, Anne Hull, Catherine Kevill, Margaret O'Shea, Edith Geissler, Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, John and Angela McCarthy, Germaine Duffner, Patrick McDonagh, Paul Turnbull, Tom Fernandes.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Louisa Robison

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Rita Hession

WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

- ALL WHO WORK IN THE NHS AT THIS TIME, DOCTOR NURSES & ALL SUPPORT STAFF
- FOR ALL WHO HAVE LOTS WORK & NOW LOOKING FOR NEW EMPLOYMENT
- FOR RACIAL HARMONY
- FOR OUR CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY THOSE TRYING TO LEARN FROM AT HOME
- FOR ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL & IT'S HEADTEACHER, ALL TEACHERS AND ALL CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS AND ALL OTHER ANCILLARY WORKERS
- FOR OUR PARISH AND IT'S RENEWAL AFTER THIS DIFFICULT TIME
- FOR THE RESIDENTS OF OUR CARE HOMES AND ALL WHO WORK THERE.

INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR JUNE

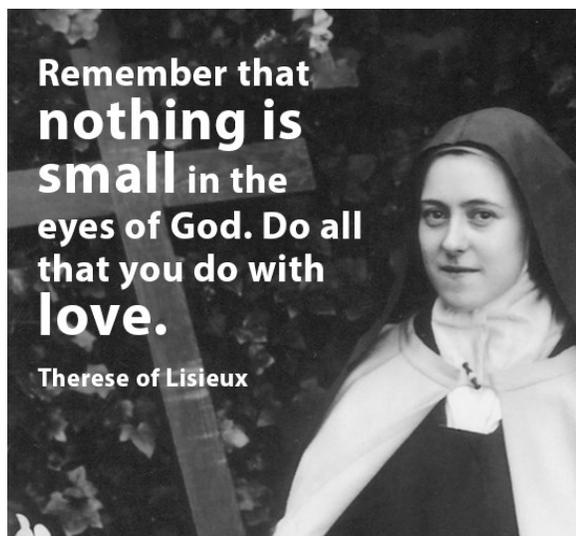
The Way of the Heart: We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

SANCTUARY LAMP

Has been sponsored this week in Memory of Jimmy Bonner RIP

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

has been sponsored this week for intentions of Mr & Mrs Ansalmar



Remember that
nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with **love.**

Therese of Lisieux

What does fear have to do with the kingdom of God? Fear is a powerful force. It can lead us to panic and flight or it can spur us to faith and action. The fear of God is the antidote to the fear of losing one's life. I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. O fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no want! Come, O sons, listen to me, I will teach you the fear of the Lord. (Psalm 34:4,9,11)

What is godly fear? It is reverence for the One who made us in love and who sustains us in mercy and kindness. The greatest injury or loss which we can experience is not physical but spiritual - the loss of one's heart, mind, and soul to the power of hell. A healthy fear of God leads to spiritual maturity, wisdom and right judgment and it frees us from the tyranny of cowardly fear and sinful pride that refuses to do what is right, good, and just - especially in the face of opposition and evil. Do you trust in the power of God's love and truth that can conquer every fear and form of evil and wrongdoing? Jesus willingly embraced the cross for our sake to atone for our sins and to free us from slavery to sin, Satan, and death. Do you believe in the power of his cross and victory over death, despair, and sin?

When Jesus proclaimed the kingdom of God he met opposition and hostility from those who refused to believe in him. He tells his disciples that they must expect the same treatment if they are to live and to proclaim the reign of God. There is both a warning and a privilege in his statement. Just as Jesus had to carry his cross, so the disciples must carry their cross and not try to evade it. To suffer for the faith is to share in the work of Christ. As one hymn states: 'Lift high the Cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod'. The Holy Spirit gives us power and grace to live as disciples of Jesus Christ. Do you trust in God's grace to carry your cross for Jesus' sake?

NEWS UPDATE



STAY ALERT
CONTROL
THE VIRUS
SAVE LIVES

AT LONG LAST THE CHURCH IS OPEN, but only for private prayer (hopefully soon for Mass, but we do not yet know when that will be). You can visit each day, but only between **10.15am—12 noon**. We look forward to seeing you. Please know that when you do come it is important to follow the social distancing and hygiene rules. If you are unsure of what is required, one of stewards will explain all this to you.

EVERY FRIDAY whilst the church is open there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for your prayer and Adoration.

THANK YOU to all who have volunteered as stewards to enable us to keep the church open for two hours each day. Without your help this would all be impossible. If you are under 70 and with no underlying health conditions and would like to help as part of our stewarding team please get in touch with Fr Jeremy at:

jeremyfairhead@rcdow.org.uk

HALL HIRE One or two people are asking if the parish Centre will reopen soon. Once again there is no advice at present other than to keep them locked. It would be strange to open them before the church itself! We'll keep you informed as things progress.

YOU CAN FIND POSSIBILITIES FOR JOINING MASS LIVE-STREAMING

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/sudbury/pray-at-home/>

MASS INTENTIONS Although the church building has to remain closed for public Masses, Mass is still being offered each day in our church. As is the case in normal circumstances, requests can still be made for the Mass to be offered for a particular intention, (which may be for a living or deceased person). To be able to let someone

know that Mass is being offered for them, or perhaps for a sick or departed family member, is a lovely spiritual gift, and a powerful way of intercession. Please remember that each Mass can only be offered for one intention. One Sunday Mass is always offered for the intention of all the people of the parish. It is customary to make an offering when requesting a Mass intention. This has always been a contribution to the support of the priests of the particular parish where the Mass is being said. The Diocese of Westminster suggests the figure of £10 as a guideline, but it is of course entirely the free choice of the donor to decide this. In the present period when the parish office is closed, you can still make your requests for Mass intentions. It is possible also to obtain a card to let someone know Mass is being said for them or one of their family members. During this period the best is to send to us an SAE either through the presbytery post box or via Royal Mail with details of the Mass and if you require a card and we will send one back to you. This is also the chance also to make your offering.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you to all have been giving during this time via Direct Debit. It has made all the difference. Like every business we have been financially challenged during the lockdown period and maybe beyond. Those who usually give through the envelope scheme should have received your new annual envelopes in the post. If you have been keeping them to return, this is a good moment now that the church is open and there is a facility for you to give them every day. Thank you again to all who have been doing this for St. George's. If after this time you would prefer to use Direct Debit you will need to let us know in the parish office and we can send out the relevant form. Also, if you have a Gift Aid with the parish and are no longer paying tax it is your responsibility to inform the parish office. Lastly, if you have been giving regularly, but now find yourself unable to do so because you may now be out of work, please don't worry or feel obligated. The Lord understands and knows that our families and those realities come first.

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES & CONFIRMATION POSTPONED: Already because of the Coronavirus lockdown, our Adult sacramental preparation has drawn to a temporary halt. Young Adults Confirmations, which were due to take place by now, have had to be indefinitely postponed. The same is true of

our children's First Communions, All the First Communion dates and that of the Confirmation will need to be rearranged in due course. Once the prohibition on churches holding services is lifted, and parish activities with young adults and children are allowed to take place (all of which may be a very gradual process) we shall be able with our catechists to arrange rehearsals, and then the First Communion Masses and Sacrament of Confirmation. We will contact all families when we are in a position to do so: please therefore wait to hear from us! Sorry we can do more than this at the moment as our hands are tied. We realise all the disappointments and frustrations but let's pray that a solution will swiftly be found.

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU GO INTO HOSPITAL?

In light of strict data protection rules it is essential that on entering hospital you indicate that your details or those of your relative are to be passed to the Roman Catholic chaplain. Also state that you or your relative would like the Roman Catholic chaplain to visit you. Chaplains visit the wards during the week and provide an on-call service in case of emergencies.

JUNE IS THE MONTH OF DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART

The origin of this devotion is the piercing of Jesus' side by the soldier's lance after his death, from which flowed blood and water, as symbols of his love to the uttermost, and of the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist through which we experience that love. There are four 'movements' of our prayer to the Heart of Jesus: **Adoration** – of him who always loved his own in the world, and showed the depth of that love by giving himself up to death for us, and making that gift available to us in the Eucharist. **Reparation** – for our sins which were the ultimate cause of his passion. **Consecration** – of our lives and Christian discipleship to his glory and his service. (The Diocese of Westminster was consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on 17th June 1873.) **Imitation** in our own lives of the virtues of Jesus, who invited the overburdened to come to him and to 'learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart.' (Matthew 11:30)

Let us pray: *The designs of his Heart are from age to age, to rescue their souls from death Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we who glory in the Heart of your beloved Son and recall the wonders of his love for us, may be made worthy to receive an overflowing measure of grace from that fount of heavenly gifts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

Entrance Antiphon: *Cf. Ps 27: 8-9*

The Lord is the strength of his people,
a saving refuge for the one he has anointed.
Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage,
and govern them for ever.

Collect

Grant, O Lord,
that we may always revere and love your holy name,
for you never deprive of your guidance
those you set firm on the foundation of your love.
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 20:10-13*

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,
“Terror from every side!”
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!
All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,
‘Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him and take our revenge!’
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered,
confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, O Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
who scrutinise the loins and heart,
let me see the vengeance you will take on them,
for I have committed my cause to you.
Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord,
for he has delivered the soul of the needy
from the hands of evil men.

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps. 68(69):8-10,14,17,33-35*

R/. In your great love, answer me, O Lord.

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts,
that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,
an alien to my own mother’s sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me. *R/.*

2. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. *R/.*

3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,
the sea and all its living creatures. *R/.*

Second reading: *Romans 5:12-15*

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of ‘law-breaking’, yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man’s fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

Gospel Acclamation: *Jn1:14,12*

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Word was made flesh and lived among us:
to all who did accept him*

he gave power to become children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew 10:26-33*

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: ‘Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the housetops.

‘Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

‘So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.’

Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation and praise
and grant that, cleansed by its action,
we may make offering of a heart pleasing to you.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: *Ps 144: 15*

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.

Prayer after Communion

Renewed and nourished
by the Sacred Body and Precious Blood of your Son,
we ask of your mercy, O Lord,
that what we celebrate with constant devotion
may be our sure pledge of redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.