



Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church

6 October 2019

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)**

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

**MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS**

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

5 Sat Vigil	18.30	Shay McGinlay – RIP ( <i>M. Campbell</i> )
6 Sun <i>Rosary Sunday</i>	9.00	<i>Pro Populo</i>
	11.00	Thomas & Margaret Kane – RIP ( <i>K. Jankowski</i> )
	<b>12.30</b>	<b>Baptism:</b> <i>Oliver Gallagher</i>
	18.00	Rita Sweeny – WB ( <i>Trutwein</i> )

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

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

7 Mon <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	9.30	Bertha D’Costa – RIP ( <i>D’Costa</i> )
8 Tues <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Mrs Mary Clifford ( <i>D. Clifford</i> )
	19.00	Oliver Patton – WB ( <i>Connolly</i> )
9 Wed <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Ronald Turnpenny – RIP ( <i>Marie &amp; Family</i> )
	19.00	Denis Dimilo - RIP
10 Thurs <i>Feria</i>	7.00	Oliver Patton - WB
	9.30	Hilda Ruby Powell – RIP ( <i>FM</i> )
11 Fri <i>Feria</i>	7.00	<i>Holy Souls</i>
	9.30	M.V. Thomas – RIP ( <i>4<sup>th</sup> Ann</i> )
	<b>19.00</b>	<b>Months Mind:</b> Joseph Edet Effiong
12 Sat <i>Feria</i>	9.00	Thanksgiving ( <i>K Jankowski</i> )

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

12 Sat Vigil	18.30	John & David Doyle ( <i>Doyle-Hall</i> )
13 Sun <i>Day of Prayer for Prisoners &amp; their Dependants</i>	9.00	John Cook – RIP ( <i>B &amp; D Marley</i> )
	11.00	Thanksgiving ( <i>Percy-Lister Family</i> )
	18.00	<i>ProPopulo</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

**“FAN INTO FLAME THE GIFT THAT YOU RECEIVE...”**

Writing to the young presbyter, Timothy, St. Paul in today’s second reading, persuades and – in a way, also challenges – him to make judicious use of the gift of the Holy Spirit that he received during the laying on of hands (*a kind of ‘ordination’ rite in the early Church*). The same apostolic admonition and mandate is applicable to all of us Christ’s faithful, each according to their vocation and state of life.

For all of us, the admonition contains, among others, a powerful affirmation of our common priesthood through holy baptism. “For,” as Vatican II clearly teaches, “by the regeneration and anointing of the holy Spirit the baptised are consecrated as spiritual dwelling and a holy priesthood, so that through the activity of Christian living they may offer spiritual sacrifices, and declare the powers of him who called them out of darkness into his marvellous light (see 1 Pt 2:4-10)” – *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, Lumen gentium*, §10.

*Mission* is, therefore, central to our common calling as disciples of Christ. In fact, as Pope Francis emphasises in *Evangelii gaudium* (§§119-121), there is no dichotomy between disciples and missionaries; for we are all called to be simultaneously followers (disciples) of, and witnesses (apostles, missionaries) of Christ; hence, in Francis’ words, *missionary-disciples* of Christ. The same emphasis is made by Paul when he admonishes Timothy further, “God’s gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So, you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord...” This is an important reminder to all of us of the precious gift that has been entrusted to us by the Holy Spirit. Of course, this gift requires constant nurturing through prayer, the sacraments, and above all, the courage to make use of it for the salvation of all.

To help us to rediscover and celebrate the centrality of *mission* in our Christian life and undertakings, Pope Francis has designated this month of October as an *Extraordinary Missionary Month*, with the theme, **“BAPTISED AND SENT OUT: THE CHURCH OF CHRIST ON THE MISSION TO THE WORLD.”** During this month, Pope Francis invites all of us to be *living witnesses to Christ* by living more intensely the following four areas:

1. A personal encounter with Jesus Christ alive in His Church through the Eucharist, the Word of God, personal and communal prayer;
2. Testimony: missionary saints, martyrs and confessors of the faith, as an expression of the Church scattered throughout the world;
3. Missionary formation: biblical, catechetical, spiritual and theological; and
4. Missionary charity.

Pope Francis also calls us to think about our collective responsibility as witnesses when he asks: “Can we, who have discovered that we are children of the heavenly Father, keep silent about the joy of being loved, the certainty of being ever precious in God’s eyes? That is a message that so many people are waiting to hear. And it is our responsibility. Let us ask ourselves this month: how good a witness am I?” (*Homily at Vespers to Inaugurate the Month*).

I would like to encourage everyone to find some space, amidst our rather busy lives, to remember, reflect, pray about, and celebrate the gift of our baptism and consider its continued impact in our lives as individuals, families, groups, and a Christian community as a whole.

Together with *The Year of the Word* which was inaugurated on Monday, and the month-long devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary, I believe the month of October provides us a great opportunity to grow in grace and holiness.

