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CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY—MONTH OF

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

7 JULY 2019

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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I am sure that most of us have been on a school trip, or sent our children on a school trip. Before the departure date, a letter comes from the school saying what to bring—the right clothes, all marked with names; rainwear, footwear; washing kit; medication. It can be a long list.

In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples out to by two, but he instructs them on what *not* to bring! No money, no provisions. They should not even bring a shoulder bag; that means that they will be unable to beg. They go as slaves, barefoot, and they go two by two, to support each other. Their message is to be one of peace, and not one of threat or coercion or force. It is peace through the power of the cross of Christ. They are to cure the sick—to bring back into the community people who were very much on the edge of village life.

What should we take with us on our journey to spread the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ? Jesus would suggest very little; in fact he would say we must travel simply and sacrifice things. I know parents sacrifice so much for the good of their children; I know that family members sacrifice so much to care for the elderly, the frail and the vulnerable among them.

The words of the Lord say three things to us: travel simply; be people of peace; and be people of healing, a healing not just of the body but of the soul. Then the kingdom of God will be close to us.

Monsignor Roger Reader.

Those who have died recently: Billy & Mae O'Brien

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Peter Mangan, Fr John Power, William Dyra, Tom Creed, Tommy McHugh, Maria Fernandes, Mick O'Brien, Luke Riordan

Sinhalese Mass

Last Sunday of the month: 4:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday—Friday:

One hour before
morning Mass

Saturday: 8:30am—9:30am
5:30pm—6:15pm

First Friday (Holy Hour):
7:00pm—8:00pm

Confessions

Saturday: 10:00am—10:30am
5:30pm—6:15pm

Parish News

Collection. Last week's collection was £1,869.69 (excluding standing orders). Standing orders for June amounted to £1,495.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Sea Sunday 2019. Next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. For more information about its work, visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Special Needs Summer Raffle 2019. The parish Special Needs Group are holding a summer raffle. First prize—£100 cash donated by *M.P Moran Ltd*; second prize—£50 Marks and Spencer voucher; third prize—Meal for two at the *Claddagh Ring*, Hendon, including bottle of wine, plus many more wonderful prizes. All proceeds from the raffle will go towards a summer and Christmas party for local people with learning disabilities. Raffle tickets will be on sale after all Masses on the 14 and 21 July. Tickets cost £1. All winners will be announced in the Annexe or outside the church, weather permitting, after 12 noon Mass on Sunday 28 July. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Saturday 21 September 2019 led by Cardinal Vincent and the Auxiliary Bishops. The theme of the pilgrimage this year is "Blessed are the poor, for the Kingdom of God is theirs." We recall the words of his Holiness Pope Francis in his Message for the XXVII World Day of the Sick 2019 when he encouraged us to live in solidarity with the poor as modelled by Jesus Christ. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage is close to the Feast day of Our Lady of Walsingham. As always this will be a time of special grace and blessing for all Pilgrims and their loved ones. We have booked a coach with Willesden and Cricklewood Parishes which will leave St Mary Magdalen's church, Willesden Green parish at 7:00am, pick up at Our Lady of Willesden, Willesden parish at 7:30am, and arrive back at approximately 8:00pm. The cost is £21 per adult and £15 per child which includes a £5 Diocesan pilgrim levy. If you would like to go, please hand in at the parish office or post through the inner Presbytery door for each pilgrim 1.) their name, 2.) their contact details, 3.) the contact details for a next-of-kin, and 4.) the full fare. Seats will be allocated as applications and monies come and your seat will only be confirmed once payment has been received. Seats are limited so please book your seat early.

Parish Diary

Monday	7:00pm	Prayer Group—Annexe
Thursday	7:15pm	SVP—Annexe
Friday	7:00pm	Knights of St Columba—Annexe
Saturday	3:00pm—5:00pm	"The Feast London" - a Catholic prayer meeting of the Light of Jesus Family in the Annexe

Diocesan News

John Henry Newman: Saint for our times. As we prepare for his canonisation in the Autumn, a series of talks on the life and work of Blessed John Henry Newman by Fr Michael Lang will take place at St Wilfrid's Hall at the Oratory, Brompton Road, London SW7 2RP at 8:00pm on the following Wednesdays: 10/24 July, 7/22 August and the 4 September 2019. All are welcome.

Lourdes Summer Retreat for Young Adults. The Assumption Sisters and Fathers invite young adults in their 20-30s for an English-speaking spiritual retreat in Lourdes, France in the summer of 2019. Dates: Saturday 3 August—Friday 9 August 2019 with talks, prayer, silence, pilgrimage, desert day and spiritual accompaniment. Please email youth@assumptionreligious.org. for more information. Cost is £300 (£220 for students/low waged). A limited number of subsidised places are available. (Excl. travel - your flight to Lourdes). Register online at <http://bit.ly/retreatlourdes>.

Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit Ministry invite you to a seven day retreat at Mem Soares (House of Peace) Castelo De Vide, Retreat House, Portugal on Thursday 5 September 2019—Wednesday 11 September 2019. The week includes the following: full board (three meals a day), one day excursion to Fatima, visit to historical local town of Castelo De Vide, Mass at Portalegre Cathedral, Rosary at the Blessed Chapel of Our Lady of Penha, Castelo De Vide. Visit to lakes situated in the National Park and on the last day visit to Lisbon: St Anthony's birthplace and Lisbon Cathedral. The cost will be £640.00. For further information and to book please email: lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com or visit the website at www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com or telephone David or Eileen on 020 8542 2476. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

Annual Mass for Bereaved Parents. The annual Mass for bereaved parents wil be held on Saturday 26 October 2019 at 2:30pm at St Aloysius Church, Somers town celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan.

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years old) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicsingles.org.uk or telephone 0161 941 3498.

Readings at Mass

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10—14

Psalm Response: Cry out with joy to God all the earth

Second Reading: St Paul to the Galatians 6:14—18

Alleluia Verse: I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Gospel: Luke 10:1—12. 17—20