



Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church

11 August 2019

# NINETEENTH 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

### NINETEETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

10 <sup>th</sup> Sat Vigil	18.30	Dereck Canavan – RIP ( <i>J. Brooks</i> )
11 <sup>th</sup> Sun	9.00	Shelia Somerlinck – RIP ( <i>FM</i> )
	11.00	Nan Healy – WB ( <i>M. Taylor</i> ) With blessing of baby Elliot Lavender
	18.00	<i>Pro Populo</i>

### WEEKDAY MASSES

**EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:** Monday – Friday at 8.30am

12 <sup>th</sup> Mon <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Mary Kerrigan – RIP ( <i>K. Kelleher</i> )
13 <sup>th</sup> Tues <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Personal Int of D. Thomas
	19.00	Anita, Jagath, Vincent & Mickel – RIP ( <i>Tissera Family</i> )
14 <sup>th</sup> Wed <i>St. Maximilian Kolbe</i>  <i>Vigil of The Assumption</i>	9.30	Josephine & Gregory Sebastiarpillai – RIP ( <i>Carmela</i> )
	19.00	Anna Szymanska – BD ( <i>Family</i> )
15 <sup>th</sup> Thurs  <i>The Assumption of the BVM</i>	7.00	Paula Gibbons – WB ( <i>G. Connors</i> )
	9.30	Teresa McCann Ballesteros ( <i>J. Ballesteros</i> )
	19.00	<i>Pro Populo</i>
16 <sup>th</sup> Fri <i>Feria</i>	7.00	Thanksgiving ( <i>Fr. Joseph</i> )
	9.30	Rebeca McCann Garcia ( <i>J. Ballesteros</i> )
17 <sup>th</sup> Sat <i>BVM Saturday Memorial</i>	9.00	Ann-Marie Connolly – WB

### TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

17 <sup>th</sup> Sat Vigil	18.30	Paddy Collen ( <i>M &amp; J Hoey</i> )
18 <sup>th</sup> Sun	9.00	Debbie & Nick Board 35 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anni ( <i>D Board</i> )
	11.00	<i>Pro Populo</i>
	18.00	Patrick Grogan – RIP ( <i>P. Grogan</i> )

### OTHER SERVICES

<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.15pm
<b>St Anthony of Padua</b>	Tuesday: after AM & PM Masses
<b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b>	Wednesday: after PM Mass
<b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>	1st Saturday of the month

### ON THE BLESSED VIRGIN AND THE CHURCH

According to the words of the apostle, our mediator is unique: "There is one God, and there is one mediator between God and human beings, the man Christ Jesus who gave himself as a ransom for them all" (1 Tm 2:5-6). Now the maternal role of Mary towards humanity in no way obscures or diminishes this mediation of Christ; rather it shows forth its power. For every saving influence that the blessed Virgin has on humanity arises not from any natural necessity but from the divine good pleasure; it flows forth from the superabundance of Christ's merits, is founded on his mediation, completely depends on this and from this draws all its power; it in no way hinders the direct union of believers with Christ, rather it fosters this union.

The blessed Virgin, predestined from eternity as the mother of God along with the incarnation of the divine Word, by the design of divine providence was the loving mother of the divine redeemer here on earth, a singularly generous companion beyond others, and the humble handmaid of the Lord. She conceived Christ, gave birth to him and nourished him, presented him to the Father in the temple, and suffered with her son as he was dying on the cross; in doing all this she cooperated in a very special way in the work of the saviour – through her obedience, faith, hope and burning charity – towards the restoration of the supernatural life of souls. For this reason, she has become our mother in the order of grace.

This motherhood of Mary in the economy of grace goes without interruption from the consent she faithfully gave at the annunciation, which she upheld without wavering at the foot of the cross, right on to the perpetual consummation of all the elect. For assumed into heaven she has not put aside this saving role, rather she continues by her many prayers of intercession to obtain for us gifts of eternal salvation. In her motherly love she looks after the sisters and brothers of her son who are still on their pilgrimage and placed amidst dangers and difficulties, until they are led to their happy homeland. Therefore, in the church the blessed Virgin is invoked by the titles of advocate, benefactress, helper and mediatrix. This, however, must be understood in such a way that it takes nothing away from the dignity and power of Christ the one mediator, and adds nothing to this. For no creature can ever be counted along with the incarnate Word and redeemer; but just as the priesthood of Christ is shared in a variety of ways both by ministers and by the faithful people, and just as the one goodness of God is really poured out on creatures in diverse ways, so also the one mediation of the redeemer does not rule out, but rouses up among creatures, participated cooperation from the one unique source.

