

ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER

24TH JULY 2022 № 17TH 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 1

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32 Responsorial Psalm: 137(138):1-3,6-8

Response: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

16/17 July 2022

Envelopes £ 177.64 Loose £ 261.66 **Total** £ 439.30

Standing Orders June 2022 <u>£ 2880.50</u>

Church Cleaning TEAM 3: C Dos Passos (Saturday)

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: Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. Our parish raised £178.70. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris Chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea please visit

www.stellamaris.org.uk or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate f5

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 *sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk*.

Notice Boards in the Church porch: Please note, that the Notice Boards are updated by the Parish Office every week after receiving an approval from Fr Christian. Hence all posters, religious magazines, leaflets should be submitted to the Parish office by Wednesday(s). It's the same for all adverts for the Parish Newsletter & Website. Any unapproved literature will be removed.

Funeral of Trevor John Morgan: Monday 8th August at 10am in the Church.

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</u> <u>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

The 12th Annual GK Chesterton Pilgrimage will take place this year on the hundredth anniversary of GKC being received into the Catholic Church, Saturday 30th July. Please send any prayer requests to; CatholicGKCSociety@yahoo.co.uk or text them to 07795205114. Details of the many different ways in which you can be involved on the day, as well as printable GKC prayer cards can be found on our website, www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk. Over the years we have raised over £15,000 for Good Counsel with sponsorship from the Pilgrimage. Donations can be made here, https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gkcwalk22

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

Relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes: St John Fisher, Shepperton are to host the Relics of St Bernadette as part of a National Tour, on <u>Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th September.</u> The website for the Tour is now live. Please visit: www.stbernadette.org.uk

CELEBRATE is a Catholic ministry helping support individuals. Communities and especially families to live an authentic

Christian life. On their website they have a new online Family Activity Pack for Summer. If you would like to sign up to the CELEBRATE mailing list to keep up to date with what they are doing for families, you can sign up here: https://www.celebratetrust.org/get-in-touch

FR CHRISTIAN WRITES:

In today's gospel our Lord encapsulates the essence of what good prayer is, true worship. From these few words all the beautiful and varied prayers of the church both liturgical and personal flow. You will note that he tells us not to babble, as the pagans do. How often it is that people think that many words will please God more than one or two spoken with true and complete sincerity and trust.

Trust and self-abandonment, like a little child in the arms of a loving father. So, we start, "Our Father". Notice that it is always "Our" and never just "my father." This is because we are all children of God as a community, as well as personally. We are saved as part of the New Humanity, washed clean in the blood of the lamb and born again of water and the spirit.

"Hallowed be thy name" - How often is God's name taken for man's own purposes. In Pakistan we have seen people killing other human beings in the name of God. This is taking His name and making it something less. Something I own, or you own.

"Thy kingdom come" - We do not place our hopes in earthly pleasures, but in the Kingdom of Heaven which is here in an imperfect form in the earthly Church but will triumph finally on the last day.

"Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" - may we always do the will of God.

"Give us this day our daily bread" - this means both bread, as in, sustenance. But it can also mean the blessed sacrament.

"forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil" - This is a very serious thing to ask. We ask God to forgive our sins, as we forgive others! It can sometimes be extremely hard to forgive others. But let us remember that God is just, He is always perfectly just. It will only weigh us down if we cannot allow ourselves to forgive. But we should, because God chooses to forgive us our terrible sins against him. He never tires of it, so we must never tire of it.

So, we see here a perfect formulation of Christian prayer. Let me encourage you to try to pray this prayer today, after communion, very slowly, pausing after each phrase to reflect on its full meaning. Meditate on these words. Let them speak to you.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:
Pat Suckling, Zofia Moore, Margaret O'Sullivan, Rose Hook,
Yolanda Albutt, Gerald (Gerry) O'Brien, Trevor John Morgan

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