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7<sup>th</sup> October 2018 ~ 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

week beginning Sat 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018

6 <sup>th</sup> Sat	<b>(Vigil of Sunday)</b> 6.00pm People of the Parish
7 <sup>th</sup> Sun	<b>27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 8.30am Sour Maria & Sour Eleonora RIP Anniv 10.00am Tony Crick RIP 11.30am Narendra Amin RIP
8 <sup>th</sup> Mon	<b>Feria</b> 9.30am Eileen Harford RIP
9 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Bl John Henry Newman, Priest</b> 9.30am Grace O'Malley RIP <b>5.30pm Requiem Mass for Ramesh Logeswaran Peter RIP</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> Wed	<b>St Paulinus of York, Bishop</b> - no mass
11 <sup>th</sup> Thu	<b>St John XXIII, Pope</b> 9.30am Vera Grey
12 <sup>th</sup> Fri	<b>St Wilfrid, Bishop</b> 9.30am Special Intention

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45pm  
and by appointment

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 8.15am - 9.15am (**not 8<sup>th</sup> Oct**)  
First Friday 10am - 11am (concluding with Benediction)

### Baptisms

First Saturday at Noon

### Next Sunday's Readings:

Wisdom 7:7-11, Hebrews 4:12-13, Mark 10:17-30 (or 10:17-27)



**Month of the Rosary**

## TO LIVE THE GIFT OF OUR FAITH WITH JOY



Every five years bishops are required to make an 'ad limina' visit to Rome, 'ad limina apostolorum' meaning literally 'to the threshold of the apostles.' They visit and pray at the the thresholds of the tombs of the Apostles, Saints Peter and Paul, and meet the Pope to report on the state of their dioceses.

Cardinal Vincent and the English and Welsh bishops recently made their 'ad limina' visit to Rome. There was a lot to discuss and the statement on the noticeboard in the porch describes their visit. It tells of how the Holy Father spoke movingly of the wounds inflicted by abuse and neglect. They discussed the Eucharistic Congress and remark how it is from prayer, especially before the Blessed Sacrament, that the mission of each of the baptised springs. Pope Francis also urged them to walk with those engaged in social action projects to draw them nearer to the Lord the source of compassion.

They asked the Pope for a simple message; this was **to live the gift of our faith with joy** rooted firmly in our relationship with Jesus. The joy of knowing that he is with us and of knowing the presence of the Holy Spirit at work in our lives; a joy of knowing our Heavenly Father is waiting for us and longing to hold us in his embrace of loving mercy. That seems like good advice to me so let's not be afraid to smile as we leave mass today!

Every blessing for the week ahead

*Fr Graham*

**Please keep the sick in your prayers. A list of sick parishioners is displayed on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.**

**SVP** If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society, please ring Katherine on 020 8868 8512 or Tony on 020 8868 3205. If you would like to be visited by a priest and/or regularly with Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

**Recently Deceased**, Annalise, Helen Forest, Evelyn Kelly.

**Pray also For** Sour Maria & Sour Eleonora, Dennis O'Connor, Edith Steinitz, Joseph McGeoghan, George Mahon, Louisa Tydda, Bryan Cross, Gwladys Smith, Phyllis Berry whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Please Remember** Ramesh Logeswran Peter who has died. Requiem Mass at St John Fisher on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 5.30pm. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

**No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** this Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> October, as Fr Graham is attending a school governors meeting. The church will still be open for private prayer.

**Pauline Angold (née Rogers) RIP** Sheila, John & family would like to thank everyone for their messages of sympathy, prayers, mass cards and support during their recent sad loss. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

**School Admission** Fr. Graham will be available to sign Certificates of Catholic Practice for **SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFERS** on **Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> October at 6.00pm-8.00pm** in the Fisher Room (*forms have to be with the schools by 31<sup>st</sup> October at the latest*) by APPOINTMENT ONLY so please contact Claudia McHugh on [claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk) / 8429 5681. *When making your appointment please advise the number of schools you are applying for, your child's name & a contact telephone number.* If applying for the London Oratory please bring copies of any forms you need to submit. **The Certificate of Catholic Practice** must be completed for all applications to schools (one per school) that use 'practising Catholic' as a criterion admission; *It is not reasonable to expect a Certificate of Catholic Practice to be signed if you are not a regular church-going parishioner* <https://education.rcdow.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/Certificate-of-Catholic-Practice.pdf>

**Parishioner Gatherings** Fr Graham continues to offer parishioners the opportunity to meet with him in small groups, in your homes or the Fisher Room, to get to know you and reflect and discuss the life of our parish. If you would like to host an event for a small group or just your family, please contact him. Otherwise there will be a gathering **after the 11.30am mass on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October in the Fisher Room.**

**Knitting Group** will meet on **Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> October** at 2pm in the Fisher Room.

