# **St Bartholomew's Catholic Church**

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# Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# **Mass Times and Intentions:**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Peter's Pence (Plate only – no envelopes or Gift Aid) 6.15pm (Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023) Wellbeing of Pope Francis 8.30am David & Cecilia Clark RIP 10am Margaret & Patrick Collins RIP 11.30am Thanksgiving – Terezina Po (Plainchant Choir singing at this Mass) 4pm Rosary & Benediction 5pm People of the parish

# FIFTEENTH WEEK IN ORD TIME

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (Feria) 7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Fergus O'Toole RIP

# Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (Feria)

7.30am Intentions of John Ambler 10am Stephen Cowie RIP (birthday)

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (Feria) 7.30am Lucie Merceica RIP 10am Wellbeing of Sean Kearney 2.30pm Requiem for Margaret White

*Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (Feria)* 7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Thanksgiving – Dinju Mickle *Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023 (Feria)* 

7.30am The Holy Souls 10am Pietro Mobile RIP

#### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 (Feast) Saint Mary Madgalene

10am Thanksgiving – Brigid Griffin, on the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

6.15pm (Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2023) Mary & Joseph Vassallo RIP 8.30am David & Cecilia Clark RIP 10am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP 11.30am Laura Conroy RIP (Hymn Choir singing at this Mass)

4pm Rosary & Benediction 5pm Guss Hogan RIP

#### FATHER DEO'S HOLIDAY

Father Deo flies to Tanzania this Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023, and will be back with us again on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023. We wish him a pleasant break in his home country. <u>NORMAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE</u> \*<u>Mass:</u> Monday to Friday 7.30am; Monday – Saturday: 10am; \*<u>Confession:</u> Saturday, after 10am Mass, until 11.30am then from 5pm – 6pm. \*<u>Sunday Masses:</u> (Sat 6.15pm); 8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm. <u>Adoration & Benediction:</u> Mon – Sat 9.30am (First Friday after 10am Mass until 2pm) \*<u>Rosary:</u> Monday – Saturday after 10am Mass Rosary & Benediction: Sunday 4pm

<u>Rosary & Benediction:</u> 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, Agnes Buckley, Philip Chapman, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Audrey Draude, Terry Folorunso, Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Fr Michael Jones, Terry Jupp, Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski, Dorothy Lentini, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Margaret McSharry, Ajitha Mahatantila, Mary Meyern, Elsy Mickle, Pat Nawrat, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Fr Alfred Xuereb SJ, Georgette Yoo Foo.

#### WORLD YOUTH DAY

Please remember in your prayers the following three young parishioners who will be attending World Youth Day in

Lisbon, Portugal from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 to Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023. They are Melissa Desa, Kirsten Fernandes & Oluchukwu Muoghalu.



This year's Confirmation programme launches with an introductory meeting on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023 from 7.30pm to 9.15pm in the church. Confirmations will take place on the Solemnity of Christ the King, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 12 Noon, with

Bishop Philp Moger officiating. Please apply online via this link:

# St Bart's Confirmation Programme 2023 Application (v.2)

In order to help drive the programme forward, Father Deo will be seeking more people to become catechists.

#### **COFFEE MORNING THANKS**

Thanks to all those of you who attended last Sunday's Free Coffee Morning. The reinstatement of this opportunity to meet and mingle with your fellow parishioners has proven most popular. We shall now be taking a summer break, and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for our next Free Coffee Morning, which will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023 after all

morning Masses.

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Basket £873.58: (Gift Aid: £295.84; Non-G/A: £577.74) Plus Standing Orders: £2057.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Stella Maris: £544.26: (Gift Aid: £12.00; Non G/A £532.26.)

#### SCHOOL REFERENCES

This process commences in early September 2023. School Reference Forms will be made available on our parish website, with hard copies provided in the main porch. The forms explain the entire process. They also take account of the need for references being required outside of the normal application period, including those who move into the parish throughout the year, and for in-year transfers and waiting lists. **PETER'S PENCE 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION** 

This collection, delayed from last Sunday, will take place this weekend. This does not involve envelopes or Gift Aid.



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#### THE SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts 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.

# **NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES**

Gift Aid envelopes may be collected from the main porch. White envelopes are for Standing Order givers. <u>NB: Some Gift Aiders have new Box Numbers</u>. Information and forms available for the Gift Aid scheme. **Do check your tax position with HMRC first of all.** 

## MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS

Please post your Mass Offering Envelopes through the presbytery door. Offerings are voluntary. As a guide, people tend to give £10.00, where they can afford to.

Mass offerings may be Gift Aided too (see envelopes). No date or time can be guaranteed. Also, where a funeral occurs at 10am, this will take precedence.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOS

Photographs taken by John Taylor may be viewed in two albums on the window sill near the Repository. Please write your choices on the order form provided. Payment may be made upon collection of your order. Incredibly, we still have a number of uncollected photos from various First Holy Communions and Confirmations in past years, and these are also in the porch for collection and payment, despite many attempts to contact those who ordered them. Please see if yours are still there.

#### **FLOWERS**

Please place offerings in the dedicated wall box in the main porch. Thankyou for your continued generosity.

#### CAFOD

The world bank supports new laws which push farmers towards using seeds sold by big Agribusiness. If we are to build a more

sustainable food system, then the rights of the small-scale farmers must be put at the heart of the solution. More than ever, supporting small farmers' rights over their own seed varieties is vital for ensuring long term food security and climate resilience. Ahead of the world bank's autumn meetings, I urge you to sign the big letter at the back of the church. Protect the fundamental rights of small farmers to save, use, exchange and sell their own varieties of seeds. Put an end to all policies that limit small

farmers choice over which seeds the can access.

<u>CAFOD ONLINE TALK BY CARDINAL TAGLE</u> <u>Please see the poster in the porch</u>

#### **UNWANTED NOTES, COINS AND CURRENCY**

Please deposit any old notes and coins, including UK and foreign currency, in the special basket on the windowsill of the main porch. The SVP can gain some value from such currency.

# Marriage Celebration on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 at 3pm at St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

Please apply **by the end of this month of July 2023**. You can email: <u>mflse@rcaos.org.uk</u>



" 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. ' " (Matthew 13:4) Picture courtesy of: <u>www.salfordliturgy.org.uk</u>

# OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CATHOLIC SPHERE

For current information, please see the brown folder in the main porch, which contains details of employment opportunities in the Catholic world, including schools, and charities, as well as forthcoming school open days.

#### **OUR PARISH SECRETARY IS RETIRING!**

Our own Parish Secretary will be retiring next year. Father Deo would like to hear from anybody who might be interested in taking on this important position. Starting hourly rate is £13.50. To find out more, please see Father Deo.

You must have permission to work in the UK.

### **RECENT THEFT**

You may now be aware that, some time after 5pm Mass last Sunday, thieves made off with all the beautiful old brass handles from the outside of our three pairs of front doors and the side doors. For now, we have had a temporary handle installed on the centre front right-hand door. The side doors should be operated using the special push button.