

# ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# NEWSLETTER

25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022 № 26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **MASS TIMES**

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

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

**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 2

First Reading: Amos 6:1,4-7 Responsorial Psalm: 145(146):7-10

**Response:** I will leave this place and go to my father.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Thank you for your generous donations

#### 17/18 September 2022

Envelopes £ 160.03 Loose £ 265.94 **Total** £ 425.97

**Church Cleaning TEAM 6:** J Rodrigues, C Lobo & A Vadakathara (Wednesday)

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.

Lavina will not be available on Mondays & Thursdays.

## **PARISH NOTICES**

**Secondary School Transfers:** Parents are able to book meetings with Fr Christian on the Parish website. Visit: <a href="https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/sunburyonthames/events/">https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/sunburyonthames/events/</a> or click the tab available on the homepage. The closing date for on-time applications to secondary schools is <a href="https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-andlearning/schools/admissions/secondary">https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-andlearning/schools/admissions/secondary</a>

**First Holy Communion 2023**: Online application is now open via the Parish Website. The deadline is <u>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022</u>. The course is aimed at children in Years 3 or 4. Sessions will start at the beginning of November. There will be a parents' meeting in October.



#### **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:** 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: <a href="mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk">sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk</a> 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 <a href="https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions">https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions</a>.
- 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 <a href="mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk">sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk</a>.

#### **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.

**Confirmation Certificates:** are available for 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 <a href="mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk">sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk</a>.

#### **EVENTS**

**National Mass for Altar Servers:** The Archconfraternity of St Stephen invites all servers to the National Mass for Altar Servers on <u>Saturday 1st October</u> at 2.30pm. Bishop John Sherrington will be the principal celebrant. Servers to vest in the Cathedral Hall, Ambosden Avenue and be ready to process by 2pm. See the poster in the Church porch.

Love Heals Body Mind And Spirit Ministry: Welcome you to come to a one-day Retreat of quiet Reflection Saturday 1st October 2022 11:00am – 4:30pm The Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR Enquiries: Eileen & David Brum 020 8542 2476 Email:lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com

Website: www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com

**Procession of Our Lady of Willesden:** On <u>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October</u> at 7pm, there will be a candlelit procession with the Statue of Our Lady of Willesden through the streets of Willesden, praying for the gift of vocations to the priesthood. Canon John O'Leary will preach. All are welcome, see the poster in the Church porch.

**Unveiling and Blessing of New Shrine of Blessed Carlo Acutis:** Bishop Nicholas Hudson will be unveiling a new shrine of Blessed Carlo Acutis at Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane on <u>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October</u> at 6:30pm. There will be a Sung Mass

celebrated by Bishop Nicholas, followed by the blessing and a reception. All are most welcome.

Firm Foundations in a Cost of Living Crisis: A free, one-day conference, to be held on Saturday 12th November at All Saints Catholic College, St Charles Square, London W10 6EL. Open to representatives from all parishes, schools, SVP conferences and social action projects in the Diocese, who can then share and use what they have learned for the benefit of their community. To find out more and register - <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/firm-foundations-in-a-cost-of-living-crisis-tickets-422656796857">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/firm-foundations-in-a-cost-of-living-crisis-tickets-422656796857</a> Any queries, please contact silvanadallanegra@rcdow.org.uk

#### **FR CHRISTIAN WRITES**

The story of the rich man and the poor man Lazarus, like all of our Lord's parables, is one with many layers of meaning, some of which may not seem immediately apparent.

On the face of it we see the simple tale of divine justice being meted out. The poor but just man Lazarus dies and is rewarded for his goodness, even though he had suffered so much in this life. The man who appeared to "have it all sorted", to enjoy every sort of success, is exposed as what he truly is a wicked man who does not care about others and who has turned his back against God so firmly in this life that he cannot enter into heaven in the next.

This reading is, of course, true. The apparently successful but wicked and the wretched but good will be given their just desserts. God is not indifferent to our actions and we will be held accountable for them.

This said, when we look at the story again. There are some details which may begin to stand out to us. The rich man asks Abraham to allow Lazarus to go back to warn his relatives but is prevented for "they have Moses and the prophets." The rich man begs saying that they will believe if a dead man speaks to them then they will believe, but again he is refused, for "if they will not listen to either Moses or the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

Here, with that final line, we see the important message underlying this parable. The underlying story is about our Lord himself, and about the inexpressible and utterly undeserved loving care which God has shown to us in Christ.

#### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners: Rose Hook, Yolanda Albutt, Gerry O'Brien, Noel Brown, Trevor Morgan, Yvonne E. Craig, Brenda Mary Darbin.

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