Lastly, as a new *Parish Pastoral Council* is inaugurated this Sunday, let us pray that through the collaboration of our brothers and sisters in the council, our parish will experience a renewal in mission. **IAE**

<b>NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS</b>	
<b>1ST READING</b>	Second Kings 5: 14-17
<b>2ND READING</b>	Second Timothy 2: 8-13
<b>GOSPEL</b>	Luke 17: 11-19

PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE	
	<b>Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died</b> Angela McCarthy, Joseph Edet Effiong, Carmela Arbia, Antionette Staunton, Tony Chesney, Derrick Butt and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time; and all those who mourn the loss of loved ones. May they rest in peace. Amen
	<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 & George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Sharon Kelly, Nan Healy, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Michael Emmett, Frances Sullivan, Sally Sheridan Loughrey, Michael Pearson, Antonio Ciaiola, Joan McGovern, Rita Reginald, Frances Powell, Angelica D'Agostino Jan Leightley & Elizabeth Saunders

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
	<b>LAST WEEKEND</b> <b>Cash:</b> £1,024.82 <b>Gift-aid:</b> £823.87 <b>Total: £1,848.69</b>  <i>Thank you for your generosity to your parish.</i>

INFANT BAPTISM	
	Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the pre-baptism course. <b>Next course:</b> 3 & 10 November, at 10am in the Old Chapel.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Next Children's Session:</b> Saturday, 19 October, Main Hall, 10.30-11.30am</li> <li><b>Next Parents' Session:</b> Monday, 21 October at 7.30pm in the Catholic Hall</li> </ol>

SPONSOR A CIBORIUM	
	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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING	
	The reconstituted Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will hold its inaugural meeting this Sunday ( <b>6 October</b> ) <b>after the 6pm Mass, in the OLD CHAPEL.</b> I want to use this opportunity to thank our brothers and sisters who have generously volunteered to serve the parish through the council, and all parishioners for your prayers throughout the period of discernment towards the formation of the PPC.

† JOSEPH EDET EFFIONG (1940 – 2019) – RIP	
I want to thank all parishioners for your kind condolences, prayers and support to me on the death of my father, Joseph. My mum and siblings have also sent their heartfelt appreciation. On their behalf, I would like to invite you all to a Mass in his memory here in the parish as follows: <b>Memorial (Month's Mind) Mass:</b> Friday, 11 October at 7pm, followed by reception in the Catholic Hall. Thank you. <b>IAE</b>	

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS	
<b>SUBMISSION OF ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER</b> For inclusion in parish newsletter, notices need to be received by <b>2pm on Wednesday</b> at the latest. Please remember to keep them <b>VERY BRIEF</b> as space is limited. Thank you.	
<b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE ON WEDNESDAYS</b> For the foreseeable future the Parish Secretary will not be available on Wednesdays. The Parish Office will be closed on that day. Thank you.	
<b>REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS</b> If you require a specific date for a Mass intention, please request it as soon as possible and we will endeavour to accommodate the date requested. If an urgent need for a prayer is required, we will attempt to change an existing Intention, with the agreement of the donor.	
<b>THE LENTEN PROJECT 2019 TOTAL:    £15,552.37</b> The monies have now been distributed to the adopted charities: <b>The Indian Diocese of Nellore Chapel repairs    £3,855</b> <b>The St Joseph's Boys Hostel, Sri Lanka    £3,855</b> <b>The St Kizito Primary School, Buwoola, Uganda    £3,855</b> <b>The Daughters of Divine Love, Nigeria    £3,855</b> Thank you for your continued support and generosity. We will shortly be meeting for the Lenten Project AGM – details to follow. If you have a charity nomination for 2020 please see the criteria and an application form on the Parish website. <i>The Lenten Project Committee.</i>	
<b>UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS - SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER</b> We shall join Kate for our guided tour of Spitalfields. Please meet up at 10.15am outside platform 2 on Waterloo station. Tuesday October 15 Margaret will give us an illustrated talk on the Scottish Borders. Meeting will start at 7.30pm in the old chapel. Everyone is welcome to these events. Thanks to all who contributed to the Bring and Buy Sale last month. Your generosity raised £55.05 for Aid to the Church in Need.	
<b>ALTAR SERVERS GUILD</b> Would all Servers please note that the new servers' rota is now available on the parish website. Please also remember to tick your name off in the rota in the sacristy each time you serve. Many Thanks for your cooperation and help. <i>Jacques Lambert, Parish MC.</i>	
<b>CATENIAN ASSOCIATION</b> A Member of the Kingston Circle of the Catenian Association will be giving a short presentation after Communion this weekend. The Catenians are an association of Catholic laymen who are committed to their Faith, their families, to those in need, and to each other. The Kingston Circle meets on the first Tuesday of each month at Malden Golf Club in New Malden. It also arranges a range of activities during the year including a Golf Day, Darts Night, Snooker Competition and Skittles Evening. To find out more about the Catenians, please contact the local Membership Officer, Jim Foster, at jamestfoster1@btinternet.com or on 07718 778586.	
<b>PLACES ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR:</b> <b>THE ANNUAL DAY FOR READERS &amp; EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Saturday 26 October 2019</b> at St Boniface, Tooting. Please contact the Parish Office.	
<b>OPEN DAYS: OUR LADY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL</b> Dear Parents, you are invited to visit the school as prospective parents for admission in 2020. We are offering tours of the school and opportunity to meet the Head on Friday 11 October at 9.15am and Friday 22 November at 9.15am.	
<b>URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL AND WIMBLEDON COLLEGE SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING</b> Thurs 10 Oct (5.00-8.00pm) at UHS Site, Sports Hall (SW20 8HA)	
<b>JPIC AUTUMN ASSEMBLY</b> Saturday 12 October 2019 Registration at 10.30 am. The event finishes at 4 pm at The Hermitage, More Park, West Malling KENT ME19 6HN. The Diocesan Communications Team would like to inform you of the <b>Justice and Peace in Creation Autumn Assembly</b> , which will focus this year on Human Trafficking. There will be sessions with Cafod and the Medialle Trust and input from Bishop Pat Lynch and Fr Mark Odion on behalf of the Santa Marta Group. The event is free to attend but participants are asked to bring their own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.	