

St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 15th August 2021

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 15th August 2021 (Solemnity)

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6.15pm (Saturday 14th August 2021)

Mary Vassallo RIP

8.30am Jack & Michael Oliver RIP

11.30am Amelia Yoo Foo RIP

5pm People of the parish

Twentieth Week in Ord Time (Yr 1)

Monday 16th August 2021 (Feria)

10am Intentions of Saaraa Bacchus

PVT Fr Donald Minchew RIP

Tuesday 17th August 2021 (Feria)

10am Annie & Eamon Gillespie RIP

PVT Intentions of Meghan Skevington

Wednesday 18th August 2021 (Feria)

10am Peadar Conroy RIP

PVT Intentions of Patti Lewis

Thursday 19th August 2021 (Feria)

10am Nadia Ghawi RIP

PVT Intentions of Hilary Stroh

Friday 20th August 2021 (Memorial)

St Bernard, Abbot and

Doctor of the Church

10am Rita Chapman RIP

PVT Intentions of Elizabeth Maduka

Saturday 21st August 2021 (Memorial)

St Pius X, Pope

10am Pietro Mobile RIP

Sunday 22nd August 2021

Twenty first Sunday in OT (Yr B)

6.15pm (Saturday 21st August 2021)

Glenn Savio Saldanha RIP

8.30am Zoe Venea Vaz (1st birthday)

11.30am Deceased members of the

Carty & Rojas families

5pm People of the parish

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Envelopes are available from stewards.

Offerings may be Gift Aided. **Please**

deliver envelopes to the presbytery.

You may book by email or by phone.

CURRENT COVID INFORMATION

Father Deo will review the situation upon his return from Tanzania.

The Sunday obligation remains suspended until further notice.

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 be lit and offerings may be put in wall boxes.

Kindly refrain from kissing statues.

Remember the current phrase, "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR"

Please continue to do your bit in helping to restrict transmission of COVID.

Despite changes to national guidelines, please be aware that this virus is still very much with us, and will continue to be.

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,

Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo.

CONFIRMATION 2021

Fr Deo will be conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Bartholomew's on Saturday 27th November 2021. If your child is in year 8 or above and wishes to

be Confirmed, please complete the application form on our parish website:

[St Bart's Confirmation Programme 2021/2022 Application Form](http://www.stbartsnorbury.co.uk) (office.com)

Applications close on Sunday 12th September 2021. Kindly provide a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate, unless Baptised at St Bartholomew's.

We aim to deliver the Programme in face-to-face meetings; therefore, places will be limited. We shall keep an eye on the constantly evolving situation. So, if things do change, we may have to move the programme online or adapt the programme in order to comply with COVID security guidance from the Bishops Conference of England & Wales.

If you previously signed up for the Confirmation Programme for 2020, but delayed receiving this sacrament due to the pandemic, a catechist will contact you directly to gauge your interest in participating in this year's programme.

GIFT AID & FINANCE NEWS

There is NO NEED to send in envelopes for any Sundays you miss. Just one envelope will do next time you attend Mass. Your contributions will still be recorded for Gift Aid.

Standing Orders remove the need to worry about envelopes.

You may download a Standing Order Form from our parish website:

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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! Please check if your Standing Order has been set up by your bank. If not, please send them fresh instructions.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (cf Revelation 12:1)

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head, a crown of twelve stars.

FIRST READING (Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10)

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened, and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven; a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven. 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 44:10-12, 16 response v 10)

R: On your right stands the queen in garments of gold.

1. The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
forget your own people and your father's house. **R.**

2. So will the kind desire your beauty:
he is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

SECOND READING (1 Corinthians 15:20-26)

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him.

After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power.

For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet, and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Mary has been taken up into heaven;
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Luke 1:39-56)

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women, you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy.'

Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name. and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry, he has filled with good things, the rich, sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel, his servant, mindful of his mercy – according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (Luke 1:48-49)

**All generations will call me blessed,
for he who is mighty has done great things for me.**

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office continues to operate remotely on an ad hoc basis. You may contact us by phone, email or via the Contact Form on our web site. When leaving a voicemail, kindly give your first name and surname. Please wait patiently for a response, especially whilst we have only one priest available.

SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

Due to COVID, as last year, we shall be holding telephone interviews. The School Reference Application Form is now available on our parish web site. You may also click on this link: [school_reference_form_september_2022.pdf](http://stbartsnorbury.co.uk/school_reference_form_september_2022.pdf) (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

Please print the form out and complete it in ink.

Hard copies are available from the stewards.

Interviews will not be possible until after Fr Deo's return in September. Please be prepared for them to occur at short notice. Please look out for your fellow parishioners whose first language may not be English, and/or who may need assistance with reading, writing and understanding forms.

UNCASHED CHEQUES FROM COLLECTIONS

Due to the 'quarantining' we have many out-of-date cheques. Please kindly check your bank statements for the last 18 months, to see if they have been debited. Please advise the Parish Office accordingly, though you may be contacted directly in due course.

This would be a good opportunity to set up a Standing Order, thus avoiding the need to worry about cheques and cash. Anybody who signed a Standing Order previously, please also check your statements to ensure that your bank has followed your instructions, as many banks have not done so.