

# St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## Mass Times and Intentions:

*Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022*

**TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN OT**

6.15pm (Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022)

People of the parish

8.30am Thanksgiving – Melvin Carty

10am Thanksgiving – Bailey family

11.30am Sylvain Pied RIP

**4pm Rosary and Benediction**

5pm Intentions of Ana

## Twenty Third Week in Ordinary Time

*Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Feria)*

7.30am Lawrence Ndika RIP

10am Joan Bryan RIP

*Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Feria)*

7.30am Thanksgiving – Benjamin Ohen

10am Lawrence Taylor RIP

*Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Feria)*

7.30am Fr John Mulligan RIP

10am Intentions of the Muoghalu family (Novena)

*Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Feast)*

**THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Joseph Lunn RIP

*Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Feria)*

7.30am Intentions of Angelina

10am Roy Daniels RIP

*Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022*

**The Blessed Virgin Mary**

10am Philip Cowie RIP

*Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022*

**TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN OT**

**Second Collection for the**

**Catholic Education Service**

6.15pm (Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022)

All students, for the new academic year

8.30am The Holy Souls

10am Intentions of the Muoghalu family (Novena)

11.30am Bridget & Joe McDonagh RIP

**4pm Rosary and Benediction**

5pm Cecilia Eldin RIP

**Fr Deo will be in Scotland this weekend, for a wedding, returning on the evening of Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

## OUR NORMAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

\***Mass:** Monday to Friday 7.30am;

Monday – Saturday: 10am;

\***Confession:** Saturday, after 10am Mass, until 11.30am then from 5pm – 6pm.

\***Sunday Masses:** (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm.

**Adoration & Benediction**

Mon – Sat 9.30am

\***Rosary:** Monday – Saturday after 10am Mass

**Rosary & Benediction:** Sunday 4pm

**(Stations of the Cross during Lent)**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK,**

**AND HOUSEBOUND:**

John Ambler, Jessica Anane, Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Philip Chapman, Gerard Cowie, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Amelia Demby; Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail, Terry Folorunso; Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Terry Jupp, Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski, Dorothy Lentini, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Margaret McSharry, Ajitha Mahatantila, Mary Meyern, Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, 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, Fr Alfred Xuereb SJ; Georgette Yoo Foo

**THIS IS SVP AWARENESS MONTH**  
Deacon Ged will speak about the SVP at all Masses this weekend, and appeal for new members. We have many local neighbours who face poverty, loneliness and isolation. The SVP can help them. Members will be available after Masses. You may also contact them confidentially in writing: just mark your envelope "SVP" and post it into the presbytery.

## PLANNED GIVING & GIFT AID

If you are a tax payer, the Church can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your offerings at no extra cost to you! Standing orders are an excellent way to make your offerings. All you need to do is sign a form! Gift Aid queries may be made to our Organiser, John Byrne, either in person or via the parish office.

## CURRENT COVID INFORMATION

***Our sincere thanks to all our stewards. COVID has not gone away, and there are variants going around. If you feel ill, whether or not you have symptoms of COVID, please stay away. Please show consideration for other parishioners.***

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

The next course will take place on **both Wednesdays 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 8pm. You must attend both sessions.** There are limited spaces available. To apply, please pick up a Baptism Details Form from the porch. **Please read the form carefully, complete it in full and address it and send it to the Baptismal Catechists' Team,** via the Parish Office. **If you have already sent in your form, please contact the parish office to confirm that you wish to attend.**

Dates for the October 2022 course will be announced shortly.

## FLOWERS

Please place your offerings in the main porch wall box, marked 'Flowers', to the left of the main doors. Our thanks to all who have so generously donated recently.

## THE PAPAL INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

***"We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country."***

## **THE COST OF LIVING CRISIS**

Without doubt, this situation, on top of COVID, is going to affect many families in our parish and beyond. Let us pray that everybody will come through what awaits us, and that we shall help others as much as we can, in whatever ways we can, to ride the storm ahead. In the meantime, the various local authorities, both within and around our parish boundary, have the following resources, advice and help online:

### **London Borough of Lambeth:**

<https://beta.lambeth.gov.uk/cost-living-crisis-support>;

### **London Borough of Croydon:**

<https://www.croydon.gov.uk/get-help-rising-cost-living>;

### **London Borough of Merton:**

<https://www.merton.gov.uk/communities-and-neighbourhoods/money-advice/cost-of-living>;

## **CAFOD NEWS AND INFORMATION**

CAFOD is the official overseas aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. We work with some of the most hard-to-reach communities around the world and those living in the hardest of circumstances. Please see our current campaign which is about food:

[Fix the Food System | CAFOD](#)

and help make the world a better place for all.

## **STEP INTO THE GAP PROGRAMME**

CAFOD, in partnership with their UK placements, offers the exciting opportunity for **18-30 year - olds** to spend a fully funded year volunteering in a retreat centre or school chaplaincy, where you will work alongside the Catholic community and others to bring about a more just world. It is a great chance to develop a range of skills and gain work experience within the context of your faith.

For more information, please contact Arianne at:

[youngleadership@CAFOD.org.uk](mailto:youngleadership@CAFOD.org.uk); or go to:

[Step into the Gap - Volunteer for your gap year | CAFOD](#)

## **CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY 2022**

This falls on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October. An appeal will be made at all Masses on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, with the actual collection being taken on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October. Please think about how you might be able to help our brothers and sisters overseas who live through a permanent cost of living crisis. Please give what you can, according to your own circumstances.

## **FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**Catholic Education Service**

***(Parish Gift Aid envelopes apply)***

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**Catholic Agency for the Support of Evangelisation**

**(Cash only collection – no envelopes)**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Collection**

**(Only Special CAFOD envelopes may be used)**

## **SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR 2023 ENTRY**

The School Reference Request Form is now available on the parish website. Hard copies are available in the porch.

Please follow the instructions carefully and provide a family photo, preferably by email to the parish office.

We cannot guarantee to return original photos.

Fr Deo will conduct all reference interviews by phone.

It will not be possible to make appointments for this.

In all correspondence where the surname of the child differs from any parent or guardian, please ensure that you provide both surnames. Please print off reference forms and complete them in ink, and not on your computer.

The closing date for references to arrive at schools, for September 2023 intake, will be 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

## **PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Our **Parish AGM** is on **Wednesday 12th October 2022 at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.** Please come along!

Our theme this year, building on the work of the Synod, will be community and participation. We hope that this will be an excellent ‘jumping in’ opportunity if you are new or relatively new to the parish. For others, we hope it will be a chance to re-establish bonds. There will be some talking as well as food and drink: it’s a social occasion!

We are planning to have ambassadors from the various Parish activities, to discuss all we do and to plan for more. Bob, the chair of the Parish Pastoral Council, will be at the coffee morning on 25<sup>th</sup> September, if you want to discuss anything about the AGM with him.

## **OUR PARISH HALL**

If you wish to book the Lower Hall for a private event please contact the booking company, Low Cost Halls, via this link: [Praetorium](#) or call them on 01372 457651. **General bookings are not handled by the Parish Office. For strictly Parish - related events, only then should you contact the parish office.**

## **MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS**

If you have a particular date and/or time in mind, you are strongly encouraged to book Masses well in advance. No date or time can be guaranteed, and on some dates, such as Good Friday, no intentions may be taken. Do remember that, whether or not you are able to attend a Mass you have requested, it will still be said, and others will still be present to pray for your chosen intention. Please put your fully completed Mass Offering Envelopes through the front door of the presbytery - ***(not in the collection basket!)*** Offerings are entirely voluntary. As a guide, most people tend to give £10.00. Offerings help to supplement the very limited income of our priests. Members of the Gift Aid Scheme may also Gift Aid Mass offerings.

NB: The name of the person asking for Mass must match the Gift Aid number.

***Nobody should ever feel embarrassed about requesting a Mass Intention if they cannot afford an offering.***

## **ST BERNADETTE RELICS TOUR**

This runs until Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022.

For information, and to book places, please go to:

<https://stbernadette.org.uk/>