

ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER

10TH JULY 2022 № 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm & Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 9:30am.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8am-5pm. Saturday 9:30am-6:30pm. Sunday 8am-1pm.

PUBLIC ROSARY: Every Wednesday 10am. All are welcome.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Saturday 10:30am – 11:15am followed by Benediction.

CONFESSION: Saturday 10:30am -11:15am (in the Sacristy) or by appointment

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Year C Ps Week 3

First Reading: Deut 30:10-14
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 68 Or Ps 18

Response: Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will

revive. Or The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Second Reading: Col 1:15-20 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

2/3 July 2022

Figures will be available next weekend.

Church Cleaning TEAM 1: A & C Roberts (Thursday)

For all queries regarding Parish accounts, Gift Aid, Weekly envelopes, Standing orders and so on, please *email at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk* & for Parish Centre(s) bookings, please email at *sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk* or contact Lavina, Parish Administrator at the Parish office.

PARISH NOTICES

Sea Sunday – 9th / 10th July: Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Sea Sunday is Sunday 10th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers

and fishers in need. You can donate in church by envelopes provided or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.



Confirmation Certificates: are available for collection before & after Mass in the Manning Room or from the Parish office weekdays. If your child's certificate will be collected by a friend or relative and if there are any amendments, kindly email the parish office directly at <u>sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk</u>.

Repository: The Repository will be open before and after all Masses **TODAY!**

REGULAR NOTICES

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration (White) forms are available in the Church porch or please email the Parish Office.

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH: NEW Weekly Donation Envelopes start TODAY! A big *THANK YOU* to all our parishioners who have been supporting our parish through Standing Order, Weekly Donation Envelopes, Gift Aid Scheme, Blue Envelopes and to all those who are planning to join. Please continue your support.

- 1. If you would like "Weekly Donation Envelopes" or would like to setup Standing Order, please complete the Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order (Blue) Form available in the Church Porch OR please contact the Parish office, call: 01932783507 or Email: sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk OR please visit our Parish Website DONATE/Donate to our Parish.
- 2. If you are a **TAX PAYER**, please consider joining the "**Gift Aid Scheme**" by completing the same form.
- 3. You **DO NOT** need to be a *Tax Payer* in order to set up or request for *Standing Order or Weekly Donation Envelope*.

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass, the <u>blue envelopes</u> are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes through the Rectory - Letterbox or email the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill please contact Fr Christian to arrange a visit.

Altar Servers: Online applications to begin serving at Mass are now open for applicants under 18 and over 18. Applicants should have received their First Holy Communion. Prior experience is welcomed but not required. Please visit <u>Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups /First Holy Communion</u>

Stewards & Minister's Rotas: The rota is available in the Church Porch and online on the Parish website - *Parish Groups*.

Sunday Tea/Coffee Morning: Every Sunday after 9:30am Mass in the Manning Room. All are welcome.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Parish Schools: St Ignatius Catholic Primary School and St Paul's Catholic College (Secondary) are this parish's two Catholic Schools, though some parishioners have children at Catholic secondary schools outside the parish bounds. Both are thriving schools. All Catholics are encouraged to have their children educated in a Catholic context.

Signing of Certificates of Catholic Practice for Catholic Schools

- Parents are requested to contact the School Office first to learn about the School admissions & visit https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions.
- For Secondary Transfer Year 7 (Sept -Oct), Reception (Nov Jan) & Nursery (Feb- Apr), please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest via Parish website.
- For School Years (Yr1 to Yr6) & other school years, please email the Parish Office for an appointment at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Baptism: To arrange for the baptism of any child under the age of seven please contact the Parish Office to book a meeting. All parents will need to complete a short course on the Sacrament of Baptism, usually held at noon on Saturdays. A child's baptism can be booked for any Saturday which works, again at noon.

Becoming Catholic 2021-22: Welcome home! Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

Marriage: Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

EVENTS

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 – LOOKING TO LISBON: will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16-year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/ or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at youth@rcdow.org.uk. Please apply by 31st July 2022.

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life: On Saturday 6th August from 12pm, Bishop Philip Egan will be leading a pilgrimage to Walsingham praying for the cause of life. contact 01858 571 242 or visit www.prolifepilgrimage.org

<u>Will You take the first Step?</u> CAFOD's Gap year programme: Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role

in global society while spending a year inspiring other to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for <u>September 2022</u> go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear

Caritas St Joseph's, Connect @Hounslow and Feltham: A safe place for adults with learning disabilities who would like to take part in ART, MUSIC, DANCE, DRAMA and COOKERY held at St Lawrence's Parish Centre every Tuesday or Friday. For further details contact Laura Moran 07394 566 360/ Karen Palmer 07394 566 361. Please see the poster or leaflets in the Church porch.

FR CHRISTIAN WRITES:

Today the Church sets before us the need for charity in living our Christian lives. The story of the Good Samaritan is known by every schoolchild. It is one of the very best examples of the way in which Our Lord preached so that the deepest wisdom of God can be known by even the simplest.

The ancient philosophers would discuss for hours, in extraordinary and intricate detail the meaning of virtue and the good life but here Our Lord makes all simplicity and clarity. All people, even people we might consider our enemies, are human beings who are worthy of care, worthy of pity, worthy of love. It is not only our duty to help those who we like, but sometimes even to help those who we might dislike.

The story, however, also has a great deal of depth beyond the headline message. The man is walking down from Jerusalem to Jericho. Jerusalem (literally meaning "City of Peace") is always a symbol of heaven. Jericho, a famous pagan city, is often a symbol of evil or sin. So we see in this simple line the idea that the man is leaving a good place and descending into evil.

The man represents the human being: we who were created perfect and blessed, but who have descended into imperfection. That descent into sin, of course, results suffering, as is represented by the bandit attack. The suffering is not alleviated even by the giving of the Commandments, as represented by the priest and Levite who walk by.

The one who does have pity is, however, a man rejected by others, a Samaritan. Not only does the Samaritan represent all who are unfairly rejected, but he, above all, represents Christ Himself. The Samaritan, as a Christ figure, picks the man up and cares for him by pouring out wine and oil. This reflects Christ picking up the wounded sinner and pouring out the oil and wine of the sacraments upon him.

Finally, the Samaritan leaves the man in the care of an inn, promising to return. Here again he acts as a figure of Christ. As the man is left in the inn to be cared for till the Samaritan comes again, so we are left in the care of the Church until the Lord comes again.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:

Pat Suckling, Zofia Moore, Margaret O'Sullivan, Rose Marie
Hook, Yolanda Albutt, Gerald (Gerry) O'Brien.

+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen+