

SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Est 4: 17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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: *Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry Oppression! in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said, Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness. The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalms 94*

R/. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the God who saves us. Let us come before him giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. *R/.*

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people that belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. *R/.*

3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work. *R/.*

Second Reading: *2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14*

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God. Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us. The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel: *Luke 17:5-10*

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. 'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty." '

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, Graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon *Lam 3: 25*

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. Through Christ our Lord.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUDBURY

Sunday 2nd October 2022

THE TWENTY SEVENTH 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 27 Year 2

Divine Office Week 3

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

THIS WEEK

Sun 2 Oct
6.15pm
8.30am
9.45am
11.15am
5.30pm

27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
Kitty Sugrue RIP
Peter Golden Jnr RIP
Brendan Byrne RIP
Richard O'Dwyer RIP
THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Mon 3 Oct
9.30am

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Mary Aservatham

Tues 4 Oct
9.30am

S. Francis of Assisi
Peter Golden Jnr. RIP

Weds 5 Oct
9.30am

S. Faustina Kowalska
Angela Griffin Ints.

Thurs 6 Oct
9.30am

S. Bruno
Marie Roche Ints.

Fri 7 Oct
9.30am

Our Lady of the Rosary
The Holy Souls 

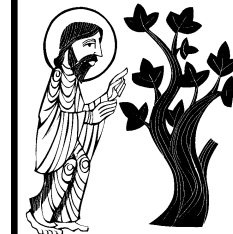
Sat 8 Oct
9.30am

Of Our Lady
Lily McCarrick RIP

Sun 9 Oct
6.15pm
8.30am
9.45am
11.15am
5.30pm

28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Irine Perera RIP
Mrs Winifred Joseph RIP
Jerry Ryan RIP
Rodriguez Cardona families Ints.

TODAY'S MASS



There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and

his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less.

First Reading: *Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*

The patience of the just man shall be rewarded when he sees the vision fulfilled.

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps. 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9*

Sing joyfully to God, our salvation.

Second Reading: *2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14*

St. Paul urges Timothy to remain strong in the Spirit of faith Timothy received.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 17:5-10*

Jesus teaches the apostles the importance of faith and service to God.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Whoever seems to himself to have understood the Scriptures in such a way that he does not build up that double love of God and neighbour has not yet understood.
Saint Augustine

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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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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 Helen Jordan*

RECENTLY DEPARTED: *Vincent Daly, Dee Kelly, Joe Nemeth, Jerry Harrington, Elizabeth Brosnan*

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: *Peter golden Jnr, Jacqueline Waddington, Richard O'Dwyer, PJ Neylon, Bredan Byrne*

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: *60th wedding Anniversary of Liam & Maura Carbery*

BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

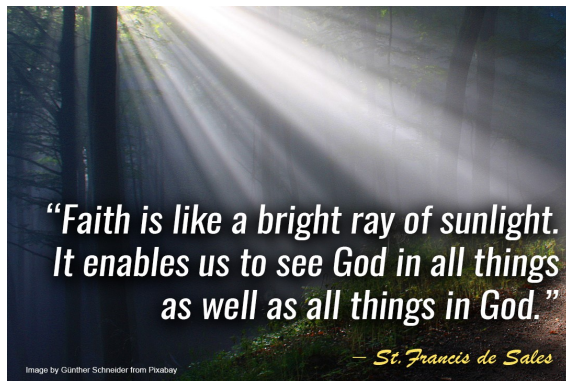
Thanksgiving for the 60th Anniversary of Liam & Maura Carberry

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM
In memory of Kitty Sugrue RIP

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



"Faith is like a bright ray of sunlight. It enables us to see God in all things as well as all things in God."

— St. Francis de Sales

How strong is your faith in God and how can you grow in it? Faith is not something vague, uncertain, undefinable, or something which requires a leap of the imagination or worse, some kind of blind allegiance. In fact, it is quite the opposite. Faith is a response of trust and belief in what is reliable, truthful, certain, and real. To have faith is to believe and trust in someone or something. We believe in the power of electricity even though we can't visibly see it with the naked eye. We know we can tap into that power and use it to do things we could not do by our own human power. Faith in God works in a similar way.

When God reveals himself to us he gives us the "assurance and "conviction" that his power and presence and glory is just as real, and even more real, than our experience of the natural physical world around us. Things around us change, but God never changes. He is constant, ever true to his word, and always faithful to his promises. That is why we can have the greatest assurance of his unconditional love for us and why we can hope with utter conviction that he will give us everything he has promised. Jesus is God's visible proof that his word is reliable and true - his love is unfailing and unconditional - and his power is immeasurably great and unlimited.

What did Jesus mean when he said to his disciples that our *faith can move trees and mountains* as well The term "mountain remover" was used for someone who could solve great problems and difficulties. Don't we often encounter challenges and difficulties which seem beyond our power to handle? What appears impossible to human power is possible to those who believe in God's power. Faith is a gift freely given by God to help us know God personally, to understand his truth, and to live in the power of his love. God expects more from us than we can simply do by ourselves. That is why Jesus gives us the gift and power of the Holy Spirit who helps us to grow strong in faith, persevere in hope, and endure in love.

