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Sunday 15th September 2019

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 15th September 2019

Twenty fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.15pm (Saturday 14th September 2019)

Nicholas Nawrat RIP

8.30am People of the Parish

10am Rita Chapman RIP

(LIFE Coffee Morning after this Mass)

11.30am Michael McCready RIP

(Plainchant Choir singing at this Mass)

(LIFE Coffee Morning after this Mass)

4pm Benediction

5pm The Holy Souls

Twenty fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 16th September 2019

Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,

Bishop, Martyrs (Memorial)

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am The Holy Souls

Tuesday 17th September 2019

7.30am Tadeusz Budzynski RIP

10am Intentions of Fr Innocent

Wednesday 18th September 2019

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Thanksgiving – Rita Bethune

Thursday 19th September 2019

7.30am Maria Mendyk RIP

10am The Holy Souls

Friday 20th September 2019

St Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest,

and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang,
and companions, Martyrs (Memorial)

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am The Holy Souls

7.30pm Rosary for the unborn

8pm The Holy Innocents

Saturday 21st September 2019

St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist (Feast)

10am Pietro Mobile RIP

Next Sunday 22nd September 2019

Twenty fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.15pm (Saturday 21st September 2019)

Carmen & Sauveur Vella RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am Alison Furtado – 21st Birthday

11.30am **Polyphony Choir**

50th Anniversary Mass with
Archbishop John Wilson presiding

4pm Benediction

5pm Theresa Ndika RIP

Daily Mass & Prayer

***Mass:** Monday – Friday @ 7.30am

***Morning Prayer of the Church:**

Monday – Saturday @ 9.15am

***Adoration & Benediction:**

Monday – Saturday @ 9.30am

***Mass:** Monday – Saturday @ 10am

***Mass:** Friday @ 8pm

***Rosary:** Monday – Saturday @ 10.30am

Rosary for the unborn: Friday @ 7.30pm

***Confessions:**

Saturdays, after 10am Mass, until

11am; Then from 5pm to 6pm.

(and at call, if a priest is available.)

Parish Mass Book: This Sunday P.136

THANKYOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Last week's collection came to **£1890.00**,
including £650.00 in standing orders.

You also kindly gave **£651.00** to the
Catholic Education Service.

Today we have a Second Collection for Home Mission Sunday.

This collection provides our bishops with
the resources to support missionary work
in the UK, particularly in terms of parish
evangelisation. Further to the entry in last
week's newsletter, would Gift Aid givers
kindly note that there is **NO Gift Aid
envelope for this collection.** Please put
your contribution loose into the basket.

LIFE COFFEE MORNING

Today after the 10am & 11.30am
Masses. Homemade cakes, & knitted
goods and refreshments on sale.

TWO NEW CATHOLICS

We welcome into the family
of the Catholic Church,
Catarina Bella Vincente De Nobrega,
& **Elvis Joseph Shadrawy Junior**
who were Baptised here last weekend.

FATHER DEO ON RETREAT

Fr Deo will be on retreat from Monday to
Friday in the coming week. Please pray
for him, as he will for you, whilst he
spends time in spiritual refreshment with
his fellow priests, away from parish life.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK, UNDERGOING TREATMENT, OR WHO ARE HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane, Juliette Blake,
Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere,
Barry Breese, Erna Breese,
Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza,
Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail,
Delphine Fernandes, Raffaella Forte,
Raffaele Forte, Giovanni Franco,
Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther,
Anna Harris, Agnes Healy,
Jim Hughes, Evelyn Hyland,
Baby Scarlett Kurowski, Joseph Lunn,
Elsie McCleave, James McDonald,
Michael Madigan, Ajitha Mahatantila,
Gerard Mascarenhas, Ruby Mendez,
Mary Meyern, Thomas Pereira,
Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose,
Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott,
Charmaine Shali, Christine Shaughnessy,
Ronald Smail. Fr David Standley,
Edythe Thirlwall, Monica Vergara,
Mary White, Ethelda Williams,
Gail Wilson, Carole Winch,
John Windsor, Charmaine Wise,
Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo,
Tony Zammit.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

*"That politicians, scientists and
economists work together to protect the
world's seas and oceans."*

NATIONAL MASS COUNT 2019

Collectors are asked to count the
numbers at Masses starting **next
weekend, 21st & 22nd September**,
and then for the following three
weeks. Special number clickers and
recording charts will be provided.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will not be fully
manned from Thursday 19th September
to Tuesday 8th October inclusive.
This means that contacts made may not
be answered as quickly as normal. If you
need a speedy response to your enquiry,
please call at the presbytery or see any
member of the clergy after Masses.

IN THE COMING WEEK

Church Cleaning – Group 3 please.

KSC – Monday 16th - 8pm – Basil Room

POLYPHONY CHOIR 50TH BIRTHDAY

NEXT SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

At the 11:30 Mass next Sunday, we will be delighted to welcome Archbishop John Wilson to celebrate Mass on the occasion of the Polyphony Choir's 50th Birthday.

We also hope to welcome Father Michael Jones, Father Philip Glandfield and Father Paul Antwi-Bosiako, alongside Father Deo and Father Tomasz.

Anne Rowntree took the first rehearsal on 19th September 1969, forming the Choir at Father Carolin's request.

We're delighted that Anne will be joining us for the occasion. Terry Jupp, present on that first evening, has given uninterrupted service to the Choir ever since, and we pay special tribute to her. We hope as many of you as possible will join us for this very special Mass, marking this great milestone in our parish history.

URGENT APPEAL TO ALTAR SERVERS

Archbishop John Wilson will be coming here next Sunday to celebrate the 11.30am Mass. Please will as many Altar Servers as possible put their names down to serve at this Mass. **NB: There will be a practice this Thursday 19th September at 7pm, lasting approximately 45 minutes.**

ALTAR SERVER AUDIT

In order to ensure 100% compliance with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), would every Altar Server please read and complete the notice in the sacristy and take away a form, which in most cases will require the signed permission of parents or guardians. Kindly return all completed forms to the sacristy by the end of October.

SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR 2020 ENTRY

Please see the timetable posted in all porch areas.

Interviews will be required for the following groups:

- 1/ Those moving to a completely new school, including within the same group of schools;
- 2/ Those placing or keeping children on waiting lists;
- 3/ Those seeking in-year transfers between schools.

If you are new to the parish, and/or if you have been here for less than three years, you must also seek a reference from your previous Parish Priest.

If you attend Mass at different parishes or ethnic chaplaincies, you will also need a reference from them.

Interviews will be held on a first-come-first-served basis. The retro chapel will serve as a waiting area, with interviews taking place in the waiting room behind Our Lady's Altar. Please keep silence whilst in the Church, and perhaps pray with your children.

CAN YOU HELP OUR BEAVERS?

Help is urgently required with the Beaver Section of the parish Scout Group (boys and girls aged 6-8). We meet on

Wednesdays from 6pm - 7.30pm; we need additional leaders to keep this lovely group going beyond half term. No experience necessary - training & support provided.

This would be a valuable volunteering experience.

Please contact Nick Andon: nick.andon@kcl.ac.uk

UNUSED HOLIDAY CURRENCY?

Please deposit it in the special basket in the main porch, and the SVP will be able to convert it, helping them to carry out their unseen yet most valuable work among the poor. Old Sterling and 'legacy' European currencies will also be gratefully accepted.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Please note that all applications must be received by **Monday 30th September**. Application forms are in the main porch. Please return completed forms to the Parish Office. Applications are treated on a first-come-first-served basis, and no chosen date is guaranteed. Please note the important meeting in January 2020.

AN IMPORTANT UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

I'm writing, as Chair of our Parish Pastoral Council, to tell you about some of the decisions made recently and how they affect our Parish.

There have been tremendous improvements to the Church buildings recently. Under Gordon Clark's untiring supervision, the Church roof has been repaired, a new, far better sound system has been added, a new heating system installed, and, within the last month, money-saving LED lighting has been fitted. These were necessary but expensive: about £200,000 in total, and a very large proportion of the Parish savings. There is still more to do: The Church interior needs to be redecorated, for example.

We have other plans, too: our Social Committee, with Diane Wemambu's enthusiasm, is working very hard to raise money for a minibus which will be used by various parish groups, be available for parish excursions and would also enable infirm parishioners to be brought to Mass. And we still have the day-to-day running costs of the Church and clergy, as well as our very substantial commitment to the Archdiocese, which stands at around £35,000 each year.

These financial commitments have led to two decisions: First, like many Parishes across the Archdiocese, we shall be having a Planned Giving Campaign in November, led by Fr Deo. This campaign is all about the various aspects of stewardship, and will be asking us to consider how we share our 'Time, Talents and Treasure' with our Parish.

Second, to bolster our Parish income, it was decided to rent out our Parish Hall to a nursery. The Hall is still ours; the nursery will use it during the daytime on weekdays, and will have exclusive use of the Upper Hall. Parish groups will use the Lower Hall in the evenings and at weekends, as well as two meeting rooms in the Upper Hall, to which separate access will be provided in due course. This is effective use of the Parish property, and we shall still be using our spacious Lower Hall. Bookings will be managed by an outside company, already serving several parishes in this Archdiocese.

The Youth Club remains on hold for a short time while we find new organisers: this is one of Fr Deo's priorities.

So much has been going on! We really appreciate your patience during all these changes. Thank you!

Robert Eaglestone, Chair, Parish Pastoral Council.