# St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 12th September 2021

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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(Year B)

#### **Mass Times and Intentions:**

**London SW16 5DE** 

Sunday 12th September 2021 Twenty fourth Sunday in OT (Yr B) Education Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> collection) 6.15pm (Saturday 11th September 2021) People of the parish 8.30am Fr James Carolin RIP 11.30am Jack Chapman RIP

5pm Mabel & Harry Folkes RIP Twenty fourth Week in Ord Time (Yr 1) Monday 13th September 2021 (Memorial) St John Chrysostom, Bishop and **Doctor of the Church** 10am Margaret Towey RIP PVT Anne & John McDonagh RIP Tuesday 14th September 2021 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast) 10am Suzanne Marchment RIP & family **PVT The Holy Souls** Wednesday 15th September 2021 Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial) 10am Intentions of the Douglas family **PVT The Holy Souls** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021 Sts Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (Memorial) 10am Nuala Scarisbrick RIP **PVT The Holy Souls** Friday 17th September 2021 (Feria)

10am November Deceased List **PVT The Holy Souls** Saturday 18th September 2021 The Blessed Virgin Mary 10am Joseph John Murphy RIP Sunday 19th September 2021 Twenty fifth Sunday in OT (Yr B) 6.15pm (Saturday 18th September 2021) Michael McCready RIP

8.30am For an increase in vocations 11.30am Burt Newman RIP 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. No dates or times can be guaranteed.

#### **CURRENT COVID INFORMATION**

Father Deo will review the situation shortly. 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 your 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. Please 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. Our sincere thanks to all our stewards.

#### 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**

## **Applications Close today**

Confirmation itself takes place on Saturday 27th November 2021. Please advise any of the clergy if you are interested in becoming a catechist.

#### **GIFT AID & FINANCE**

If you are a tax payer, and depending upon your financial circumstances, please join the Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your contributions at no extra cost to you! During these difficult times, the scheme has continued to show its worth, particularly through Standing Orders.

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

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

#### FR DEO'S RETURN DELAYED

Fr Deo now hopes to be back with us by Friday 24th or Saturday 25th September 2021 at the latest. Fr Augustine departs for Nigeria on Monday 20th September 2021. Mass cover will be arranged.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of: Rosemary Evans, late of Cardiff, former parishioner and active member of the Catholic Housing Association here in our parish. Rosemary died on August 10<sup>th</sup> 2021. Joe Moynihan, father of Clare France. Joe died on Saturday 31st July 2021 following a sudden illness. Nuala Scarisbrick, co-founder of LIFE, who died on Tuesday 31st August 2021. May they Rest in Peace. Our condolences and prayers go to the families.

#### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

The next course will take place on **BOTH** Wednesdays 29th September 2021 and 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Retro Chapel. To join, please ask stewards for a Baptism Details Form, then complete and return the form to the Parish Office by Wednesday 22nd September 2021.

#### **READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** (cf Sirach 36:18)

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

#### FIRST READING (Isaiah 50:5-9)

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 114:1-6, 8-9, response v 9)

# R: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

- 1. I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. **R**.
  - 2. They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress.

    I called on the Lord's name.
    O Lord my God, deliver me! R.
    - 3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion.

      The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless, so he saved me. R.
- **4.** He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **R**.

#### **SECOND READING** (James 2:14-18)

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims he has faith. Will that faith same him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them the bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that; if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (John 14:5)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL** (Mark 8:27-35)

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way, he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others, Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you.' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (cf Psalm 35:8)

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

#### **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, your contact details and, if possible, the reason for your call. Please wait patiently for a response, especially whilst we have only one priest available.

#### SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR SEPTEMBER 2022 ENTRY

The School Reference Application Form is available on our parish web site via a special 'button'. You may also click on this link: school reference form september 2022.pdf (stbartsnorbury.co.uk) Please print the form out, then complete it in ink and follow the instructions in relation to documents and photos required. Hard copies are available from the stewards. Supplementary forms may not be available from some schools until later in September, so you may either send in what you have or wait until you have them all together. Nevertheless, telephone interviews, which may only be conducted by Fr Deo, will not take place until October, at the earliest, and may have to be carried out at short notice, dependent upon Fr Deo's schedule. Please be as flexible as possible during these COVID times.

#### **REPOSITORY**

Further new stock has arrived, with Confirmations, First Holy Communions and Christmas very much in mind. COVID conditions apply in the Repository.

#### DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE FUNDRAISER

Please see: St. Bart's - Latest News (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

#### **POLYPHONY CHOIR**

Members are reminded that practices resume this coming Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm. If you would like to join, please contact Tony Price. Nevertheless, you are most welcome to turn up on the night. Website: <a href="St. Bartholomew's Choir Norbury Streatham SW16">St. Bartholomew's Choir Norbury Streatham SW16</a> (polychoir.co.uk)