

No: 3378 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

16th July 2017

Parish Newsletter

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Parish Office Open on Monday—Friday 10am— 1.00pm

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

15th/16th July 2017

- 6.30pm** Roman Szymanski (Eileen & Chris Furlong)
9.00am Rosemary Emmanuel RIP (Tina Howley)
11.00am People of the Parish
12.30pm **Baptisms:** Gaskin
6.00pm Deceased Family and Friends of Trutwein Family (Trutwein Family)

Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time (Year A)

17th-22nd July 2017

- Mon 17th** **Feria**
9.30am Holy Souls
12.30pm Geovanis Goneora RIP (Georgina Sharp)
Tues 18th **Feria**
9.30am Intention of Paheerathan Thulasi
6.30pm Lucrecia Fernandez RIP (Georgina)
Wed 19th **Feria - Leavers Mass**
9.30am Intention of Paheerathan Thulasi
6.30pm Intention of Donor
Thurs 20th **Feria**
9.30am Intention of Donor
12.30pm Alan Seymoor RIP (Georgina Sharp)
Fri 21st **Feria**
9.30am Alexius Yap RIP (Catherine Yap)
12.30pm Intention of Paheerathan Thulasi
Sat 22nd **Saint Mary Magdalene**
9.00am Delia Kelly

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

22nd/23rd July 2017

- 6.30pm** Quhey Saunders (Chanelle O'Keefe)
9.00am People of the Parish
11.00am Benny Gomez and Yohannan Gomez RIP (Nikhil Ubald)
12.30pm **Baptisms:** Eva Murray, Jade Dizon and Campbell
6.00pm Andrew and Richard Trutwein (Heather Trutwein)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION THIS WEEK

Saturday 9.30-10.00am and 5.30—6.00pm

Novenas

Novena Prayers to Saint Anthony each Tuesday after the morning mass and at 6.30pm.

Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help each Wednesdays at 6.30pm.

Night Adoration : Every 1st Saturday of the Month after the 6.30pm Mass until midnight.

Collection Last Weekend: £1389.73

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Apostleship of the Sea Collection: £308.20

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially those whose anniversary falls at this time. We remember also all those who mourn the loss of loved ones.

Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community:

Vanessa Andrew, Arthur Bailey, Christina Beyer, Mary Burrows, Jim Creighan, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, John and Sally Edwards, Jenny Elbourough, Lilly Ella, Robert Estall, Tony Fisher, Anne Freer, Anne Groves, Thomas Haley, George Hayes, Eillen Kaye, John Keane, Jan Leightley, Roisin Loftus, Margo Martin, Simon Munnery, Pat Parker, Eileen Pearce, Lewis Penn, Frances Powell, Cecelia Russell, Rouben Sarkissian, Cerys Sullivan, Edward Sullivan, Gerry Taylor, Chris Wade and Mrs Wallace.

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

St Vincent de Paul Meetings

Fortnightly on Wednesdays at 7.30pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday 9th August

To contact SVP please ring **07427922420**.

Junior SVP meets at 6.30pm.

SVP Coffee Morning in the Old Chapel

3rd Sunday of every month after the 9am mass.

Justice & Peace Group

Second Monday of each month at 7.45 in the RDJ Room, except July, August and December.

Afternoon Tea and Chat in the RDJ Room

2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 2pm.

Monthly Syro Malabar Mass

Fourth Saturday of each month at 3.00pm.

Repository

The repository is open the first Saturday of every month after 6:30 pm mass and every week on Sunday after the 9 and 11 am masses, excluding school holiday.

Library:

3rd Sunday of every month - after the 9.00am Mass with SVP Coffee Morning.

Union of Catholic Mothers

First and third Tuesday of each month except August at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel.

Knights of St Colomba

Every 3rd Monday at 8pm in RDJ Room.

The Kingston Franciscan Fraternity

Pastoral Centre on 3rd Saturday of the month at 3pm.

Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13. 16-19

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

REFLECTION for 15th Sunday

Today's Gospel is about the parable of the sower - one of Jesus' stories we have heard many times. I think the first time I heard it was in Brother Nagle's R E class when I was about thirteen or so, at the Christian Brothers' School in Omagh, Co Tyrone. I remember him growling at us to pay attention. Perhaps he could see we were not listening. It was just before lunchtime and our minds were on other things. The parable was being enacted before his very eyes!

As you will recall, the sower's seed falls on various types of ground: hard ground, where it gets eaten by birds before it can take root; stony ground, with only a thin covering of soil, where it manages to sprout but dries in the heat of the day; a weed-infested patch where it gets choked by stronger-growing weeds; and then on good, fertile soil where it thrives and produces a good crop.

