



ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER

3RD SEPTEMBER 2023 ✠ 22ND 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.*

Friday 8th September – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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

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

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.

MASS BOOK THIS SUNDAY

Year A

Order of Mass: pg.7

Hymns: see hymn board

Reading and Prayers: pg.122

Preface VI of the Sundays in Ordinary Time: THE PLEDGE OF THE ETERNAL PASSOVER, pg.67

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

26/27 August 2023

Envelopes	£ 195.50
Loose	£ 282.14
Total	£ 477.64

Church Cleaning Team 2: J O'Connell, J Sellings, P Goodfellow (Wednesday)

Lavina will not be available on Mondays & Thursdays.

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

ST IGNATIUS 100 CLUB: It's the September Draw for the 100 Club this Sunday, the draw will take place after 9.30am mass in the Manning Room. Come and join us for a cuppa and you never know you might even win! Good Luck to all our Members!

Confirmation & First Holy Communion Certificates: This year's Confirmation & First Holy Communion certificates are available from the parish office.

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. 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 visit our Parish Website.

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

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass, the blue envelopes 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 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 Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups/First Holy Communion

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

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

Repository: The Repository will reopen, with new and exciting stock, in September. Many thanks to all those who have supported this venture over the last year.

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 2022-23: 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.

First Holy Communion 2024: Online registration will be open via the Parish Website by mid September. The course is aimed at children in Years 3 or 4. Sessions dates & parents' first meeting date will be announced soon.

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>.

- ONLINE APPOINTMENTS will be scheduled:** For Secondary Transfer Year 7 - Sept - Oct, Reception - Nov - Jan & Nursery - Feb- Apr before the deadline. 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

Secondary School Transfers: Parents will be able to book meetings with Fr Christian on the Parish website as soon as possible. The closing date for on-time applications to secondary schools is 31 October 2023. For more information visit: <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/secondary/apply>

EVENTS

Diocesan jobs – Please see the Notice board or for further details, please visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

March for Life UK 2023: On Saturday 2nd September Bishop John Sherrington will celebrate the 10.30am Mass at Westminster Cathedral marking the beginning of the March for Life UK day. Bishop John invites all parishioners to this Mass.

World Youth Day Summer Picnic: Westminster Youth Ministry is bringing a taste of Lisbon to London for youth (12-35) who were unable to attend World Youth Day this year. Following the theme of World Youth Day: *'Mary arose and went with haste'* (Lk 1:39). We'll be exploring how we can rise up, certain that God's plan is the best one for our lives. Join us for a day filled with fun, prayer, testimonies and Mass with Bishop Paul McAleenan on Saturday, 2 September 2023 (11 am – 4 pm) at SPEC Retreat Centre, 125 Waxwell Lane, Pinner HA5 3EP. Infor & Register -**SCAN**

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a *Divine Mercy Retreat 2023* at St John Fisher RC Church, 80 Imperial Close, North Harrow, HA2 7LW on Saturday 9 September from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm led by the Marian Fathers. The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome. Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information.

Westminster Justice and Peace Outing to Plants of the Qur'an Exhibition, Kew Gardens on 14 September, 11.00am – 4.00pm. We will visit the exhibition in the morning, with time to explore the gardens in the afternoon. Please purchase your own tickets in advance via the Kew website (there are different pricing options) or on arrival. Meet just inside the ticket



barriers at the Victoria Gate entrance at 11.00am where we will begin and end the day with prayers. Bring a picnic lunch. Contact Colette Joyce – colettejoyce@rcdow.org.uk/ 07593434905.

Info - **SCAN**

The 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees - *"Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay"* on 20 September, 6:00-7:30pm. CSAN and CBCEW Webinar - Speakers include Bishop Paul McAleenan (Lead Bishop for Migrants & Refugees, CBCEW) and Christine Allen (Director, CAFOD). Info & Register - **SCAN**



A Tent of Learning - *Synodal Conversation and Conversion in Receptive Ecumenism*. The Society for Ecumenical Studies, in conjunction with the Centre for Catholic Studies, Durham University, and the London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, W1K 3AY on 23 September, 10.30am-5pm. Keynote Speaker Dr Callan Slipper. Register – **SCAN**.



FR CHRISTIAN WRITES

The readings for this Sunday are full of passionate language. Indeed, it has truly romantic language: "you have seduced me Lord... there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart." In the gospel, our Lord speaks with great firmness to St Peter when He feels He is being tempted. These passages are all important reminders that our faith is one which truly embraces and elevates all aspects of the human experience, including the passions. Our faith is not a bloodless, insipid faith in a set of pleasant moral principles, rather, it is a love affair. Love should always have within it a deep fire, that willingness to go over and above, to reach out and embrace without fear or calculation.

We do ourselves and our faith a disservice if we make it, perhaps, a bit too respectable. Yes, our faith does preach order, harmony and delight in gentles, but that is not every aspect. It is a faith built upon the Precious Blood of Christ poured out on the altar of the cross, a faith in a Christ who said that He "has come to bring fire to the earth, and would that it were burning already."

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:
Catherine Burbage, David Hardman, Peter Barnes, Christine Stacey, Fr Mark James Leenane, Liselotte Le Baigue (Lottie)
+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen+