# St. George's Catholic Church, Sudbury

## Sunday 24th August 2025

## 21ST 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***

**Weekay Mass Readings**
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**Divine Office**
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## Masses and Intentions
### THIS WEEK

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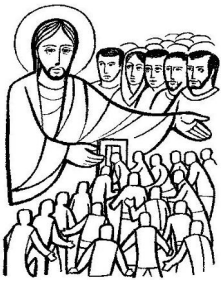
| **Sun 24 Aug** | **21st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR** |
| 6.15pm | Evelyn & Ken Taylor RIP |
| 8.30am | Farrell Valmond RIP |
| 9.45am | Teresa Muller RIP |
| 11.15am | Jean & Ferdie Rammelt RIP |
| 5.30pm | PEOPLE OF THE PARISH |
| **Mon 25 Aug** | **S. Louis** |
| 9.30am | Yolande Dias RIP |
| **Tues 26 Aug** | **Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God** |
| 9.30am | Mamerto M. De Jesus RIP |
| **Weds 27 Aug** | **S. Monica** |
| 9.30am | Paixao Cardoso Birthday Remembrance |
| **Thurs 28 Aug** | **S. Augustine** |
| 9.30am | Winona Fernandes Birthday Ints. |
| **Fri 29 Aug** | **The Passion of S. John the Baptist** |
| 9.30am | Clara Ramos RIP & Otto Hahn RIP |
| **Sat 30 Aug** | **Ss. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward** |
| 9.30am | Spencer Coomarewel RIP & Holy Souls |
| **Sun 31 Aug** | **22nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR** |
| 6.15pm SAT | John Toland RIP (1st Anniversary) |
| 8.30am | Larry Regan RIP |
| 9.45am | Martin & Rita Hession RIP |
| 11.15am | Joaquim Afonso Thanksgiving |
| 5.30pm | PEOPLE OF THE PARISH |

**Blessed Sacrament Lamp**
Intentions Of Baptist Fernandes

**Our Lady of Walsingham Lamp**
Birthday Intentions Of Eclat Lima

## TODAY'S MASS



"The last shall be first" We must not think of ourselves better than others just because we are Christians. It may be that others will find their way to the kingdom before us! We must set ourselves high standards and try to enter the kingdom by the narrow door.

**First Reading** *Isaiah 66:18-21*
Nations of every language shall come to see my glory.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 117:1-2*
Praise the Lord, all you nations.

**Second Reading** *Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13*
Whom the Lord loves, he disciplines.

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 13:22-30*
People will come from north and south

## SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"The future starts today, not tomorrow."*
Pope St. John Paul II

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# SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

**Entrance Antiphon:** ***Cf. Ps 85: 1-3***
Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

**Collect**
O God, who cause the minds of the faithful
to unite in a single purpose,
grant your people to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, amid the uncertainties of this world,
our hearts may be fixed on that place
where true gladness is found.
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:** ***Isaiah 66:18-21***

Thus says the LORD: 'For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands far away, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem,' says the LORD, 'just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites,' says the LORD.

**Responsorial Psalm:** ***Ps 117(116)***

***Response: Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.***

O praise the LORD, all you nations;
acclaim him, all you peoples!

***Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.***

For his mercy has prevailed over us;
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for ever.

***Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.***

**Second reading:** ***Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13***

Brothers and Sisters: Have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? 'My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.' It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed.

**Gospel Acclamation:** ***John 14:6***

***Allelula, allelula.***
***I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord.***
***No one comes to the Father except through me.***
***Allelula.***

**Gospel:** ***Luke 13:22-30***

At that time: Jesus went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying towards Jerusalem. And someone said to him, 'Lord, will those who are saved be few?' And he said to them, 'Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, "Lord, open to us", then he will answer you, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will begin to say, "We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets." But he will say, "I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!" In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.'

**Prayer over the Offerings**
O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption
through the one sacrifice offered once for all,
bestow graciously on us, we pray,
the gifts of unity and peace in your Church.
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon:** ***Cf. Ps 103: 13-15***
The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;
you bring forth bread from the earth
and wine to cheer the heart.

**Prayer after Communion**
Complete within us, O Lord, we pray,
the healing work of your mercy
and graciously perfect and sustain us,
so that in all things we may please you.
Through Christ our Lord.

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