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***Our Purpose***

*To Proclaim the “Good News” of Jesus Christ as Missionary Disciples of a Prophetic and compassionate Parish, nourished by the Word of God and the Eucharist, enlightened by the Gospel Principle of a preferential option for those most in need, as we journey towards the definitive “Kingdom of God.”*

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021 / 2022**

If you have a child who is currently in Year 3 (aged 8yrs+) and you would like them to join our First Holy Communion Programme, then please come to the **Parents’ Meeting** on 6th November 2021 at 11.00 in the Parish Hall. You will need to bring a copy of their Baptismal Certificate if not Baptised at St Helen’s Church and £25 to cover the cost of the two books used for the programme.

**NOTE:** Due to the size of our Parish Hall we have to ‘cap’ the number of children allowed on the programme. Therefore, priority will be given to the children who live in our parish and attend our Church.

**CAFOD Family Fast Day – Climate Crisis Appeal**

The collection for CAFOD’s Harvest Appeal will be taken up today. You can leave your donation in the basket at the front of the Church. Donations can also be made directly to CAFOD via their website.

[CAFOD website](http://www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis) [cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis](https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-CAFOD/Climate-Crisis-Appeal).

Thank you for your support.

**IN MEMORY OF JESSICA MACQUEEN**

In memory of beautiful Jessica, we are raising money for Jessica’s Arc, to help find better treatments and a cure to **rhabdomyosarcoma**. Please join us on the 18th October, her 2nd anniversary, by wearing a wrist band. The wrist bands, which are £2.50 each, will be available to buy after all masses on 16th & 17th October.  Also, in memory of Jessica, a small number of parishioners will be taking part in the Royal Parks half marathon today to raise money for Jessica's Arc. If you would like to support them, then please visit the below justgiving page.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/teammacqueen>

**Sunday 10th october 2021**

**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sat 9th**  10.00 COMMUNION SERVICE ONLY

 18.00 Anthony Vinothson Fernando R.I.P

**Sun 10th** 09.00 John O Neil R.I.P

 11.00 Donald Mackrill R.I.P

18.00 Maria Crisci R.I.P

Mon 11th \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Tues 12th** 10.00 Alice O Sullivan R.I.P

**Wed 13th** 10.00Matthew Brown (Intentions)

**Thurs 14th**  10.00 Marion Kerfoot R.I.P

**Fri 15th**  10.00 Private Intention

**Sat 16th** 09.00-09.50

Confessions / Adoration / Benediction

 10.00 Enright family (Intentions)

 18.00 Anthony Prasath Mahalingam R.I.P

**Sun 17th** 09.00 Chiara Mazzotta R.I.P

 11.00 Buonanno Luigi R.I.P

18.00 Angel Davranova R.I.P

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**CHURCH OPEN**

The church continues to be open daily for private prayer from 09.30 – 16.00 (except Monday). Access is via the entrance in the car park only. The door will be closed but unlocked. Please feel free to pop in to visit the Lord and enjoy a moment of peace and solace in His presence.

**APF RED MISSIO BOXES**

These can now be brought in for emptying and left in the box at the back of the Church after Saturday or Sunday Masses only. The empty boxes can be collected from the Hall Lobby by the Repository. Thank you to all those who keep a Red Box.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR**

**Sunday 3rd October 2021**

Planned Giving £166.10 Loose Plate £458.34

Standing Orders for August £ £4,335.43

If you would like to set up a monthly

Standing Order, our bank details are:

**HSBC Bank: WRCDT Watford North**

Sort Code: **40-05-20** Account No: **81263439**

anned Giving: £572.88p Loose Plate £303.29p

Standing Orders£1897.33.

**TIONS FOR**

**24th April: £**

***Planned Giving: £ Loose Plate: £***

***Our total income received in March for***

***Standing Orders: p***

***Standing Order figures:***

***April £1,917.33 May £2,022.33***

**TIONS FOR**

**24th April: £**

***Planned Giving: £ Loose Plate: £***

***Our total income received in March for***

***Standing Orders: p***

**AFGHAN REFUGEE CRISIS**

Caritas Westminster has been tasked with co-ordinating the Diocesan response to the Afghan refugee crisis**.** They are looking for vacant properties or buildings that may be available. Also, for initiatives as to how they may be welcomed into the community. If you can help with this then please contact

**Fran Moore on 07919 812735.**