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10th JULY 2022 – 15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 10.00am Mass and highlighted Masses livestreamed on 'St John Fisher North Harrow' YouTube channel

9th Sat Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

10.00am Sharon McCarthy

Vigil of Sunday

6.00pm Joseph Thevasothy RIP

10th Sun 15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am People of the Parish

10.00am Anthony D'Souza RIP

11.30am Mrs Frankie Ryan RIP

11th Mon ST BENEDICT, Abbot, Patron of Europe

10.00am Stella Mesquita RIP

12th Tue feria

10.00am Mary Morgan (Speedy Recovery)

13th Wed St Henry

NO PUBLIC MASS

14th Thu feria

7.00pm Haruna Bwanika RIP

15th Fri St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor

10.00am Doris & Eric Lafrenais

16th Sat Our Lady of Mount Carmel

10.00am Kathleen Stokes RIP/Birthday

Vigil of Sunday

6.00pm Theresa Fernandes RIP

17th Sun 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am People of The Parish

10.00am Gabriel Faria

11.30am Joe Mesquita RIP & Stella Mesquita RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.30-11.30am & 5.15-5.45pm
and by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 9am-9.45am

Saturday, First Friday (with Benediction): after Mass – 11.30am

Baptisms, Funerals & Weddings – by appointment

Sacrament of the Sick – please speak to a priest or contact the parish office leaving a message if there is no reply

For Northwick Park Hospital call 020 8967 5130
r email or lnwh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

AS FOR ME IN MY POVERTY AND PAIN, LET YOUR HELP, O GOD, LIFT ME UP

Every year churches around the world celebrate Sea Sunday when we pray for seafarers and thank them for their vital role in all of our lives. They often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break. Stella Maris ('Star of the Sea' – a title attributed to the Blessed Virgin Mary) is the maritime agency of the Catholic Church. Its chaplains provide practical help and pastoral care to seafarers in the UK and around the world supporting them lifting them up amidst their poverty and pain. For more information on their work visit www.stellamaris.org.uk

Meanwhile Fr Axcel too has been calling on God's help, writing that "In this pilgrimage I experienced true physical weakness climbing the mountain of Sinai. I needed others to climb this mountain - the people God put in my life. We had two Bedouin guides



and thanks to them and the others on the pilgrimage we made it to the top at dawn and were able to celebrate the Eucharist to thank God for bringing us to the place Moses received the covenant for his people."

Whether in the course of their work on the sea or as a pilgrim life can have struggles but God always provides for us through the people and support he gives us. Let us pray this psalm this weekend asking God to have the grace to be in communion with those people he puts in our life.

With every blessing for the week ahead, Fr Graham

Reflect on next Sunday's Readings with the help of

www.wednesdayword.org

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10 Psalm 14,

Colossians 1:24-28, Luke 10: 38-42

REGULAR NOTICES

If you or a sick relative could benefit from a visit from the parish **St Vincent de Paul Society**, please contact the parish office or SVP direct on **07935 776298**.

If you would like a visit from the priest and/or to regularly receive **Holy Communion**, please contact the parish office.

Recently deceased – Jacqui Mesquita-Morris, John Hughes
Father David Wilson,

Pray also Margaret Bladun, Mary Ann Brady, Douglas Wilton, Michael Mulvaney, Alison Smith, Bridie Fitzgerald, Mary McKenna, Nancy Martin, John Hughes, Bruno Zanelli, Dorothy Payne, Josephine Matthew, Maureen Duran, Ted Green, Fr Bernard McKenna, and all whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Spiritans Mission Appeal – Many thanks to Fr David Atuanya from the Spiritan Community in Archway who came last weekend to celebrate the Masses and to make a Mission Appeal on behalf of his order. The appeal remains open this weekend if you did not have a chance to give; you may also contribute using the contactless device at the back of the church..

Weekday Mass times in July and August – please pay particular attention to the weekday Wednesday and Thursday Masses during July and August as, when one of the priests are away, these Masses may not take place.

St John Fisher School Leavers' Mass - There will be a Mass on Monday 18th July at 11.15am in the church for those in Year 6 at our school, together with their families. We pray for them as they continue their education at new schools from the Autumn.

St John Fisher School Summer Fete – A big thank you to all who helped to make the Fete such a success. The parish plant, cake and tea stalls were well supported with generous donations. A special thank you to all those who manned the stalls for the afternoon and those who helped unload the tables into the garage on Monday. The school worked hard to make the event a success and we were pleased to play our part. The total amount made for the Parish should be available next week.