This subordinate task of Mary the church does not hesitate to profess. The church experiences it continually and commends it to the heart of the faithful, so that supported by this motherly protection they may be more closely united to their mediator and saviour.

The blessed Virgin, through the gift and office of the divine motherhood which unites her with the Son the redeemer, and by reason of her singular graces and gifts, is also intimately united to the church: the mother of God is the type of the church, as already St Ambrose used to teach, that is to say, in the order of faith, charity and perfect union with Christ ...

While in the most blessed Virgin the church has already attained the perfection by which it is without stain or wrinkle (see Eph 5:27), the faithful continue to strive by overcoming sin to grow in holiness; therefore they lift up their eyes to Mary who shines out to the whole community of the elect as the model of virtues.

Vatican Council II, Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, *Lumen gentium* (1964), §§60-65.

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

<b>1ST READING</b>	Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
<b>2ND READING</b>	Hebrews 12:1-4
<b>GOSPEL</b>	Luke 12: 49-53

**PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE**

	<p><b>Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died</b> Kathleen Sheehy-Gregory, Fr. Paul Offu (Enugu Diocese, Nigeria), Coleen Whiteley, Ned Walsh and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time; and all those who mourn the loss of loved ones.</p>
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	<p><b>Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community:</b> Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, Eileen Pearce, Heather &amp; 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, Rita Reginald &amp; Frances Powell</p>
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**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

	<p><b>LAST WEEKEND</b></p> <p>Cash: £762.56                  Gift-aid: £624.77                      <b>Total: £1,387.33</b></p> <p><i>Thank you for your generosity to your parish.</i></p>
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**INFANT BAPTISM**

	<p>Please contact the Parish Office for information pack &amp; to register for the parent's course.  <b>Next course:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> September, at 10am in the Old Chapel.</p>
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**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PRAYER SPONSORS**

	<p>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!</p>
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**SPONSOR A CIBORIUM**

	<p>At least two of our ciboria have come to the end of their long service and are now completely broken. There is an opportunity, should you wish to partially or completely sponsor the cost of a new ciborium for the parish, maybe in memory of a loved one. Please see Fr. Ignatius or contact the Parish Office. Many thanks for your continued generosity to your parish.</p>
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**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

	<p>Thank you to all who have indicated interest to serve the parish through the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC).                  The inaugural meeting is scheduled for <b>after the 6pm Mass on Sunday, 15 September</b> 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.</p>
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**PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS**

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST:** is a Solemnity and a Holyday of Obligation. There will be four Masses here in the parish. **Vigil Mass: Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm; and 7am, 9.30am and 7pm on Thursday, the 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**PARISH TELEPHONE LINE**  
 Regrettably, our main telephone line is still down. We are working hard to rectify it as soon as possible. In the meantime, you may contact the Parish Office via the fax line **0208 399 3291** or by the email address. Thank you.

**Fr. JOSEPH**  
 Fr. Joseph is supplying at the Church of the Resurrection of our Lord, Sydenham Kirkdale until 29<sup>th</sup> August.

**RCIA**  
 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.

**OPEN DAYS: OUR LADY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
 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.

**DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS: SAT 28 SEPT 2019**  
 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.

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

**THE ANNUAL DAY FOR READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
 The annual day of recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers for South West Area will take place at St Boniface, Tooting SW17 9PG, on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019**. Please collect an invitation and programme sheet from the Narthex, fill in the booking form slip and return to Denise at the Parish Office. **All the Ministers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are requested to attend the day.** Many thanks.

**BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE**  
 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@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflkent@rcaos.org.uk)

**OPEN DAYS: THE URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL**  
 Dear Parents, you are invited to the following events:  
 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 6.30-8.30pm  
 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> September (appointments are for **Yr. 6 students only** with a parent and can be made from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September**)  
 For any further inquiries please contact; Admissions Officer, Mrs Salvina Barcellona: 020 8908 3167; [salvina.barcellona@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk](mailto:salvina.barcellona@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk)  
**Ursuline High School and Wimbledon College Sixth Form Open Evening:** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 5.00-7.00pm at UHS Site (SW20 8HA) [www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/sixth-form](http://www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/sixth-form)