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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 07 JULY 2024

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 07 JULY - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) Parish Mass Book p103

8.00am Mass: Justine and Petra Manche

Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am 10.00am Mass: For the People of the Parish 6.00pm Mass: Cynthia Rapazzini RIP

Mon 8th July NO MASS TODAY

Tues 9th **Feria** 11.30 am Rosary

12.00 pm Mass: Jenny Walker RIP

Wed 10th Feria 9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Felicitas Ancheta RIP - Birthday

Thur 11th St Benedict 9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Maria Keaveney-Jessiman RIP

Friday 12th **Feria** 9.00 am Rosary

9.30 am Mass: Wellbeing of Breda Byrne and Family

Sat 13th St Mildred

9.00am Mass: For the souls of Francis, Mary, Francis

and Anna RIP - Grandparents

9.30 am Rosary, Holy Hour, Confessions 9.45am

SUNDAY 14th JULY – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) Parish Mass Book *p106*

8.00am Mass: Michael Durrant RIP

Confessions - 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00am Mass: John Kinahan RIP

6.00pm Mass: For the People of the Parish



Offertory 30th June

£784.65 (£308.14 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £45 Gift Aided Contactless, £6 Non Gift Aid Contactless and £250.51 cash)

Peter's Pence: the Holy Father's own Charity £215.39 (£23 Gift Aided envelopes, £45 Gift Aided Contactless, £9 Non Gift Aided Contactless and £138.39 cash)

Next Sunday 14th July is Sea Sunday: retiring collection for Stella Maris (formerly The Apostleship of the Sea). Envelopes are available in the church foyer.

<u>The Parish Office</u> is normally open on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from **10am until 12noon**. All Parish Hall bookings should be made during these times.

<u>Mass Intentions</u> Complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope (please do write clearly). For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please give at least **eight** weeks' notice to avoid disappointment.

SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS—Tammy Finan and Steve Kearney E-mail: chessingtonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

Readers 7th July 8am: Mark Murphy 10am: Charissa Lobo 6pm: Emilia de Rennes Readers 14th July 8am: Alberto Ravano 10am: Kate Moir 6pm: Frances Harryman Counters 7th July Howard and Marlene Cleaners w/c 8th July Aurea's Group

TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE - BE A PRACTISING CATHOLIC CHERISH THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism – please speak to Fr Peter before fixing a baptismal date and reception venue.

Sacrament of the Eucharist – se e above, Mass times

Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance

Confessions: Sundays 9.15am-9.45am, Saturdays 9.45 am -10.15 am during Holy Hour, Thursdays 10.15 am – 10.45 am, and after weekday Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Confirmation – annual course for baptised young Catholics – please apply to Fr Peter

Sacrament of Marriage – please speak to Fr Peter at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Sacrament of Healing – It is our duty to call a priest to anoint family members in failing health. Please try to give notice if at all possible and don't leave it to the last minute. It brings consolation to the dying as well as healing to the sick, including those suffering from mental illness and dementia. It can be administered at church, in hospital, care home, at home, indeed anywhere. Make sure you are anointed before an operation with general anaesthetic.

Sacrament of Ordination and consecration to the sacred Priesthood and Religious life – please speak to Fr Peter who will connect you with our vocations director.

Kingston Hospital If you are admitted to hospital, it is your responsibility to inform the ward staff if you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of a patient in the Hospital please call the Hospital Main Switchboard on 020 8546 7711 who will contact the Chaplain.

Cake Sale TODAY Sunday 7thJuly and every first Sunday of the month in aid of our parish window project. Delicious cakes and freshly brewed coffee available to buy after all Masses. It would be lovely to see as many people as possible joining us to support this event.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK especially Cindy Albright, Sally Baker, Patrick Beglane, Joyce Crooks, Tyler Curniffe, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Eileen Gathercole, Marie Gilbert & Family, Paul Jarvis, David Jordan, Solomon Justin, Georgia Kelly, Paul Kwan, Teresa McDonald, Sally McKenna, Jimmy Murphy, Pauline Murphy, Ryan O'Loughlin, Mark Peace, Jean Penycate, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmaotee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

PARISH SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING NEWS TODAY

CAKES AND COFFEE AFTER EACH MASS

8am 10am 6 pm

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It is a joy to get together and live our faith together.

NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING TEAM Sunday 14 July after the 10 am Mass in our Hall

All are welcome to attend, even if you have not attended before, and bring new ideas and make offers of help. We got off to a flying start with last month's plant sale which raised £900. Thanks!

NEXT SUNDAY 14 JULY IS SEA SUNDAY - APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA -

STELLA MARIS CHARITY - SECOND COLLECTION

Every year churches around the world celebrate Sea Sunday. It is a day for people to come together to pray for seafarers and fishers, and thank them for the vital role they play in all of our lives. 90% of world trade is transported by ship. But the life of a modern seafarer can be dangerous and lonely, spending up to a year at a time away from home and their family. *Stella Maris* is a Catholic Charity supporting seafarers worldwide. It provides practical and pastoral care to all seafarers and their families, regardless of nationality or belief. Port chaplains visit ships and seafarers and offer a welfare service, advice, care and friendship. Some 250 ports around the world are covered. *Stella Maris* relies wholly on voluntary contributions.

Please help with a donation.

Please come prepared for
next Sunday's 2nd collection

For more information and resources

www.stellamaris.org.uk

Catholic Bishops' Conference www.cbcew.org.uk

AS OUR SUMMER HOLIDAYS APPROACH LET'S NOT LOSE FOCUS ON OUR KEY PARISH PROJECTS:

- Evangelisation plan and formation of a parish evangelisation team to lead this work, teach and spread the faith.
- Survey of parishioners' views about the parish and how we want it to continue to develop.
- Children's Liturgy group at the Sunday 10 am Mass.
- Youth Ministry regular suppers and events with spiritual input for all teenagers.
- Fundraising and social events team.
- Art, Architecture and Buildings team beautification of the parish and essential repairs.
- Final refurbishment of the Presbytery.
- Continuing development of the parish choir and liturgical music, altar servers, sacristans.

May the Holy Spirit who brings us to Christ spur us on.

Please continue to approach Fr Peter if you wish to be involved in any of the above. You are most welcome

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURE PASSAGES "FOR IT IS WHEN I AM WEAK THAT I AM STRONG"

Dear Brothers and Sisters – do you ever find that you get a very special and deep insight into what God wants for you when you are at your weakest, when you feel ashamed of something you have done or when you are stuck in some sort of self-indulgent sin!? At that low point, you are paradoxically at your most receptive to God's communication. At that moment your puffed up pride evaporates and you seek the Lord as his very own child. This is what St Paul himself is expressing today in his second letter to the Corinthians when he speaks of a "thorn in the flesh," some kind of weakness, unknown to us, as he says, "For it is when I am weak that I am strong." Humility is always the key to our faith, to how we embrace our Lord Jesus. His inseparable truth and love bring us to humility. And it is in humility that each one of us has inherited the prophetic nature of Christ at our Baptism. Each one of us is a prophet. How can this be? Because a prophet is not one who tells the future, but one who points to God, as John the Baptist, the greatest prophet, pointed to Jesus as the "Lamb of God." Each one of us too can point to God and bring others to him. And each one of us is undoubtedly called to do that, even though we will gain the derision and even the hatred of many of our beloved fellow citizens, even family and friends. As we approach five years of a new Government, we are called to remind our leaders that God's will is greater than their will; that God's agenda is greater than their agenda; that Christian morality is the cornerstone of true freedom, and not any man-made morality or ideology.

THE PRAYER OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

Holy Spirit, come into my heart; draw it to Thee by Thy power, O my God, and grant me charity with filial fear.

Preserve me, O beautiful love, from every evil thought; warm me, inflame me with Thy dear love, and every pain will seem light to me. My Father, my sweet Lord, help me in all my actions. Jesus, love. Jesus, love. Amen We celebrated Mass on Monday 29 April on the Feast of our patron saint, St Catherine of Siena.

Let us learn her prayer and recite it daily. That we may love one another in humility as Jesus loves us.