

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

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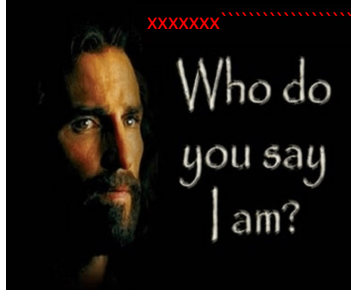
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24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me" says the Lord Jesus.

Peter had seen rightly: Jesus is the Christ! The title is ambiguous, as Jesus knows, and so he tells them that for him the way to glory is by suffering and death. And not for him only: the disciples will have to follow the same way. Who is Jesus Christ? Still a living question. No amount of acquired knowledge about him will ever replace a personal knowledge of Jesus which results from a progressive sharing in his life, to the extent of losing oneself and encountering the cross with him. The cross: the place of truth for the Christian.



Weekend Mass Intentions

- Sat: 8.45am – Church opens with Exposition
9.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary
10.00am – For the People of Afghanistan
5.00pm – Intentions of Peter Thorpe
- Sun: 8.00am – Intentions of Collette Cullen
9.30am – Marie Francaisa Babet - Unwell
11.00am – Private Intention (JS)
5.00pm – For the Intentions of Parishioners

Weekday Mass Intentions

- Mon: 8.15am – Church opens with Exposition
9.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary
10.00am – Joseph Rezenah - RIP
- Followed by Exposition until 11.30am
- Tue: 8.15am – Church opens with Exposition
9.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary
10.00am – Bernard Marie - RIP
- Followed by Exposition until 11.30am
- Followed by the Chaplet of St Michael
- Wed: 8.15am – Church opens with Exposition
9.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary
10.00am – For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
- Followed by Exposition until 11.00am
- Followed by Devotions to St Joseph
- Thu: 8.15am – Church opens with Exposition
9.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary
10.00am – Vermeil Joson - RIP
- Followed by Exposition until 11.30am
- Fri: 6.00pm – Church opens with Exposition
6.30pm – Evening Prayer & Rosary
7.30pm – Rupert Greene - RIP
- Followed by Novena to O.L. of the Miraculous Medal
- Sat: 8.45am – Church opens with Exposition
9.00am – Morning Prayer & Rosary
10.00am – For the Holy Father's Intentions
- Followed by Confessions until 11.30am
5.00pm – Sir Albert Offonze - RIP

HOME MISSION DAY – Sunday 19th September
2nd Collection for Home Mission Appeal

Holy Father's Prayer intentions for September:
For an Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle – We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this

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Contactless Giving/Paying



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2. Choose the amount
3. Tap your card to donate/pay
4. Complete a Gift Aid Form



CONFESSIONS

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 11th September – 10.30am to 11.30am

Saturday 18th September – 10.30am to 11.30am

Confessions are heard in the Sacristy at the front of the church – either face to face or anonymously. Always prepare for confession by making an examination of conscience. Please try to get into the habit of going to Confession on a regular basis, say two or three times each year. If you haven't been for a long time – take the plunge and then it gets easier.



ST STEPHEN'S GUILD MASS for all Altar Servers on Saturday 2nd October. Please sign up in Sacristy. A coach will leave the church at 12.15pm sharp.

HARVEST WEEKEND

2ND/3RD October 2021

As usual we will be supporting two charities. **CAFOD & THE MANNA DAY CENTRE.** There will be a second collection for **CAFOD** – please use and return the special envelopes – please complete the Gift Aid section. For the **MANNA** – please begin by bringing in your donations of food etc. as soon as possible. They are very desperate this year so please be as generous as possible. Bring your donations to the church or to the house any time. Thanks

AUTUMN SMALL GROUP FAITH SHARING

Our usual season of Small Group Faith Sharing will begin in October. It has been produced for the *Year of St Joseph* and is entitled *"With a Father's Love."* It will take us on a journey through Pope Francis' letter **PATRIS CORDE.** More news soon.

DAY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY

Saturday 9th October 2021

If you would like to join us on our annual day pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham then please book your place by giving your name and the £15 cost to one of the stewards in the porch. A coach will leave from the parish at 7.00am. Bring a picnic lunch and an umbrella just in case,

9 Day Pilgrimage to HOLY LAND

12th to 20th May 2022

The price is £1,289 per person, half board, for 9days/8 nights. This includes 3 nights in Bethlehem, 3 nights in Jerusalem and 2 nights in Tiberias. Return flights from Heathrow and transfers. Not included is insurance, lunches and gratuities. Pick up an itinerary and booking form from the porch. Please book before the end of August.

PRAYERS PLEASE

Stephanie Molloy - Anniversary
Ernest Ndulor – RIP. – David Oh-Wow - Anniv. **Rosetta Rotella – Sick.** Eliston Carron – Recovery. **Elvira Calsado - RIP.** Anna Nakalanzi – Sick **Sebastian Fernandes - RIP.** Dennis Swanton - Anniversary **Frances Paul – Recovery.** Neil Roday Jones - Unwell. Peter Thorp - Sick. **Intentions of Gillian Dawson.** Evette Simon - RIP & Willie Simon - Unwell. **Marie Francaisa Babet - Sick.** Dennis Swanton - Anniv **Patsy Conway – Sick.** John Spagnoli - RIP. **Eileen Daly – Anniv of Birth.** Liam Sullivan - Recovery. **Chris Jones - RIP** Charles Lusiba - RIP. **Anna Nakalazi - Sick.** Michael Matovu - Anniv. **Donald Mbeutcha – Sick.** John Mukasa - RIP. **Paul Muwaza - RIP.** Brian - RIP. **Tony Gibson - RIP.** John Meehan – Prayers. **Roy Felgate – Prayers.** Mary Conway – Sick Sir Albert Offonze - RIP

ALPHA – SEPTEMBER 2021 (each Monday at 7.30pm beginning 20th September) **AT MARY MOTHER OF GOD**

Please join us to share food conversation and faith

To book your place:
Phone 020 8804 2149 (Parish House) or
E-mail: pondersend@rcdow.org.uk

What is Alpha?

The **Alpha Course** is a course which seeks to introduce the basics of the Christian faith through a series of talks and discussions. It is "an opportunity to explore the meaning of life" Alpha courses are being run in churches, homes, workplaces, prisons, universities and a wide variety of other locations. No Alpha is the same but all have the three key elements in common: food, a talk/film and good conversation.

When we begin, come and join us to build the community within our church and our homes.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 13th September – 7.30pm in Hall

This is the first meeting for a long time so please make every effort to attend. Any parishioner is welcome to attend this meeting

REGISTRATION FOR PREPARATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2022

The Parent's Meetings below will be the last opportunity to register your young people for preparation for Sacraments. Please pick up a Registration form from church and bring them with necessary documents (**long birth certificate & baptismal certificate**) to these meetings together with the registration fee for the programme.

Communion Parent's Meeting: Saturday 18th September at 3.00pm in the hall. Preparation begins on Sunday 26th September in church 9.15am
Confirmation Parent's Meeting: Tuesday 21st September at 7.30pm in the hall – one parent and the Confirmation Candidate. Preparation begins on Tuesday 28th September at 6.45pm in hall sharp!