Faith in God is the key for removing obstacles and difficulties which keep us from doing his will. We belong to God and our lives are no longer our own. Our joy and privilege is to follow the Lord and to serve in the power of his love and goodness. For our faith to be effective it must be linked with trust and with obedience - an active submission to God and a willingness to do whatever he commands. So let us trust in the grace and strength which God freely gives to us so that we may truly do his will.



NEWS UPDATE

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.

WELCOME also to MATTHEW TOPHAM, a seminarian who will be working with us for a while. Matthew is a member of the Ordinariate, a special group set up by the Pope for former Anglican clergy and people in order that they may become Catholic and be full members of the Church. Matthew was formally an Anglican minister and is married with three young children. Whilst celibacy remains the norm in the Church, the Pope gives dispensations to married clergy who come into full communion.. So we also welcome his family when they may well be at Mass.

MUSIC AT MASS Thank you to our choirs and musicians for enhancing our worship and for your commitment. **We are looking hard for people to help with our singing and music.** Don't be shy. Even if can sing that well—why not give it a try? Please don't always leave this to someone else. We can be reminded of the words of Saint Augustine: "The one who sings prays twice!".

CHILDREN'S LITURGY HELPERS AT 9.45 FAMILY MASS - We are seeking new volunteers to help the younger children (4-7yr) reflect on Sunday's Gospel during Mass in a fun, creative & simple way. If you might consider helping once every six weeks, joining an established group of experienced Catechists, please contact Una Moran una@bfmconsult.co.uk. Thank you.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. JULIO: I am writing to you to express my appreciation and gratitude for the generous gift that I have received from the parishioners of St George's parish. I would like also to thank you and them for the cards expressing love, support and best wishes for my new appointment in Hanwell. I greet you now, assuring you and our brothers and sisters of St. George's parish, of my prayers. Please pray for me as well. God bless.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Our generous team of Catechists & Helpers look forward to welcoming the children for Session 1 of this year's First Holy Communion Programme where the children will be thinking about how we relate to God and one another. Thank you for ensuring the children arrive promptly at the Parish Centre for the beginning of the session at 7pm.

EVENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS - There is a **Talzé Prayer** at Notre Dame de France on the last Saturday of every month at 7.30pm. **The Big Summit at Westminster Cathedral** is taking place on 21st October 2022. Details can be found on posters in the porch. Please sign-up to the Westminster Youth Ministry Newsletter for lots more information about youth events in the Diocese by visiting <https://dowym.com/>.

CONFIRMATION 2023 - Please note that the Confirmation Programme at St. George's Sudbury caters for those in Year 10 and above. Information regarding registration on our Confirmation Preparation Programme for 2023 will be made available in the coming months. Please keep an eye on the Newsletter for further information.

CALLING NEW CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS - Might you consider a new ministry at the Parish helping our young people prepare for their Confirmation in 2023? You would be serving alongside a fantastic group of experienced Catechists. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk for further information.

A WORD OF THANK YOU FROM THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP (Selling olive wood articles last weekend): "+ Christian greetings and the Peace of our Lord be with you always. We would love to thank you by allowing our group to come to your church and sell religious articles, the result of which was very beneficial and rewarding for our needy Christian families . Which raised £6239.00. Your help is a great support for us, and for our Christian families in the Holy Land. We don't have a word to thank you and your parishioners, but make sure that you are always in our prayers. If anyone has missed the carvings display, You can place an order online directly from them at www.tbng.co.uk. God bless you all. Love and blessings from The Bethlehem Nativity Group + May our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and your work ! Thank You".

DID YOU BUY A SINGLE CANDLESTICK from the olive wood sale? If so, apparently they come in pairs and we have the "other half" in the presbytery. So, please come and claim it if it is yours!

THANK YOU to all who attended our Macmillan Coffee Morning last Friday and for all who helped in so many ways. We still have to add up the final amount but will tell you next week.

FRIENDS OF JESUS - If your child is in Year 5 or above, and has therefore missed the opportunity to be on our regular First Holy Communion Programme, they can still join our Friends of Jesus Programme offering older children the opportunity to still prepare for Confession (Reconciliation) & Holy Communion. We are also considering restarting sessions on Fridays, from 5.30-6.30pm, for children not attending Catholic Schools to offer a little additional faith formation to those attending Mass each week. For further details please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk.

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 peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk, for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team. Thank you.

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): Congratulations and thanks to all who worked hard for the Quiz Night last Saturday. A good amount of money was raised and will help many people and families in the coming months.

WORLD YOUTH DAY - Westminster Youth Ministry is offering a **50% discount** on the cost of those attending the **World Youth Day pilgrimage** for those joining their **Youth Leadership Training** scheme. For full details please visit <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/>...or speak to Fr. Mike

THE OVER 60's CLUB 1.00pm every Tuesday in the café/Bar. **LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

THE PARISH OFFICE is open Thursdays & Fridays and from 10.30am until 3.00pm

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.

THE REPOSITORY is open after Masses. Why not take a look?. 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/>

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.

SCHOOL FORM SIGNING (All in Parish Centre)
This year: **SECONDARY (& GRAMMAR) SCHOOL:** THIS Friday 7th October 6.30-8.30pm
PRIMARY SCHOOL Friday 9 December 6.30-8.30pm
Please do not ask for forms to be signed outside these times

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.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH—if you'd like to make a contribution, especially in memory of a loved one there are envelopes at the back of church.