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O Lord God, full of love and compassion.

I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself.

And the fact that I think

I am following your Will

does not mean that I am actually doing so

but I believe that the desire to return to you

does in fact please You.

And I hope I have that desire

in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything

apart from that desire to please You.

And I know that if I do this

You will lead me by the right road

though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore, I will trust You always

though I may seem to be lost

and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear

for You are ever with me

and you will never leave me

to make my journey alone.

by

Thomas Merton

**Sunday 24th july 2022**

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sat 23rd 08.30 Confessions / Exposition/ Adoration

09.15 Thanksgiving

 13:00 Baptism

 15:00 Wedding

 18:00 Peter’s intention

Sun 24th 09.00 Amparo & Antonio Caamano

 50th Golden Wedding.

 11.00 Stephen & Barbara Williams

(Presentation of paper blessing for Ruby Wedding).

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Mon 25th 09.15 Thanksgiving Mass

 (for Peter Arokiasamy)

Tues 26th 09:15 Parishioners

 19.00 PRAYER GROUP (Presbytery)

Wed 27th CHURCH & OFFICE CLOSED

Thurs 28th 10.00 Michael Reid R.I.P

Fri 29th 09.15 Thanksgiving

Sat 30th 08.30 Confessions / Exposition/ Adoration

 09.15 Eileen Gallagher R.I.P

 11:00 Baptism

 18.00 Mary Ann Carr R.I.P

Sun 31st 09.00 Nora Clancy R.I.P

 11.00 Frances & John McAndrew R.I.P

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**SUMMER FAYRE**

A big thank you to everyone for supporting our Summer Fayre.

A list of prize winners is on display in the hall lobby.

It was a successful event, all things considered and raised £1,119.42 (£390.00 for the raffle).

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION**

From September, Baptismal Preparation will take place on the second Saturday of every month, starting on 10 September 2022 in the Parish Hall at 10.00. If you would like to attend one of these sessions, please email the Parish Office with your details.

**Mighty Hike**

YAY I did it again!

Thank you to everyone who sponsored me for my Macmillan Mighty Hike last Saturday. I finished the 26 miles in 8 hrs 12 mins 40 secs, and so far I've raised over £600.

My JustGiving page will be open for a bit longer if you'd still like to contribute to this really great cause, because cancer doesn't stop:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/david-wright158>

Thank you! David

**HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME**

If you would like to receive Holy Communion at home (or you know someone who would) then please let us know. You can call office phone or pop an email to watfordnorth@rcdow.org.uk

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**OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 17/07/2022**

Planned Giving £124.50 Loose Plate £258.22.

**COLLECTION FOR 03/07/2022**

Planned Giving £146.85 Loose Plate £191.21

**COLLECTION FOR 10/07/2022**

Planned Giving £96.20 Loose Plate £292.02

Standing Orders for June £ £3,885.49.

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**

*Thank you for your continued support of the Church with your donations; it is greatly appreciated.*