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Sunday 13th June 2021

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 13th June 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (YrB)

6.15pm (Saturday 12th June 2021)

Archbishop John Wilson, on his recent second anniversary as our Archbishop.

8.30am November Deceased List

11.30am Intentions of Michael Wemambu 5pm People of the parish

Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time (Yr 1)

Monday 14th June 2021 (Feria) 10am Sr Bruna Livieri FMA, RIP **PVT The Holy Souls** Tuesday 15th June 2021 (Feria) 10am Leslie Florence Bickers RIP

PVT The Holy Souls Wednesday 16th June 2021 (Memorial)

St Richard of Chichester

10am Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

PVT The Holy Souls

Thursday 17th June 2021 (Feria)

10am Salomao Vicente Fernandes RIP PVT Cardinal Basil Hume OSB RIP

Friday 18th June 2021 (Feria)

10am Deacon Ged Perkins 5th anniversary of ordination yesterday

PVT The Holy Souls

Saturday 19th June 2021

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10am For our First Communicants beginning their preparation today

Sunday 20th June 2021

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (YrB) Day of Prayer for Human Life

6.15pm (Saturday 19th June 2021)

People of the parish

8.30am For all fathers on Fathers' Day 11.30am Intentions of Daniela

D'Souza Garabello

5pm Dennis & Sheila O'Donoghue RIP

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

To enquire about vocations, or to donate to the Priests' Training Fund, please go to: Vocations (rcsouthwark.co.uk)

CURRENT COVID INFORMATION

We expect news in the coming week regarding future COVID restrictions. Once our bishops have issued their response, we shall let you know how we shall be affected here at St Bart's. Please follow stewards' instructions. Track and Trace forms still apply. If you feel ill, please stay at home. Continue to wear masks/face coverings. which must cover nose and mouth. Please don't gather outside the church. Observe social distancing of 1 metre. Votive candles may now be lit and offerings may be put in wall boxes. Statues may be touched, but not kissed. Communion is back in its normal place, and you may return to seats afterwards. "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR" Please continue to do your bit in helping to restrict transmission of COVID.

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

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, Michael Wemambu, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise,

GIFT AID & FINANCE NEWS

Now would be an excellent opportunity to set up a Standing order, though only if your financial circumstances allow.

Standing Orders provide us with a regular, predictable monthly income. 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 (724×1024) (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

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

They 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! 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, so you will need to send them fresh instructions.



The Mustard Tree Picture courtesy of: www.salfordliturgy.org.uk

Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (cf Psalm 26:7, 9)
O Lord hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me,
O God, my Saviour!

FIRST READING (Ezekiel 17:22-24)

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch, I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.

And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow; who withers green trees and makes the withered green.

I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 91:2-3, 13-16, response cf v 2)

R: It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

- 1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. *R*.
- **2.** The just will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. *R*.
- 3. Planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. *R*.

SECOND READING (2 Corinthians 5:6-10)

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law

court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 15:15)

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Mark 4:26-34)

Jesus said to the crowds:

'This is what the Kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord, the land produces first the shoot,

then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is a like a mustard seed which, at the time of its sowing in the soil, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown, it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (Psalm 26:4)

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION NEWS

The programme for 2021 has now commenced

The children, more than 60, will be divided into two groups: Group One will make their First Holy Communion in July this year, with Group Two following this September. All those in the July group have been informed, and the

remainder will form part of the September cohort.

We have very few catechists. If you are interested in becoming a catechist going forward, please make yourself known to Fr Deo.

A DBS check will be required, and since this will not be possible in time for this year, it would help us to start the process in preparation for future years.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES

The following courses will each consist of two sessions.

All courses are to be held in the Retro Chapel:

Course 1 – Wednesday 23rd and 30th June 2021 @ 7.30pm.

Course 2 – Saturday 17th and 24th July 2021 @ 2.30pm.

Please complete a Baptism Details Form, in full and send it to the Parish Office. If you have sent in a form recently, kindly contact the Parish Office to join a course. Please do not turn up to a course unless you have been registered.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office continues to operate remotely as has been the case throughout the COVID 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 also 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.

Dates and times requested cannot be guaranteed.

ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC, OR KNOW SOMEBODY WHO IS INTERESTED?

If you, or somebody you know would like to find out more, please contact any one of our clergy.

Our dedicated catechists are now preparing the next RCIA course – (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

Please spread the word about this, and look out for further information in the coming weeks.