



Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church

4 August 2019

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

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Parish Priest: Fr. Ignatius Edet + **Curate:** Fr. Joseph Edem + **Deacon:** Rev. Al Callan + **Secretary:** Mrs Denise Kidd

School: Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School + **Headteacher:** Mrs. Frances Robertson

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS		
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR		
3 rd Sat Vigil	18.30	Elizabeth Saunders & Jeanette Bonfield – WB (<i>A. Carrion</i>)
4 th Sun	9.00	Vincent N. Ayamnde – RIP (<i>Ayamnde Family</i>)
	11.00	Private Intention
	18.00	<i>Pro Populo</i>
WEEKDAY MASSES		
EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION: Monday – Friday at 8.30am		
5 th Mon Feria	9.30	Angela McCarthy – WB (<i>M. Tett</i>)
6 th Tues The Transfiguration of The Lord	9.30	Damian Maranzano – RIP 30 th Ann (<i>R & A Maranzano</i>)
	19.00	Trevon Irwin – RIP
7 th Wed Feria	9.30	Bertha D'Costa – RIP (<i>D'Costa Family</i>)
	19.00	Liz Price – RIP (<i>1st Ann</i>)
8 th Thurs St Dominic	7.00	Holy Souls
	9.30	Thomas Devine – RIP (<i>J. Devine-Clark & Family</i>)
9 th Fri St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	7.00	Linda McNally – RIP (<i>G. Connors</i>)
	9.30	Betty Hicks – RIP (<i>K. Kelleher</i>)
10 th Sat St. Lawrence	9.00	Sarah Jane McGedy – RIP (<i>FM</i>)
NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR		
10 th Sat Vigil	18.30	Dereck Canavan – RIP (<i>J. Brooks</i>)
11 th Sun	9.00	Shelia Somerlinck – RIP (<i>FM</i>)
	11.00	Nan Healy – WB (<i>M. Taylor</i>)
	18.00	
OTHER SERVICES		
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.15pm	
St Anthony of Padua	Tuesday: after AM & PM Masses	
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wednesday: after PM Mass	
Our Lady of Fatima	1st Saturday of the month	

THE COMMON DESTINATION OF GOODS

Whether believers or not, we are agreed today that the earth is essentially a shared inheritance, whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone. For believers, this becomes a question of fidelity to the Creator, since God created the world for everyone. Hence every ecological approach needs to incorporate a social perspective which takes into account the fundamental rights of the poor and the underprivileged. The principle of the subordination of private property to the universal destination of goods, and thus the right of everyone to their use, is a golden rule of social conduct and “the first principle of the whole ethical and social order”. The Christian tradition has never recognized the right to private property as absolute or inviolable, and has stressed the social purpose of all forms of private property. Saint John Paul II forcefully reaffirmed this teaching, stating that “God gave the earth to the whole human race for the sustenance of all its members, without excluding or favouring anyone”. These are strong words. He noted that “a type of development which did not respect and promote human rights – personal and social, economic and political, including the rights of nations and of peoples – would not be really worthy of man”. He clearly explained that “the Church does indeed defend the legitimate right to private property, but she also teaches no less clearly that there is always a social mortgage on all private property, in order that goods may serve the general purpose that God gave them”. Consequently, he maintained, “it is not in accord with God’s plan that this gift be used in such a way that its benefits favour only a few”. This calls into serious question the unjust habits of a part of humanity.

The rich and the poor have equal dignity, for “the Lord is the maker of them all” (Prov 22:2). “He himself made both small and great” (Wis 6:7), and “he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good” (Mt 5:45). This has practical consequences, such as those pointed out by the bishops of Paraguay: “Every campesino has a natural right to possess a reasonable allotment of land where he can establish his home, work for subsistence of his family and a secure life. This right must be guaranteed so that its exercise is not illusory but real. That means that apart from the ownership of property, rural people must have access to means of technical education, credit, insurance, and markets”.

The natural environment is a collective good, the patrimony of all humanity and the responsibility of everyone. If we make something our own, it is only to administer it for the good of all. If we do not, we burden our consciences with the weight of having denied the existence of others. That is why the New Zealand bishops asked what the commandment “Thou shall not kill” means when “twenty percent of the world’s population consumes resources at a rate that robs the poor nations and future generations of what they need to survive.”

We know how unsustainable is the behaviour of those who constantly consume and destroy, while others are not yet able to live in a way worthy of their human dignity. That is why the time has come to accept decreased growth in some parts of the world, in order to provide resources for other places to experience healthy growth. Benedict XVI has said that “technologically advanced societies must be prepared to encourage more sober lifestyles, while reducing their energy consumption and improving its efficiency”.

