

St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 16th May 2021

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions:

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WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

6.15pm (Saturday 15th May 2021)

Kingsley, Santiago, Alice
and Jerome Scheffer RIP

8.30am People of the parish

11.30am Louis & Bernadette Joseph RIP

5pm George Redmond RIP

Seventh Week of Easter

Monday 17th May 2021 (Feria)

10am Intentions of Fr Leo Staples

PVT The Holy Souls

Tuesday 18th May 2021 (Feria)

10am Thomas Corr RIP

PVT Peace in the Middle East

Wednesday 19th May 2021 (Memorial)

St Dunstan, Bishop at Canterbury

10am Christel Rütter RIP

PVT The Holy Souls

Thursday 20th May 2021 (Feria)

10am Intentions of Rose Storey

PVT The Holy Souls

Friday 21st May 2021 (Feria)

10am Pietro Mobile RIP

PVT William Edward Kenny RIP

Saturday 22nd May 2021 (Memorial)

St Rita of Cascia, Religious

10am William Edward Kenny RIP

Sunday 23rd May 2021

PENTECOST (Solemnity)

6.15pm (Saturday 22nd May 2021)

People of the parish

8.30am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP

11.30am Anne Lawrence RIP

5pm Ellis Foundation Mass

Our Current Public Mass Schedule

*Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am;

*Confessions: Saturday, after 10am

Mass, until approx 11.30am;

*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 11.30am; 5pm.

VOCATIONS

Please pray for vocations. A special prayer appears on this page. If you think you may have a vocation, please see

Fr Deo or Fr Augustine, or go to:

[Vocations \(rcsouthwark.co.uk\)](http://Vocations(rcsouthwark.co.uk)

You may click on the same link to donate to the Priests' Training Fund.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND/OR HOUSEBOUND, INCLUDING:

John Ambler, Jessica Anane,
Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah,
Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,
Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese,
Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie,
Reeda D'Souza, Bruce Davidson,
Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail,
Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco,
Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther,
Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes,
Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski,
Philomena Lopez, James McDonald,
Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin,
Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas,
Mary Meyern, Sheila Newman,
Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira,
Sheila Price, Parwar Saib,
Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott,
Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy,
Ronald Smail, Fr David Standley,
Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall,
Joe Vassallo, Monica Vergara,
Mary White, Ethelda Williams,
Carole Winch, John Windsor,
Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell,
Georgette Yoo Foo.

COVID PANDEMIC INFORMATION

Please do not come to the church if you have any symptoms, whether COVID or not, even if vaccinated.

Please do as directed by our stewards.

You must wear a clean face mask or covering before entering the church **which must cover nose and mouth.**

Hand sanitiser is available at the church. Please keep at least 2 metres from others.

Please follow instructions regarding the reception of Holy Communion or a blessing. You should then go straight home. You are reminded not to socialise outside the church.

Do bear in mind the latest slogan: "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR"

Please ensure that you wear a mask or other appropriate face covering, should you need to visit the presbytery.

GIFT AID & FINANCE NEWS

Please await further information regarding the collection and/or distribution of new Gift Aid Envelopes.

Some may be delivered to you.

(Some boxes have been renumbered.)

Gift Aiders may continue to use spare envelopes from their existing boxes.

Please just add the date on the front.

If you need a Year End Letter, please wait, due to the backlog in entering Gift Aid into the computer programme.

If you are a tax payer, you may join the Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your contributions at no extra cost to you!

Now would be an excellent opportunity

to consider setting up a Standing order,

if your financial circumstances allow.

Standing Orders save us money on the purchase of envelopes and boxes.

For information on Gift Aid, a crucial way to increase parish funds, please

contact the Parish Office. You may download a Standing Order Form from

our parish website: sof_200904.jpg
(724x1024) (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

Would all those who kindly set up a Standing Order during our Planned Giving Drive please check their bank statements to see if their instructions to their banks have been received.

Many were not set up by banks.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace.

Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese.

May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ Your Son, the Eternal High Priest, Amen.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (cf Psalm 26:7-9)

**O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face;
hide not your face from me, alleluia.**

FIRST READING (Acts 1:15-17, 20-26)

One day, Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: ‘Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours.

‘In the Book of Psalms, it says:
Let someone else take his office.

‘We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling around with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us - and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection.’

Having nominated two candidates, Joseph, known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, ‘Lord, you can read everyone’s heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.’ They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 102:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 response v 19)

R: The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**
2. For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our sins. **R.**
3. The Lord has set his sway in heaven
and his kingdom is ruling over all.
Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,
mighty in power, fulfilling his word. **R.**

SECOND READING (John 4:11-16)

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another, God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him, and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world, If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God’s love towards ourselves, God is love, and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(cf John 14:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

(John 17:11-19)

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

‘Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name, I have watched over them, and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you, and while still in the world, I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.’

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(John 17:22)

**Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one,
alleluia.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS 2021

Please see our parish website. Please complete the online form on there ***and await further information.*** Please go to: [St. Bart's - First Communion Programme \(stbartsnorbury.co.uk\)](http://stbartsnorbury.co.uk)
A paper version of the form is available from stewards.

CONFIRMATIONS

Please continue to wait for information on future Confirmations.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES

Further dates will be announced shortly. If you have sent in a Baptism Details Form, please contact the Parish Office once dates have been published.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office continues to operate remotely during the COVID pandemic, as has been the case throughout the pandemic. Do get in touch by phone, email or via the Contact Form on our web site. Please wait patiently for a response.

MASS INTENTIONS

These may be booked by email or by phone. Details will be provided about making offerings, which may be Gift Aided.
Please put any envelopes through the presbytery door.

CHEQUES IN THE COLLECTION

We have many cheques which have become out of date and cannot therefore be paid in. Please check your bank statements and, if possible, make out a fresh cheque, or perhaps consider an online payment. Please contact the Parish Office for details.