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23rd JULY 2022 – 31st 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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

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

25th Mon St James, Apostle

10:00 am Doris and Eric Lafrenais

11:30 am Funeral Mass of Margaret O'Farrell

26th Tue Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 am Catherine and Edward Biankek, Anniversary

27th Wed Feria

No Mass

28th Thurs Feria

7:00 pm The late Maria Mene and Charles Kacanzi

29th Fri Ss Martha, Maria, and Lazarus

10:00 am Greg Ambrose, RIP

30th Sat Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor

10:00 am Bridie McGill RIP

Followed by Confession and Adoration

12:00 pm Baptism of Ezekiel Kamille

Vigil of Sunday

6:00 pm Feliciana Fernandes, RIP

31st Sun 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 am Daol Mukadi Katumba RIP

10:00 am Manuel and Julie Rodrigues

11:30 am People of the Parish

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

Father, Your Will be done" (Luke 11:1-13)

Brothers and sisters the Photo I have uploaded is from a 1st century synagogue lectern found in the port town of Migdal. The place where St Mary Magdalene is from. The reason I put this picture is because



something ancient and well preserved may have been touch and used by Our lord Jesus. As we know, he taught and read in the synagogues in the areas he visited. He may have taught from this lectern as well. We know the pharisees and those that followed him knew there was something different from the way he taught. His authority was not without signs. Last week we celebrated the feast day of Mary Magdalene a woman who was grateful for being delivered from 7 demons and a woman who from her resources helped the cause of the gospel. She is from this town and the apostles with the Lord had a home here although Jesus knew where he was heading and his real home was in the Father's house.

Jesus knew he had to enter the Father's will. This week we hear in the gospel that Jesus teaches his apostles the prayer of the, Our Father. Christ will and the fathers are one, that's where his freedom and authority came from, He trusted in God the Father. He invites us to do the same. The word of God that is read every Sunday from the lectern has the power to transform our lives if we listen. Christ the Word made flesh transformed those who were open to him like Mary Magdalene. For you and for me are we open to be transformed by Christ the living word of God? If we say yes then we can begin a life long journey with him if we open our wills to his?

Like Mathew chapter 28, Jesus says to his apostles and to us; I am with you even to the end of the ages. Christ is with us all the time is up to us to take advantage of the gifts he gives us through his Church so we can too be one with his will.

Blessing for the week ahead, Fr Axcel

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

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 - five job vacancies in the school. There are five vacancies in the school and anyone interested could go to the school website for more information? Let us support our local Catholic School.

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 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/C18VOI28-2U>) . 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.