© Pope Francis, *Laudato si’ – On the Care of our Common Home* (2015), §§93-95, 193)

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

1ST READING	Wisdom 18: 6-9
2ND READING	Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
GOSPEL	Luke 12: 32-48

PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE	
	Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died Kathleen Sheehy-Gregory, Fr. Paul Offu (Enugu Diocese, Nigeria) and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time; and 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, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, Eileen Pearce, Heather & George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Sharon Kelly, Nan Healy, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Michael Emmett, Frances Sullivan, Sally Sheridan Loughrey, Michael Pearson, Antonio Lima, Joan McGovern, Colleen Whitley, Rita Reginald & Frances Powell

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
	LAST WEEKEND Cash: £674.91 Gift-aid: £742.01 Total: £1, 416.92 2 nd Collection for Day for Life: Total: £328.19 Thank you for your generosity to your parish.

INFANT BAPTISM	
	Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the parent's course. NNext course: 1 st & 8 th September, at 10am in the Old Chapel.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PRAYER SPONSORS	
	We have an exciting new First Communion programme starting in September, please could all parishioners pray for the programme and think about praying in support of a child to help them in their preparations. Intercessory Prayer Sponsor forms will be available in the narthex and completed forms can be returned to the Presbytery. Please take one and pray before deciding. Your decision to pray is such a valuable prayer in itself!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING	
	Thank you to all who have indicated interest to serve the parish through the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). The inaugural meeting is scheduled for after the 6pm Mass on Sunday, 15 September in the OLD CHAPEL. Agenda and some relevant materials will be distributed to all concerned by the end of this month. Let us continue to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit for our brothers and sisters.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS
<p>PARISH TELEPHONE LINES</p> <p>Due to a fault our telephone lines are down at the moment. We are working hard to rectify the problem as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you need help, please contact the Parish Office by the email address. Thank you.</p> <p>RCIA</p> <p>Are you interested in the catholic church and want to know more Have you ever thought of becoming a catholic? Are you an adult, baptised catholic but not yet confirmed? If you, or someone you know, would say 'Yes' to one of these questions, Fr Ignatius would be glad to hear from you. The parish has a small group that will meet informally every week from September that may help answer your questions about the Church and, if you wish, enable you to take further steps.</p> <p>DONUT SALE TOTAL</p> <p>Ethan Fox raised: £134 with the Krispy Kreme donuts sale last weekend in aid of the Princess Alice Hospice. Well done Ethan! And a very big 'Thank You' to all who were able to support him.</p> <p>CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP SUNDAY 9AM MASS</p> <p>We are on summer holiday until Sunday 8th September. We look forward to welcoming you all back then.</p> <p>OPEN DAYS: OUR LADY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL</p> <p>Dear Parents, you are invited to visit the school as prospective parents for admission in 2020. We are offering tours of the school an opportunity to meet the Head on Friday 11th October at 9.15am and Friday 22nd November at 9.15am. We look forward to seeing you then.</p> <p>DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS: SAT 28 SEPT 2019</p> <p>All catechists and children's liturgists are invited by our new Archbishop, John Wilson, to attend the annual diocesan Day for Catechists on Saturday 28 September 2019 at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 6HR. This Day is for all the Catechists of the diocese, including those involved in Children's Liturgy of the Word and the RCIA process. This year, as with last year, will feature an additional workshop slot and a catered sandwich lunch.</p> <p>In order that all our catechists do not miss this important training day, please put this date in your diaries now and let Denise in the Parish Office know if you wish to attend. Thank you</p> <p>BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE</p> <p>You are invited to a celebration of your marriage. However long you have been married, come along to St Columba's, Selsdon, South Croydon, from 9.45am till 4.30pm on Saturday 28 September. The day is for couples with average-to-good marriages who would like to make them a bit better. Booking is essential: phone 07983 524 727 or email mflkent@caos.org.uk</p> <p>OPEN DAYS: THE URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL</p> <p>Dear Parents, you are invited to the following events: Wednesday 18th September 6.30-8.30pm 23rd-27th September (appointments are for Yr. 6 students only with a parent and can be made from Monday 9th September) For any further inquiries please contact; Admissions Officer, Mrs Salvina Barcellona: 020 8908 3167; salvina.barcellona@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk Ursuline High School and Wimbledon College Sixth Form Open Evening: Thursday 10th October 5.00-7.00pm at UHS Site (SW20 8HA) www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/sixth-form</p>