Plant stall raffle - Could Mr Power please contact alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com to collect his prize.

Reading at Mass – We will be holding a training session in September for any parishioners who would like to proclaim the Word of God at Mass. Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr Axcel or Fr Graham after Mass if you are interested in being a Reader. There will be a time of recollection and training arranged for all readers on a Saturday morning in October.

Contacting the Catholic Chaplain at Northwick Park Hospital – The process of contacting Fr Agustin Paunon, the Catholic chaplain at Northwick Park Hospital, has changed. Please now call 020 8967 5130 or e-mail nwh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

Exploring the Catholic Faith: Enquiry sessions are starting soon for those who wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic faith. Meetings will take place weekly and continue through the year until Easter. Sessions are for unbaptised adults and baptised non-Catholics who wish to inquire about certain aspects of the faith, learn more about the Catholic Church, her practices and history and/or seek full membership. Catholics

who may not have been confirmed or simply wish to renew, to deepen, or to share their faith are invited as well. Please speak to Fr Graham, Fr Axcel or Jan (parish catechist) to find out more.

Parish Renewal 'Divine Renovation' reading group – Sixteen people came to the launch of our Divine Renovation reading group recently. Fr Graham outlined some of the context and principles of Divine Renovation and we watched an interview with Fr James Mallon, the book's author (available at <https://youtu.be/C18V0l28-2U>). The group will read chapter 1 of the book over the summer and meet to discuss in the Autumn. If you would like to be part of that discussion it's not too late; please contact Fr Graham over the summer.

Poor Box – Thanks to your generosity over recent years we have been able to support local needs through our active SVP group as well as send donations to a number of local and Catholic good causes including Harrow Foodbank, The Passage, Aid to the Church in Need, Friends of the Holy Land, Good Counsel Network, Little Sisters of the Poor, Cardinal Hume Centre, Prisons Advice and Care Trust, Providence Row, Catholic Children's Society, and Mary's Meals. Once again we need to consider a similar distribution to ensure that the money you give gets to work in support of the poor and needy. If there is a local or Catholic good cause that you would like to be considered for such support please contact Fr Graham.

Churches Together in North Harrow – Summer Quiz **Saturday 16th July at 7.30 pm** at North Harrow Methodist Church. A friendly competition between the churches. Please see Church Notice Board for more information or contact Fr Graham.

World Youth Day 2023 – Looking To Lisbon -World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at www.dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training / or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at youth@rcdow.org.uk. Please apply by **31 July 2022**.

DEANERY & DIOCESAN NOTICES

Talk by the Baroness Cox on Tuesday 12th July, 8pm at Christ Church Roxeth, HA2 0JN HART (The Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust) was founded by Baroness Cox & works with local partners to provide aid and advocacy in eight countries that are suffering or recovering from conflict. In her talk, arranged by the Harrow Group of ACAT, Baroness Cox will give an up to date picture of the work of HART in rarely reported conflict zones. All are welcome and there will be a retiring collection for HART.

St Bernadette Relic Tour – In the Autumn the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage across the country for the first time. This will provide an opportunity for everyone to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in a church or cathedral near them. The relics will be in the Diocese from 3rd to 7th September, 17th to 18th October and 28th to 30th October. For full details visit www.stbernadette.org.uk

OTHER NOTICES – (On Line Only)

The Parish Women's Group are holding a Book Club evening in October. They will be discussing 'The Beekeeper of Aleppo' by Christy Lefteri, recommending books to one another plus enjoying socialising with light refreshments. We are a friendly, welcoming group, open to all women of the parish. More details nearer the time or ring Barbara: 020 8866 6665.

Walsingham Pilgrimage – Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of life Saturday 6 th August 12pm with Bishop Philip Egan. Please see parish notice board for further details

St Gregory's Catholic Science College and **Sacred Heart School** are advertising for various positions. Please see the Parish notice board for information

Marriage Enrichment Weekend - 16-17th July 2022. Marriage Encounter are hosting a non-residential marriage enrichment weekend. This is a wonderful opportunity for couples to spend time reflecting on, refreshing and rejoicing in their wonderful vocation. For details go to: <https://wwme.org.uk/weekend/me-weekendhendon-16th-to-17th-july-2022/>

March For Life 3rd September - See more details on leaflets in church porch or at www.marchforlife.co.uk