## ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUDBURY

## Sunday 14th August 2022

## THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

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 20* Year 2

Divine Office Week 4 For children, download a weekly sheet: http://www.sdc.me.uk sundayliturgy/

## **THIS WEEK**

Sun 14 Aug	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED
	VIRGIN MARY

6.15pm Betty Quigley RIP

8.30am THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
9.45am Baptiste Fernandes Ints.
11.15am Mark Burton RIP

5.30pm Mary Grace Perera RIP

Mon 15 Aug feria

9.30am Kitty O'Mahoney Ins.

**Tues 16 Aug**9.30am **S.Stephen of Hungary**Josie Regan RIP

Weds 17 Aug ferla

9.30am Paddy O'Donnell RIP

Thurs 18 Aug feria

9.30am Anthony Fahey

Fri 19 Aug S. Bernard 9.30am World Peace

Sat 20 Aug Of Our Lady

9.30am Margaret(Peggy) Williams

Sun 21 Aug 6.15pm THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 8.30am Marmerto M. De Jesus RIP 9.45am Alfonso Ledo RIP

11.15am Gabby Henry RIP
5.30pm Bernard Welikala RIP

## **TODAY'S MASS**



Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.

First Reading Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

The sign of God's salvation will be a woman clothed with the sun.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 45:10-12,16* The queen takes her place next to God.

**Second Reading** *1 Corinthians* 15:20-27

Christ has redeemed Adam's sin.

Gospel Reading Luke 1:39-56

Mary greets Elizabeth and sings God's praise.

# **SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"Love our Lady. And she will obtain abundant grace to help you conquer in your daily struggle." Saint Josemaria Escriva

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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, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, SMR, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John, Rowland Watts Catherine Corcoran, Shaun Scoon and Patrick Fernando

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** *Rhea Eve Carey* 

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Thomas Fernandes.

**ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Mark Burton** 

### **BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP**

In memory of Evelyn Taylor RIP

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM
In memory of James & Mary Griffin RIP

# POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.



"The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory"

Pope Pius XII | Munificentissimus Deus

www.LiturgicalInstitute.org

How strong is your hope in the promises of God? Mary is a model of faith and hope for us. And she is among "the first-fruits" of "all those who belong to Jesus" and who share in his triumph (1 Corinthians15:20-24). There is a venerable tradition dating back to the early church which marks Mary's "falling asleep" (called the Feast of Dormition in many Eastern churches) and her heavenly birthday when she was received into heaven. Her reception into heaven is seen as a sign to all believing Christians of the promise Jesus made that we too would be received into paradise. At the last supper Jesus told his disciples that he would prepare a place for them in his Father's house. "And when I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also" (John 14:3).

What enabled Mary to grow in faith and to persevere in hope in the face of obstacles and trials? The Gospel of Luke reveals the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in Mary's life. When Elizabeth and Mary greeted one another they were filled with the Holy Spirit and with a joyful anticipation of the fulfilment of God's promise to give a Saviour. John the Baptist, even before the birth of the Messiah, pointed to his coming and leapt for joy in the womb of his mother as the Holy Spirit revealed to him the presence of the Anointed King in the womb of Mary.

The Holy Spirit is God's gift to us to enable us to know and experience the indwelling presence of God and the power of his kingdom. The Holy Spirit is the way in which God reigns within each of us. Mary accepted her mission with uncompromising faith and obedience. She acted with unwavering trust and faith because she believed that God would fulfil the word he had spoken. Her great hymn of praise echoes the song of Hannah (see 1 Samuel 2:1-10) and proclaims the favour of the Lord: God exalts the lowly and he fills the hungry.

The Holy Spirit is ever ready to renew your faith and hope in God's promises and to make you strong in love for God and your neighbour. Do you live in the joy and confidence of God's indwelling presence with you through his Holy Spirit?

# **NEWS UPDATE**



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

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY WORKSHEETS Are 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

CHANGES: We'll be saying goodbye to Fr Julio in a few weeks. His last weekend will be September 4th. There will be cakes and pastries in the bar after the 9.45am & 11.15am Mass to help us say goodbye and thank you. We'll be welcoming Fr Mike on the next weekend, Sunday 11th September.

MUSIC at all the Masses have stopped now for all of August and resume in September. Thank you to our choirs and musicians for enhancing our worship and for your commitment. Come September we will looking hard for people to help with our singing and music. Over the summer have a good think whether you can help in this way.

THANK YOU Fr DAN for helping out during last week and welcome back to Fr Antonio Pineda helping this weekend. Fr Julio is on holiday.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Many thanks to those who have come forward offering to help with the FHC Programme next year. Those wishing to enrol on next year's Preparation Programme, beginning in September, should note that Enrolment Forms are now available at the back of church. Please note that to enrol you will need to be seen to regularly attend Mass at our Parish in the months preceding the start of our Parish Programme & also obtain a copy of your child's **Baptism Certificate**.

**CONFIRMATION** - We are considering starting a Post-Confirmation 'Prayer & Pizza' group in the Autumn. This would offer the young people, who have recently received the gifts of the Holy Spirit at Confirmation, the opportunity to continue to meet together once a month on a Thursday evening to share a little in the light of faith. To register your interest please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk. Details of Registration on 2023's Confirmation Programme will be published in the Newsletter later this year.

READING AT 5.30PM MASS - Might you consider reading at the Sunday Evening Mass? This ministry offers the opportunity 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 remain keen to fill. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at <a href="mailto:peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk">peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk</a>, for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team.

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA have recently presented some certificates and prizes to pupils from St George's School who took part in the KSC Easter painting and "Pray for our earth" prayer competitions. Two of the entries were then chosen by the provincial judges (Westminster West) for submission to the KSC Head Office for the national judg-Special congratulations to Lena Kostuj (Easter Painting) and Meabh Elton (Prayer) for this achievement. Thank you to all who entered and to Ms. Tuohy, from St George's School.

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.

SVP (Society of St Vincent de Paul): Here is a date for your diary! St George's SVP Group are organising a Quiz Night on Saturday 17th September 2022 at 7.15pm in the Church Hall. Tickets are £5 a head or £20 for a table of 4 people. All money raised will go towards the work that the SVP do to support those in need in the Parish. To book a table, email frain.home@gmail.com or call Theresa 07753654154. Over 16s only.

**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 <a href="https://dowym.com/">https://dowym.com/</a> programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-

THE OVER 60's CLUB is now closed down for the summer. We look forward to seeing you on 6th September.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed for the month of August. Mass intentions can be booked via email or through posting an envelope through the presbytery letter box.

SPONSORING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP & THE LAMP AT OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM is a lovely thing to do for a departed loved one or a . particular intention. There are some possibilities in the coming months. 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

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA: JOB OPPORTUNITIES **ACROSS THE DIOCESE:** 

for details go to: https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/

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SIGNING FORMS ETC. Please always make an appointment if you want school forms, passport forms, pension forms countersigned/witnessed by the clergy. The same if you want one of the clergy to act as a referee. Please don't just turn up at the door expecting it to be done immediately. Please also know if you want an English passport witnessed or naturalisation form we must have known you for a minimum of 3 years.

AS WE MOVE TOWARDS THE HOLIDAY SEASON: If you are a Reader, Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Counter, Musician, Cleaner or help out in any way and are going away, please arrange cover for your duties. This will help us enormously with the smooth running of the Masses and for all that we do together. Thank you in advance.

**DIOCESAN AND SCHOOL VACANCIES** please see folder in porch or School/diocesan website.

FOLDERS in the church porch: look for pilgrimages & retreats, job opportunities, schools & colleges information.

THE SACRED HEART LANGUAGE COLLEGE. Wealdstone, is currently advertising for a Pastoral Support Officer to work within the Student Services Department from September 2022. Please see website for details.



ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage across England. Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in a church or cathedral near



them. The relics will be in the Diocese of Westminster for the following dates: - St Thomas of Canterbury. Fulham: 3rd September. 30th October - 1 st November - Westminster Cathedral: 3rd - 5 th September - Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hayes: 5th - 6 th September - St Mary's University, Twickenham: 6th September - St John Fisher, Shepperton: 6th - 7 th September - St Joseph's, Stevenage: 17th - 18th October - Our Lady of Willesden, Willesden: 28th -30th October For full details of the tour, visit www.stbernadette.org.uk



# **SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS**

#### Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Rev 12: 1

A great sign appeared in heaven:

a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

#### **Collect**

Almighty ever-living God,

who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory,

grant, we pray,

that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory.

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: *Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10*

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Then came flashes of lightning, peals of thunder and an earthquake, and violent hail.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready, for her to be looked after in the twelve hundred and sixty days.

Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ, now that the persecutor, who accused our brothers day and night before our God, has been brought down.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 44:10-12,16

### R/. On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
 On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
 Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
 forget your own people and your father's house. R/.

2. So will the king desire your beauty:
He is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king. R/.

### Second reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Allelula, allelulal Mary has been taken up to heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Allelulal

## Gospel: *Luke 1:39-56*

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.
Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me.
Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age

for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart.

He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy – according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

#### **Prayer over the Offerings**

May this oblation, our tribute of homage, rise up to you, O Lord, and, through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, whom you assumed into heaven, may our hearts, aflame with the fire of love, constantly long for you.

Through Christ our Lord.

#### Communion Antiphon: Lk 1: 48-49

All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Having received the Sacrament of salvation, we ask you to grant, O Lord, that, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whom you assumed into heaven, we may be brought to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.