

# NEWS AND VIEWS

## Second collection – Sick & Retired Priests'

Today's second collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can also donate online at [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations) - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

**Church Cleaning:** We need volunteers who can spare their time to help with cleaning the church during the week. Please speak with Fr Moses or drop your name in the parish office Thank you.

**Calling on parishioners** who would like a visit/prayers for their house bound family members/friends should please leave names and contact details with Fr Moses/at the parish office.

**1st Holy Communion sessions at 10.15am: November 6th, 20th (Enrolment Mass at 11.30am), December 4th, 11th.** Please could you all enter the meeting room via the door in the car park and ensure the catechists are present before leaving your child/children.

**Confirmation 2023:** The catechism classes started on **Wednesday 2nd November at 7pm.** To be eligible for Confirmation, the candidate must be **13 years by the 31st of August.**

**RCIA:** Adults who wish to complete their Sacraments or convert fully to the Catholic faith should also register for **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** to be received at Easter. The lessons have started. *Please pick up all registration forms from the Parish Office.*

**Calling On All Young-Adult Catholics** If you are between the ages of 18-45, **join us at 7:00 pm in the St Gabriel's meeting room.** Every Tuesday, there will be the chance to meet other young Catholics, pray together and grow in our faith. Contact John & Alessandra Knight on [john.knight@rcm.ac.uk](mailto:john.knight@rcm.ac.uk) or **07512781274**.

**Death:** We mourn with the family and friends of our dear **Phylis Kirwan**, a longstanding parishioner who passed away on the 25th of October. In her honour a Mass will be held in the parish on the **14th of November at 4pm**, thereafter she will be repatriated back to Ireland for burial. Eternal rest grant unto her and may perpetual light shine on her, may she rest in peace. Amen

**Parish Health & Safety :** We appeal for any parishioner who would like to be a Fire Warden/First Aider for the parish, they will be trained here in the parish by the Diocese. All interested should please speak with Fr Moses.

**Parish Quiz Night:** We will be back on in person on the **9th of December**, which will also be the Christmas version at 7.30pm, all are welcome. Bring along friends and family.

**Tuesday Social Club** is back on after the 12noon Mass. People of all ages are welcome to join the light refreshments, bingo and other activities in the meeting room.

**Parish Project: (Help At Home):** Thank you for the generosity. Next date for the collection will be **the weekend of 26th/27th November, 2022.**

**Christian Stewardship:** (30th October 2022) **Envelopes:** £147 **Loose:** £387.42 **Contactless:** £110 **Parish Project- (Help At Home-)** £1, 295.00 so far - We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support of our parish.

## November Diary

Weekend of 5th/6th: **Sick & Retired Priests' Fund Collection**

Weekend of 26th/27th: **1st Sunday Of Advent Year A**

**Parish Project collection (Help At Home)**

Every Saturday at 10.30am: **Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions**

Every Last Saturday at 12noon: **Baptism**

Every 1st Friday: 12 noon **Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction**

## Important Diary Dates

- ◆ December 2nd– **Carol Concert**
- ◆ December 9th — **Quiz night**
- ◆ December 12th—**Volunteer's Mass**

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We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



Tom asked his friend Mark by phone what he was doing. Mark told him he couldn't talk because he was working on "aquathermal treatment of ceramics, aluminum, and steel while under a dangerously constrained environment." Tom was impressed until the following day when he learned that meant John was "washing dishes with hot water under his upset wife's supervision."

The first-time flier was very nervous as he buckled his seat belt before takeoff. He turned to the passenger in the next seat and asked, "About how often do aircrafts like this crash?" He thought a moment and replied, "Usually, just once."



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**+ 32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time Year C**  
*6th November 2022*

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

## REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

### A glimpse into eternity

The Sadducees neither believed in life after death nor in spiritual beings such as the angels. So, in response to their question which they asked to ridicule these beliefs, Jesus first raises a point which is at the heart of the Gospel message; that all those who are in Christ enter into a new relationship with God and with all other people - a relationship that transcend blood and marriage because God is 'Our Father'. It is a relationship freed from such structures that can restrict love be it family or marriage. Eternal life is being free to live a life of boundless love; love without barriers. The call to celibacy and religious life to which many respond is made to reflect that possibility even in our world. Only that person who has the perfect freedom to let go of everything, even physical life, for the sake of truth, justice and love and total commitment to the well-being of brother and sister is a person fully alive. There are cultures today where every male is expected to get married and every daughter is expected to be "married off". In the world of Jesus, the ultimate Christian ideal is not about having family, the perpetuation of family lineage or having sons rather than daughters. The ideal is to love without barriers. Saints are simply people alive with love - with the love that all originates in God. Life after death will be superior because it would be free of all the structures that restrict love. It will simply enable the total triumph of love. On another note, referring to the same Law which the Sadducees quoted to attack the resurrection, Jesus reminds them that when speaking to Moses, God had identified himself by saying: "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob". He didn't say: 'I used to be' ... but "I am. I still am". So, if God is still their God, still their friend, then necessarily they are still alive. In spite of the fact that these patriarchs have died, God continues to be their God, their protector, their friend. Jesus responds definitively that there is resurrection because "God is God of the living not of the dead." Because he believed in resurrection, Jesus could unshakably continue to live lovingly, even though he knew he would be killed for it. The constant stream of martyrs down the centuries knew this, people like Maximilian Kolbe. It is understood by the mother, who does not hesitate to give her life to save her child's.

## Mass Times & Intentions 6th – 12th October 2022

**Sat 5th Vigil Mass 6:30pm:** Aidan Carroll, Brendan Nelson, Vince Magee, Alan Mullee (RIP), Veronica Crawley, Hannah Holden, Mick Garvey (INT)

**Sun 6th 9:00am:** Rita Atuanya, Richard Tayler, Jose Roderick Millano (RIP), Philip & Tunu, Ekanem & Uche, Amy & Larry, Udoh family, Emo & Paddy, Mullett family (INT)

**11:30am:** Rita Atuanya, Michael Gerard Rafferty, Hugh McDaid (Posthumous b'day) (RIP), Jeffery & Stephen Etukudoh, Muzey (Special Int), Mary Hallissey, Mary Aherne, Amaobi Maduako & family, Mullett family, Aherne family (INT)

**6:30pm:** Michael Mullarkey, Tom Mackey, Ann Gormely, Mary Mulligan (RIP), Mullee family (INT)

**Mon 7th St Willibrord 12 noon:** Liam Galvin, Anthony McGuire (posthumous birthday) (RIP), Chingewundoh family (INT)

**Tue 8th 12 noon:** Essien-Oku family, Effy Inam & family, Manny, Lillian & family, Ahano & family, Queeneth & Ekpo, Evans family, Mary Stephens (INT)

**Wed 9th The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 12 noon:** Beryl Tamsett, Carol Belsten, Joy family (INT)

**Thur 10th St Leo the Great 12 noon:** Chingewundoh family, John & Lucie Thompson (INT)

**Fri 11th St Martin of Tours 12 noon:** Nellie Gaffney, Chingewundoh family, Alan & Felicity Harrison (INT)

**Sat 12th St Josaphat 12 noon:** Jim O'Brien (RIP), P.J Heavin (7th), John Greaney (ANN), Arnold & Tess Ovberedjo, Special int. (INT)



**Please Pray For:** Rebecca Campbell, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Bridget Munnelly, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Tina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Geraldine McKeane, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Debbie Whitehead, Emo Paddy Essang, Madeleine, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Gloria Munian, Brian Robinson

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am

Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays (New time) 12noon Legion of Mary: First Wed. 6.30pm Monday

Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

*Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...*

# TODAY'S READINGS

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ears to my cry for help, O Lord.

## OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING (Maccabees 7:1-2. 9-14)

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them acting as spokesman for the others, said, "What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors." With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, "Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, live again for ever." After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, "It is heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again." The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering. When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, "Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life."

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 16)

**R. I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.**

Lord, hear a cause that is just,  
pay heed to my cry.  
Turn your ear to my prayer;  
No deceit is on my lips.

I kept my feet firmly in your paths;  
There was no faltering in my steps.  
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.  
Turn your ear to me; hear my words.

Guard me as the apple of your eye.  
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.

As for me, in my justice I shall see your face  
And be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory.

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## SECOND READING (2 Thessalonians 2: 16- 3:5)

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia**

**Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.**

**Alleluia.**

## GOSPEL (Luke 20:27-38)

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put a question to him. "Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?" Jesus replied, "The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.

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## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,

near restful waters he leads me.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy that, by pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. Through Christ our Lord.

Mass	Readers	Eucharist Minister	Stewards
Sat. 6.30pm	Joanna Hemingway	June Gray	Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers
Sun. 9.00am	Maureen Taylor	Olga	Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Sun. 11.30am	Ignatius Etukudoh	Roxanne/Joyce	Bernie Shevlin/Joseph Baffoe
Sun. 6.30pm	Bridget O'Dea	Michelle Carr	Joseph Ogbonna

## The Prayer Of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

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.

### THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise You,

We bless You,

We adore you,

We glorify You,

We give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,

the Father Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried;

He descended into hell;

on the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father

Almighty;

from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Holy Catholic Church,

the communion of Saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting. Amen.

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- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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