ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUDBURY

Sunday 26th June 2022

THIRTEEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Welcome to all at mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website. We ask God's blessing on you and your loved ones this week and know that we pray for you all each day.

Sunday Cycle
Readings Year C

Weekday Readings *Ordinary Time week 13* Year 2

Divine Office Week 1 For children, download a weekly sheet: http://www.sdc.me.uk sundayliturgy/

THIS WEEK

Sun 26 June
6.15pm
Fr Anthony Meredith RIP
8.30am
Margaretha Leischner RIP
9.45am
Baptiste Fernandes Ints.
11.15am
Father Daniel Daley (First Mass)
5.30pm
THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Mon 27 June S. John Southworth 9.30am Eamon Kelly RIP

Tues 28 June S. Irenaeus 9.30am Tom Kelly RIP

Weds 29 June Ss. PETER & PAUL, apostles
9.30am Paul Turnbull RIP
8.00pm Carol Watson RIP

Thurs 30 June ferla

9.30am Crescencia Fernandes RIP

Fri 1 July
9.30am

DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL
Bridget Dunne RIP

Sat 2 July9.30am **Of Our Lady**Betty Dunne RIP

Sun 3 July 14th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
6.15pm Fr Anthony Meredith RIP
8.30am Neil, Paddy & Sheila Cummins RIP

9.45am Sr gertrute Tirant RIP 11.15am Eric Duffner RIP

5.30pm THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

TODAY'S MASS



Jesus seems harsh in today's Gospel reading, but he is only asking of his disciples what he asks of himself. Jesus' unconditional commitment to God's saving work will demand of him his life. He knows this, but the disciples do not understand. Jesus does not want anyone to rush into discipleship, because the demands of discipleship require everyone considering it to be aware of the cost, make Jesus and his mis-

sion central to his life, and then go forward without looking back.

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16b,19-21 Elijah anoints Elisha as his successor.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11

I set the Lord ever before me.

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1,13-18

Christ has set us free.

Gospel Reading: Luke 9:51-62

Jesus resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"He who desires nothing but God is rich and happy". St. Alphonsus Liguori

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

DAILY MASS TIMES

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. **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Friday 9.00-9.30am,

Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.15pm - 6.00pm. *and*

any time by appointment.

DIVINE MERCY: Tuesday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, Noel Gill, Tom Fernandes, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, SMR, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John, Rowland Watts Catherine Corcoran, Trezel Dias- Shaun Scoon and Patrick Fernando

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Sophia Ivy Welch

RECENTLY DEPARTED: *Radford Caspersz, Trevor Cumber-*

batch

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Paul Turnbull (2nd), Crescensia Fernandes, Tom Kelly, Fr. Anthony Meredith SJ

SANCTUARY LAMP

Jimmy Bonner RIP

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Errol & Melissa (Thanksgiving)

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR July: 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.



Are you surprised to see two of Jesus' disciples praying for the destruction of a Samaritan village? The Jews and Samaritans had been divided for centuries. Jewish pilgrims who passed through Samaritan territory were often treated badly and even assaulted. Jesus did the unthinkable for a Jew. He not only decided to travel through Samaritan territory at personal risk, but he also asked for hospitality in one of their villages!

Jesus' offer of friendship was rebuffed. Is there any wonder that the disciples were indignant and felt justified in wanting to see retribution done to this village? Wouldn't you respond the same way? Jesus, however, rebukes his disciples for their lack of toleration. Jesus had "set his face toward Jerusalem" to die on a cross that Jew, Samaritan and Gentile might be reconciled with God and be united as one people in Christ.

Tolerance is a much needed virtue today. But aren't we often tolerant for the wrong thing or for the wrong motive? Christian love seeks the highest good of both one's neighbour and one's enemy. When Abraham Lincoln was criticized for his courtesy and tolerance towards his enemies during the American Civil War, he responded: "Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?" How do you treat those who cross you and cause you trouble? Do you seek their good rather than their harm?

Are you ready to follow the Lord Jesus wherever he may lead you? With the call the Lord gives the grace to respond and the strength to follow all the way to the end. Why does Jesus issue a challenge with the call? Jesus was utterly honest in telling people what it would cost to follow him. When a would-be disciple approached Jesus and said he was ready to follow, Jesus told him it would require sacrifice - the sacrifice of certain creaturely comforts. Jesus appealed to this man's heart and told him to detach himself from whatever might hold him back. Spiritual detachment is a necessary step for following the Lord. It frees us to give ourselves without reserve to the Lord and his service. While many of us may not need to give up the comfort of our own home and bed to follow Jesus, we, nonetheless, must be willing to part with anything that might stand in the way of doing God's will.

Another would-be disciple said he would follow as soon as he had buried his father. What he meant by this expression was that he felt the need to return to his home to take care of his father through old age until he died. The third had no obligation to return home, but simply wanted to go back and say good-bye. Jesus surprised these would-be disciples with the stark truth that nothing should hinder us from following the Lord. Was Jesus being harsh and rude to his would-be followers? Not really. We are free to decide whether we will take the path which Jesus offers. But if we choose to go, then the Lord wants us to count the cost and choose for it freely.

NEWS UPDATE



THE FIRST MASS SUNDAY 26th JUNE at 11.15am OF FATHER **DANIEL DALEY**

Congratulations to Fr Dan on his ordination. Thanks to all who have contributed to a gift for him and please sign his card. If you are here for the First Mass do stay on for lunch. (and actually if you were at Mass earlier—or might be later please come and join in the festivities-no tickets needed).