**CAFOD Christmas cards** Last year sales of cards and Traidcraft gifts in the parish made a profit of £289 for CAFOD and we would like to do even better this year! Come and view the 2018 Christmas cards in the porch after all masses **next weekend**. No cards will be sold (so that the full range can be seen after 11.30am mass) but orders will be taken. From 20<sup>th</sup> October the stall will be open after mass every weekend to buy cards & collect orders. If you can spare a little time to help staff the stall, please leave your name and contact details at the stall or email [sjfracraft@gmail.com](mailto:sjfracraft@gmail.com).

**Traidcraft monthly food stall** will be open after all masses **next weekend**. The Parish has supported Traidcraft for the last 11

years and, sadly, they expect to cease operating at the end of this year. They trade in US dollars & have been unable to absorb the fall in the value of the pound while maintaining fair prices for suppliers & keeping prices affordable. Traidcraft pioneered Fairtrade 40 years ago & have direct relationships with many small producers who will be affected by the closure so please pray for a good outcome for suppliers and for staff in the UK. Traidcraft aims to finish with a successful final few months trading so do come and buy something from the stall.

**Eucharistic Ministers & Readers Rotas** The new rotas for 13<sup>th</sup> October to 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 are ready for collection from the relevant pigeonhole in the Church porch.

**Counting Rota** The new rota for 14<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019 has been sent out by email. There are hard copies in the relevant pigeonholes for counters who do not have an email address.

**Collection for Caritas Bakhita House** The SJF Knitting Team knits items for the guests of Bakhita House. 90 females, vulnerable and traumatised survivors of trafficking and modern slavery, have been helped in this safe house. 18 new guests have just arrived with nothing at all. Therefore we are organizing a collection of **NEW** toiletries and by request, pants, socks and nightwear as these are items not sold in Charity Shops. Collection of goods will be on the weekend of **3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> November** - please be generous. Please do not leave items in the Church porch – if you cannot come that weekend then please drop them off into the presbytery. This is part of our Love in Action 'Because you are worth it' initiative.

**St John Fisher School Harvest Assembly** We are delighted to invite senior parishioners to our school's Harvest Assembly followed by refreshments on **Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> October** at 10.00am in the school hall. We hope many will be able to join us.

**Flower Arranging Class on pedestals** on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am-1.00pm at St Thomas More RC Church, 32 Field End Road, Pinner HA5 2Q. If you are interested in helping with the flower arranging at St John Fisher, please come along and watch. Contact Ann French on 020 8868 5163.

**Our Lady of Willesden Procession** On Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, 1 Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX. For more info please see porch noticeboard.

**Lectio Divina: ruminating on the Scriptures–Retreat day with Sister Anne Walsh OP** On Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 (9.30 for 10.00am until 3.00pm) at Niland Conference Centre, Rosary Priory, 93 Elstree Road, Bushey Heath WD23 4EE. Suggested donation £14. Registration is required at [livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk) or leave a message at 020 7931 6078.

**'What is the point of praying?' A series of evenings on the healing power of prayer with Fr Keith Barltrop** On Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> October & Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 7pm to 8pm, Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. Suggested donation £5. Registration is required at [livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk) or leave a voice message at 020 7931 6078.

**Service to mark Inter Faith Week** at Kol Chai – The Hatch End Reform Jewish Community on **Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> November** 2018, 10.30am-12.30pm, led by Rabbi Naomi Goldman. For more info please see poster on porch noticeboard.

**CAFOD Harvest Fast Day 5<sup>th</sup> October** Please return your envelopes today. If you are a taxpayer, please remember to fill in your Gift Aid details. Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity.