

NEWS AND VIEWS

The Parish Office will be running on skeletal capacity till Monday 1st of February. Masses and essential pastoral services continue as normal.

Fr Ugo's Annual Leave begins after Christmas till the end of January.

Winter Shelter for the Homeless: This has been cancelled due to the restrictions imposed on gatherings and movement of people as a result of the Covid19 pandemic. Food parcels will be given at the Presbytery door daily to cushion this effect.

First Holy Communion classes start in January after the Christmas break, dates will be communicated shortly.

Christian Stewardship: Many parishes survived the covid era because parishioners responded to supporting the parish steadily through standing orders. We got some support in that way too as our weekly income from standing orders moved from £120 to £400 which is good. But the honest fact is that we can do better. A lot

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C	G	K	E	B	H	E	E	L	O	TEACHER
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E	I	O	S	O	E	H	E	I	R	ANDREW
T	N	L	L	T	R	T	P	C	I	BROTHER
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We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



As the golfer approached the first tee, a hazardous hole with a green surrounded by water, he debated if he should use his new golf ball. Deciding that the hole was too treacherous, he pulled an old ball out and placed it on the tee. Just then he heard a voice from above say loudly, "Use the new ball!" Frightened, he replaced the old ball with the new and approached the tee. Now the voice from above shouted, "Take a practice swing!" With this, the golfer stepped backward and took a swing. Feeling more confident, he approached the tee when the voice again rang out, "Use the old ball!"



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+ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
17th January 2021

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.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

On this second Sunday of Ordinary Time, we hear the voice of God louder, as always, inviting us to be his disciples. Today, the Holy Mother Church, reminds us that God's call is real and that, God knows and calls us personally by our names. Thus, she encourages us to respond effectively to this call with our body, soul and spirit. The Gospel of this Sunday presents us with the early ministry of Jesus. Testimonies about him continue especially from John the Baptist who has accomplished his mission. Today, he fulfilled his own prophecy: *"I am not he who is to come..."!* Surely, he was not the messiah. So, he directs all true disciples to Christ: *"Behold the Lamb of God!"* Today's gospel challenges us to reflect on our response to God's call. As he said to his first disciples, so he says to us: *"Come and see!"* Andrew invited his brother Peter with the same words: *"Come and see the messiah."* Also, after encountering Christ, the Samaritan woman invited her people with the same word: *"Come and see the Lord"* (*Jn 4, 29*). These are invitations to follow Christ. Responding to this invitation is a daily affair that requires the whole of our being. Also, it requires us to help others to respond. God calls us by our names every day: *"Come follow me; come and see."* Therefore, like the psalmist our response should always: *"Here I am Lord, I have come to do your will."*

Mass Times & Intentions **17th – 23rd January 2021**

Sat 16th Vigil 6:30pm: Marie Molloy (ANN)
Sun 17th 9:00am: Tom Deely, Eugene Levy, Pat Quinn (RIP), Stan Connolly, John Skelton (ANN), Essien-Oku family, Tiffany Essien-Oku, Connolly family (INT)
11:30am: Joe Falango, Pat Quinn, Winnie (Outreach), Patricia Etim-Bassey, Sharon O'Donnell, Charles Perkins, Mary Stack (RIP), Louise McDonnell, Ella Humphreys, Michael Rooney, Fr Kevin McDevitt (INT)
6:30pm: Paani Dias & family (INT)
Mon 18th: Marjorie Hall, Ethel Hassell (RIP), Essien-Oku family, Louise McDonnell, Tim Keenan, Rob Mills (INT)
Tue 19th St. Wulstan: Essien-Oku family (INT)
Wed 20th St. Fabian: Joan Platten, Stan Kilby (ANN), Essien-Oku family, Ella Humphreys (INT)
Thur 21st St. Agnes: Richard Tayler (ANN)
Fri 22nd St. Vincent: People of the Parish
Sat 23rd: Tiffany Essien-Oku, Declan Etukudoh, Jeremy Platten (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Tess McNaney, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Anne Quinlan, Ann Larkin, Philip O'Connor, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Magdalene Koronyo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnelly, Tom Rochford, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Diane Sewell, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Pirol, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Special intention, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Paani Dias

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit
Parish Priests: Fr. Dr Ugo Ikwuka CSSp, Fr. Benedict Baka CSSp, Fr. Oliver Ugwu CSSp
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Pastoral/Devotions: Confessions Sat. 11:30am & 6pm, **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary:** Sun. 10:30am, Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays (New time) 9.30am - 10.45pm. 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

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. 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. Amen.

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.' Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 39)

R. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me.
He heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. **R.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R.**

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
You know it, O Lord. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 6:13-15.17-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too. You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia

**Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

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R.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the

Mass	Readers	Stewards
Sat. 6.30pm	Bridget O'Dea	Precious Ohiambe/Bernie Shevlin
Sun. 9.00am	Rachel McGonigal	Precious Ohiambe/Gabriel Essien-Oku
Sun. 11.30am	Mark Renner	Precious Ohiambe/Bernie S /Ignatius E/Keisha H
Sun. 6.30pm	Tracey Shevlin	Precious Ohiambe

chalice that quenches my thirst.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Wulstan

Feast Day: 19th January



Wulfstan, also called Wulstan and Wolstan, was a bishop and reformer. Born in 1008 at Long-Itchington in Warwickshire, he studied at the abbeys of Evesham and Peterborough, received ordination, and joined the Benedictines at Worcester. Wulfstan served as treasurer of the church at Worcester, was prior of the monastery, and finally was named Bishop of Worcester in 1062. After overcoming initial doubts about his ability to hold the office of bishop, he demonstrated such skill after the Norman Conquest that he was the only bishop to be kept in his post by William the Conqueror. For the next three decades, Wulfstan rebuilt his cathedral, cared for the poor, and struggled to alleviate the harsh decrees of the Normans upon the vanquished Saxons. He died in 1095 and was canonised in 1203.

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.

Key Notes:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Julie Ballantyne 07985694199 Email: archwaysg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

- 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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