A huge thank you to those who have helped prepare everything food, decorations, setting up etc and hopefully will do the clearing

Thank to those who have cleaned and decorated the church-it looks splendid.

FINALLY, Please pray for Dan as he prepares to take this hugely important step in his life. He'll be going to be assistant priest in Chiswick.

Please pray for future vocations we need them!!

WELCOME to all at Mass today and a big welcome back if you have not been to Mass for a while due to the Covid restrictions.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY WORKSHEETS available again this weekend and are at the back of the church where you pick up the weekly sheet together with a basket of crayons (Please make sure you put these back neat and tidy. They are in two age groups: 3-6 & 7-12.

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE leaflets are available as you enter church. Please use them individually and as a family.

FEAST OF SS.PETER & PAUL falls this week on Wednesday 29th June. As a Holy Day of Obligation (ie when we are meant to come to Mass), Masses will be said at 9.30am & 8.00pm.

SVP: Thanks to all those who helped (and ate) for the fundraising day last week.

COMINGS AND GOINGS: It has been announced by the Cardinal that Fr Julio will be leaving us at the end of this summer. He will be going to be assistant priest in Hanwell. In Communion whilst reconnecting with our own

his place we have a new priest (He was ordained with Dan Daley on 25th June). His name is Michael Guthrie. We wish Fr Julio well and thank him for his ministry here and look forward to welcoming Fr. Mike. More on these moves later.

ROSARY AT HOME - If you would be interested in becoming part of the 'Rosary at Home' initiative, where a statue of Our Lady of Fatima is brought to your home for a period as you say the Rosary each day, please fill-in your details on the clipboard in the church porch.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - We are seeking Catechists to help with our First Holy Communion from 2022-23. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk. Enrolment Forms for next year's Programme will be available at the Parish from Sunday 17th July.

CONFIRMATION - Thank you to Parents/ Carers & Candidates for their feedback. We shall be contacting the Parents/Carers of those Candidates who have shown an interest in helping with ministries at the Parish soon to discern how best to take this forward. Details of Registration on next year's Confirmation Programme will be made available in the Autumn Term.

WORLD YOUTH DAY - Westminster Youth Ministry is offering a 50% discount on the cost of those attending the World Youth Day pligrimage for those joining their Youth Leadership Training scheme. For full details please visit https://dowym.com/programmes/worldyouth-day-leadership-training/.

CALLING NEW READERS - Might you consider reading at one of the Sunday Masses? This ministry offers an opportunity both to reflect a little more attentively on the Word of God whilst also serving the community at Mass. The commitment is just once a month. There are some gaps in our regular rota that we are keen to fill a.s.a.p. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk, for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team. Thank you.

CALLING NEW FHC CATECHISTS - Might you consider helping with our First Holy Communion Programme? This ministry offers an opportunity to help the children joyfully prepare for their First Confession & First Holy

faith. Sessions take place on Tuesday evenings from 7-8pm from September & May. If you might consider helping with the new Programme, beginning in September, please contact Peter, our Catechetical Coordinator, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk or speak to one of the Parish Team for further information.

THE OVER 60's CLUB Lots of people and great fun too! Why not join them? All over 60's welcome-just turn up on Tuesday in the café/ Bar at 1.00pm. Everyone welcome—and not iust Catholics!

THE PARISH OFFICE will be open for booking Masses etc every Thursday and Friday after 10.00am-3.00pm.

SPONSORING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP & THE LAMP AT OUR LADY OF WALSING-**HAM** is a lovely thing to do for a departed loved one or a particular intention. There are some possibilities in the month of April. Please contact the office.

REPOSITORY: Volunteers urgently required to assist in the Repository after all Masses. If you are able to help please contact Imelda on 07982683664.

CHURCH CLEANING: - Church cleaning takes place on Mondays after the 9.30am Mass. All are welcome! Thank you for all who are already helping out.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE DIOCESE: for details go to: https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT BUCHANAN COURT - Buchanan Court are looking for some new staff - Registered Nurses, Care Assistants, Kitchen Assistant & Housekeeping Staff. Students, who are only available Part-Time, are also welcome to apply. If you are interested, please contact Rohan Mathew at rohan.mathew@careuk.com.

THE UNIVERSE:: Parishioners wishing to view the online version of The Universe can do so by subscribing t o http:// www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk

A WORD ABOUT GIVING IN THE CHURCH: If you have a gift aid in place please let us know if you have ceased to pay tax. It is important we know this and it is your duty to tell us.



SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 46: 2

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

Collect

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First reading: 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21

The Lord said to Elijah, 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15(16):1-2,5,7-11

O Lord, It is you who are my portion.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.'

O Lord, It is you who are my portion.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

O Lord, It is you who are my portion.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay.

O Lord, It is you who are my portion.

You will show me the path of life. the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever.

O Lord, It is you who are my portion.

Second reading: *Galatians 5:1,13-18*

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will we may bear fruit that lasts for ever. provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in Through Christ our Lord.

works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or vou will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

Gospel Acclamation

Allelula, allelula! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Allelula!

Gospel: *Luke 9:51-62*

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lav his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me', replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; vour duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say goodbye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Prayer over the Offerings

O God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. **Through Christ our Lord.**

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 102: 1 Bless the Lord, 0 my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

Prayer after Communion

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity,