

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,
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

Allelula, allelula!

*The Word was made flesh and lived among us:
to all who did accept him
he gave power to become children of God.
Allelula!*

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.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUDBURY

Sunday 25th June 2023

12th 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 A

Weekday Readings
Week 12 year 1

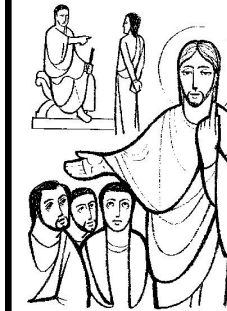
Divine Office
Week 12 psalms week 4

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

THIS WEEK

Sun 25 June 6.15pm (vigil)	12th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Thomas Kelly RIP Baptiste Fernandes ints. Frs Daniel & Mike Ints. Fr Anthony Meredith SJ RIP
8.30am 9.45am 11.15am 5.30pm	
Mon 26 June 9.30am	feria Watts & Ledo Families
Tues 27 June 9.30am	S. John Southworth Thomas Moran RIP
Weds 28 June 9.30am	S. Ireneaus Holy Souls
Thurs 29 June 9.30am 8.00pm	Ss. PETER & PAUL Paul Turnbull RIP Davina Menezes Thanksgiving
Fri 30 June 9.30am	First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church Crescencia Fernandes RIP
Sat 1 July 9.30am	Dedication of the Cathedral Brenden McGovern RIP
Sun 2 July 6.15pm (vigil) 8.30am 9.45am 11.15am 5.30pm	13th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Sr Gertrude Tirant RIP Neil, Paddy & Sheila Cummins RIP THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Noleen Bell RIP Kathleen Condon 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

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, SMR, Christopher Browne, Noel Gill, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John Rowland Watts, Shaun Scoon and Helen Jordan, Sean Marren, George Beel, Anne McShine-Jones, Marian Lynch, Shane & Paul, Martha Conway, Jean Lurshay, Patrick, Gerry & Corrine Gilbert, Edward Granger, Chris Sweeney, Marjorie Horeau, Catherine Corcoran.*

RECENTLY BAPTISED: *Lishoy Cardozo*

RECENTLY DEPARTED: *Timothy Keane, John Wier, Sales Dias, Rose Taylor, Eileen Ryan*

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: *Paul Turnbull, Fr Anthony Meredith SJ, Thomas Kelly, Joao Aga Pito Fernandes Rala*

BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

In memory of Jimmy Bonner RIP

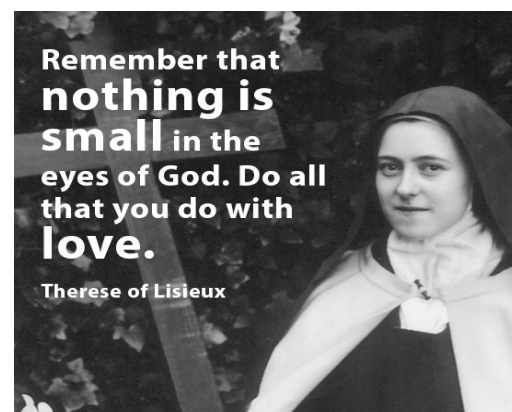
LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

In memory of Paul Turnbull RIP

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS for July 2023

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



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



Switch mobile phones off or to silent

WELCOME to all at Mass today and a big welcome to anyone who is new or a visitor.

FUNERAL MASS of Llewellyn Trinidad on Monday 19th June at 11.00am followed by burial in Alperton Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

WE NEED YOUR HELP for Welcomers (6.15pm Vigil Mass, 9.45am and 5.30pm) and Collectors (6.15pm and 5.30pm). If you could help, please let us know.

THURSDAY 29th June is the Feast day of **Ss. PETER & PAUL**. This is a Day of Obligation when we are asked to go to Mass (as on each Sunday). Masses at St George's at 9.30am & 7.00pm

THANK YOU to the Knights of St Columba for organising such a wonderful Mystery tour last weekend. Hopefully they will be organising a trip to Walsingham soon—keep your eyes peeled for the date.

GOOD NEWS....At long last we have the go ahead for the resurfacing of the Parish Car Park. Many you will know its not in a good state and this is long overdue. It's also quite expensive but we have saved enough to get it done. The approximate date for the works are the first two weeks of August. More news on the exact dates soon as cars will need to be parked elsewhere.

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.

CAN YOU SING? We really need you to help with our music at the 9.45am & 11.15am Masses on Sunday. Please do think about this carefully. St Augustine reminds us that *the one who sings prays twice!* Please don't leave this important ministry to others.

ROSARY AT HOME If you'd like to be part of our prayer network, or know more please simply contact Cheryl on 07941002161 .

CHURCH LAMPS: If you would like to sponsor the blessed sacrament lamp or the lamp by the altar of Our Lady of Walsingham with a particular intention, the cost is £10 for the week - Please see Toni in the Parish Office.

THE KNIGHTS of St COLUMBA have organised a tour of the **relics of St Edmund Campion** to England. St Edmund was a famous Jesuit at the time of the persecution of Catholics in England during the reformation and beyond. He was eventually martyred for his Catholic faith. His relics will come to St George's on **THURSDAY 6th JULY** when there will be a special Mass in his honour at 9.30am.

THE FRIENDS OF JESUS Programme takes place during Term-Times on Fridays from 5.30-6.30pm providing a little Religious Education to children of primary-school age who are not attending a Catholic school and have not yet received their First Holy Communion. If you would like further information, or our keen for your child to attend this Programme from September onwards, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk.

READERS AT SATURDAY 6.15PM & 5.30PM MASSES - Might you consider committing to read once a month at Mass? The ministry of reader offers the opportunity to reflect a little more attentively on the Word of God whilst also serving the Parish Community. There are some gaps in our regular rota that we are keen to fill. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk.

URGENTLY REQUIRED: Parishioner requires 2 bedroom home, preferably in walking distance of St George's School. Please contact Sharone on 075327214111

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT DAY—Saturday 8th July. A Date for your diary but more details soon.

A DAY WITH MARY has been booked for St George's. On Saturday 21 October. Again more details nearer the time

MARCH FOR LIFE, SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER: Put the date in your diary to join this important act of witness by Catholics and others of good will. This year's theme is 'Freedom to Live'. "Many are concerned about restrictions on freedoms but it's not until these restrictions affect us personally that we speak up. Sadly, those who have their most fundamental freedom taken from them, by abortion, cannot speak for themselves - this is why we march. For our nation to be truly free, no one can be denied the number one freedom, the freedom to live!" 10:30am: Mass at Westminster Cathedral; 10:30am-1pm: Events/Stalls/Talks/Testimonies at The Emmanuel Centre 1:30pm: March for Life (Emmanuel Centre to Parliament Square). Web: www.marchforlife.co.uk.

EMPOWERING VULNERABLE CHILDREN (UGANDA), a charity that parishioners have generously supported in the past, invites you to a donor care meeting in the Parish Centre from 7 to 9 pm on Thursday 6th July, to view displays and explanations of their work and the impact that donors' generosity makes possible. They will also share their vision and priorities for the coming years. The meeting will be quite informal and refreshments will be provided, as they would like to hear ideas about how they can improve their efforts in serving the children and your views about your experiences as a donor with EVC Uganda.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 21-28 JULY: Cardinal Nichols will lead the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 21 - 28 July. People are encouraged to book now via the Tangney Tours portal at: <https://www.tangneytours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/westminster-lourdes> to avoid disappointment as places are limited. If people have previously indicated 'St Frai Pilgrim' on an Expression of Interest Form, or you know of someone with significant medical and mobility needs who intends to come to Lourdes, then contact the Pilgrimage Office on 0207 798 9173 immediately, so the Medical Team can look into assisting with requirements and care. Similarly, any individuals or groups wishing to travel independently to join Westminster in Lourdes, by making their own travel and accommodation arrangement, must confirm this in writing to the Pilgrimage Office by 30th April 2023 as well as submitting payment towards the Pilgrimage.

NEWS FROM CARITAS WESTMINSTER: POVERTY CHALLENGE - SEE, JUDGE, ACT: Following the Pandemic many households face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales has released a new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty. This can be downloaded at www.csan.org.uk

GRANTS TO HELP WITH ENERGY DEBTS: Possible help from a charitable trust plus lines to other advice providers at <https://fuelpoverty.org.uk/focus-on/fuel-debt-and-trust-funds/>

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC THROUGH THE RCIA PROGRAMME? This means: Adults who are not Baptised at all and who wish to become Catholics: Adults who are baptised into another Christian denomination, but wish to become Catholics, and Adults who wish to become FULL members of the Roman Catholic Church (i.e., those who have been baptised but may not have received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist). If this is you or someone you know please appointment to talk with one of the priests to discuss what all this means.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 19-27 NOVEMBER: The annual Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from Sunday 19th Nov to Monday 27th Nov, led by Bishop John Sherrington and Fr John Farrell OP. You can book online at <http://www.tangney-tours.com/WHL> or call Gill at Tangney Tours 01732 886666 or Elizabeth at the Pilgrimage office 0207 798 9173! It will include visits to Galilee, Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Flights will be from Heathrow. Costs are £2265 per person sharing, £682 single room supplement; travel insurance essential.



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

20-26th

May 2024

visiting the Holy House of Loreto (Our Blessed Lady), Assisi (St.

Francis), Padua (St. Anthony) and Venice (St. Mark). Expanded and detailed Itinerary and prices Available now.

PLEASE TAKE A BROCHURE WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

Approx cost is put at £1450.

We will be combining this pilgrimage with the Parish of St Mary Magdalene, Willesden—so a chance also to share and make new friends too!