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17th JULY 2022 – 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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

16th Sat Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
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

18th Mon *feria*

10.00am The Keanes

19th Tue *feria*

10.00am Nora Molloy RIP/Anniv

20th Wed *St Apollinaris*

10.00am Kumariah Ravindrakumar RIP

21st Thu St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor
No Mass

22nd Fri *ST MARY MAGDALENE*

10.00am George Standon RIP/1st Anniv

23rd Sat *ST BRIDGET OF SWENDEN*

10.00am Joe & Stella Mesquita, Jacqui Mesquita-Morris RIP

Vigil of Sunday

6.00pm Antony Fernandes RIP

24th Sun 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am Patricia McGill RIP

10.00am Sally Sloane RIP/Anniv

11.30am People of the Parish

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
or email lnwh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

“THE DISCIPLE TOOK HER TO HIS OWN HOME” (John 19:27)

As I write this I look forward to spending some time next week in North Devon with the Sisters of Mary Morning Star. As you will see from the picture these are a group of young religious sisters who have moved into a former Poor Clare convent in Lynton and live a contemplative



vocation which calls them to a life of silent prayer centered on the mystery of the Eucharist. They seek to follow Saint John the Evangelist in order to take Mary into their home (John 19:27) and, with her, be united to Jesus offering His life to the Father. Solitude and silence allow them to deepen their personal relationship with Christ and the Virgin Mary. One of their particular prayer intentions is to pray for parish renewal so it is a real grace for me to be able to spend some time with their community, in prayer and the liturgy, reading and walking the coastal pathways of North Devon.

They were recommended as a place to visit by the then Bishop of Plymouth, our former seminary rector Bishop Mark O'Toole (also pictured). He has since moved on to become Archbishop of Cardiff and Bishop of Menevia so it is a trustworthy recommendation!

Please keep me in your prayers as I remember all the people of our parish and reflect on the last year and pray for much fruit in the year to come.

With every blessing for the week ahead, Fr Graham

Reflect on next Sunday's Readings with the help of

www.wednesdayword.org

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 137,

Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11: 1-13

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 – Margaret O’Farrell, Miguel de Souza

Pray also for Walter Walsh, John Rainsford, Peggy Mckenna, Calista Mary Henry, Sr Aileen Vear, Kevin O’Riordan, Horst Nekut, John Cunningham, Kevin Flynn, , Paddy O’Brien, Arkadiusz Bowcariwski, Beatrice Pereira, , Thomas Morris Blanche Contaminard, Bridget Byrne, Mary Patricia Danaher, Ida Bastiampillai, Mary Cleary, John Bennet, Antonia Berta Deasy “Betty”, George Standon and all whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Office is not staffed this week due to holidays; if your enquiry can wait until next week that would be much appreciated otherwise please be patient. Thank you.

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.

The Funeral Mass for Margaret O’Farrell RIP will take place on **Monday 25th July at 11.30am** followed by burial at Carpendars Park Cemetery. Please keep Margaret and her family in your prayers at this time

St John Fisher School Leavers’ Mass - This Mass for those in Year 6 at our school, together with their families will now take place at school. 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 raised £771 for the parish.

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 Pahunon, 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 be Baptised, Confirmed or received into the Catholic Church or simply find out more.. 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/C18V0I28-2U>) . 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. 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, such as St Luke’s Hospice, please 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**.

Building works – The next works to take place will be the **replacement of the wooden fence at the back of the parish centre** by the storage shed; this should take place this Thursday and is being paid for by UK Power Networks who have accepted ownership of the fence. Later in the summer works should begin to turn our **Reconciliation Room into a Confessional** by installing a door between it and the church narthex as well as a fixed screen inside. This will ensure the safety of both penitent and the priest. Thank you for your continued support of the parish that makes such improvements possible.

DEANERY & DIOCESAN NOTICES

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

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. More details nearer the time or ring Barbara: 020 8866 6665.

Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage –This will take place on the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, Saturday 24th September. More details to follow.