We may think that our lives and our listening to the word of God (the sower's seed) are characterised by a mixture of the situations illustrated in the parable. But bear in mind what the prophet Isaiah has to tell us about the word of God in relation to us all. "Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do'". Let us ponder these words: they are quite awesome in their implications for us and our faith.

The Lord's words are intended be received into fertile ground. Our loving Father made us so, did He not? Male and female, created in the image of God, we are that fertile ground into which the word of God is to enter and succeed in what it was sent to do. Throughout our lives, the word of God has been going out to us. Though all too often hardness of heart or cluttered lives or good intentions may prevent that seed from taking root in us and growing, there is good soil in each of us.

We all have a tremendous potential for good. Sometimes our growth in holiness is sudden and spectacular, but most of the time, I imagine, it is a gradual and maybe unrecognised process. But growth is taking place. It is just like the seed, growing little by little, blown about by the winds of life, needing water but surviving the heat of the day - and yet, through God's love and design, producing a bountiful crop. The word of God as proclaimed by Isaiah tells us that this is so. Let us believe in it and take heart.

Deacon Al

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH

Parents who want to have their children baptised are expected to follow the two Baptism Preparation Sessions held on the 1st & 2nd Sunday of the month (except in of August) between 10.00am -11.00am in the Old Chapel. Please speak to the priests first and register as early as possible. **Please note no baptism dates will be arranged till the parents complete both preparation sessions.**

PARISH NEWS and EVENTS

Death

It is with sadness we announce the death of Billie McCardle who died under tragic circumstances. The funeral will take place on Friday 21st July at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Hampton Court Road.

Union of Catholic Mothers

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 18th July in the Old Chapel at 7.30pm when we will have our Summer Party. Please could members bring finger food to share.

Children's Liturgy Group (Sunday 9am Mass)

Resumes on Sunday 10th September.

Parish Catechists Day

A day for parish catechists will be held on Saturday 16th September, from 10.30am-1.30pm. Light refreshments will be available at 1.30pm.

All catechists/ Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion, RCIA and Children's Liturgy are invited to this meeting. Can I ask all the lead catechists to make sure that all catechists attend the meeting.

ANNUAL PARISH MEAL

Our annual Parish meal is to be held on Friday 29th September (7pm for 7.30pm) at Sorrentos, Ewell Road. The price will be £15.95 per person

for a 3 course meal (excluding drinks), which will be payable in advance. Please do reserve that date in your diaries, as it should be a really fun event.

Wednesday Mass

On Wednesday 19th July at the 9.30am Mass the school children will be joining us. It will be a Mass for Year 6 children - Leavers Mass/ Graduation

Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators urgently needed

Are you looking to volunteer in a friendly and supportive environment and to make a difference in one of the most foundational areas of society – marriage? Then Marriage Care has the opportunity you are looking for.

‘I am delighted to be using my skills for something I truly believe in’ - Marriage Care Volunteer.

Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation that draws on its Catholic Christian tradition and contemporary research to help couples in both good times and bad, providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services for couples across England and Wales.

Our Wimbledon centre which covers South West London is in urgent need of:

A Head of Centre to lead and support the team, **Marriage Preparation Facilitators** to present and facilitate marriage preparation days (training is provided); **Qualified Relationship Counsellors** with a recognised couples-counselling qualification and a **Parish Liaison Officer** to help promote services and volunteering. For more information or to apply, please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage

to Lourdes

The Annual Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is on 18-25th August 2017. The Diocesan Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Patrick Lynch. For more details and booking forms please contact Fr Edward Perera, Southwark Lourdes Pilgrimage Director at info@olionline.co.uk or 020 8399 9550.

The Passage Garden Party

Friday 21 July 2017 from 6.00 p.m. Tickets £40 from The Passage, St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London SW1P 1NL tel. 020 7592 1856 email tickets@passage.org.uk or through passage-garden-arty.eventbrite.co.uk Tickets includes buffet supper, wine, soft drinks, live music and raffle.

A Day with Mary

Saturday 22nd July, 9.45am-5.30pm at St Anselm's Church, Balham High Road, SW17

Saturday 29th July, 10am-5.15pm at St Peter, Victoria Drive, SW19.

Please see notice board for full details.

Midday Supervisor Required

The Governors at St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls, Pound Street, Carshalton, Surrey, are seeking to appoint Midday Supervisor for September 2017. Further details and an application form are available by emailing recruitment@stphils.org.uk or contacting Marsha Adams, Person-

nel Officer on 020 2025 ext 202, or can be downloaded from our school website: www.stpils.org.uk

Holy Cross School—Vacancy

Teacher of Religious Education
Full-time, one year in the first instance
Job Start: September 2017
Closing Date: 9am. Monday 17th July
Interviews From: Tuesday 18th July

