

NEWS AND VIEWS

Confirmation: The Parish Confirmation ceremony will be held this Sunday at 3pm. The Chief Celebrant will be Bishop Nicholas Hudson, the Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster. We have 16 candidates. Please pray for them. We are very grateful to their catechists and the RCIA team.

Thank you and Farewell Seminarian Precious: We have been blessed with Precious' presence and he has been with us for a while, he will be leaving us at the end of this month. We will continue to keep him in our thoughts and prayers as he continues with his seminary studies. Envelopes to appreciate him will be given out at all the Masses this weekend.

Endorsement/Signing of Documents: The Parish Priest is happy to endorse/sign documents at no cost for **IDENTIFIABLE PARISHIONERS ONLY**. Please encourage non-parishioners to please see an attorney or their GP.

First Holy Communion dates: June 20th, 26th (Reconciliation & rehearsals), 27th (Celebration of 1st Holy Communion at 3pm)

100 Club: June draw results. 1st No. 9, £220. 2nd No. 69, £75. 3rd No. 45, £35. 4th No. 64, £35. £365 was raised for parish funds. The July draw takes place after the Zoom Parish quiz on Friday 2nd July. New members welcome!

St. Vincent's Community Shop, raising funds for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, is a new charity shop at 550 Hol-loway Rd, N7 6JP (opp. Safestore). 020 7281 0634. Open Mon - Sat 10-6. They welcome donations, volunteers and, of course, customers.

Live-streamed Masses via ZOOM/Facebook on Week-days at 7pm: We have successfully started this for our spiritual nourishment even while we are at home or at work. It is also very easy to join the Mass through Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/ArchwayParish/>. God bless you as you join us. The Mass will be quiet, prayerful and in 25 minutes. **Zoom link for weekday evening Masses @ 7pm GMT** beginning **Monday 8th March**, is below; <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85921527142?pwd=L05jUHk4QWovWVQzSVpkNkZ3SGl3dz09> Meeting ID: **859 2152 7142** Passcode: **071411**

Christian Stewardship: (30th May / 6th June 2021) Envelopes: £517 Loose: £736.34. We also receive £520 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.


June Diary

Sunday 13th @ 3pm: **Parish Confirmation Ceremony**
 Sunday 27th @ 3pm: **Parish First Holy Communion Ceremony**

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




Last year, I replaced all the windows in my house with those expensive double-pane energy efficient kind, but this week I got a call from the contractor, complaining his work had been completed a year ago and I had yet to pay for them. Boy oh boy, did we go around and around. So, I proceeded to tell him just what his fast-talking sales guy had told me last year - namely, that in one year, the windows would pay for themselves...




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+ 11th Sunday In Ordinary Time Year B

13th June 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 eleventh Sunday of ordinary time, we are reminded that, as part of God's kingdom, the church of Christ is like a tree planted by God in the world. From the smallest of all seeds, she becomes the noblest of trees and fills the earth. She is the physical evidence of God's kingdom. So, like the birds of the air, we are called to make our home in her. Christ in the gospel uses two parables to describe the kingdom of God. The kingdom he invites us to is a simple and peaceful one. It is open to all who seek it with a sincere heart. The easiest way to enter into it is by sowing a seed of faith in Christ. Hence, in the second parable, the mustard seed which is the smallest seed refers to our faith. *"If you have faith like a grain of mustard seed...nothing will be impossible for you"* (Mt 17, 20). Faith grows and when it does, it achieves great things. As it grows it leads us to Christ and consequently to his kingdom. Also, our faith draws others to Christ and to his church, the visible sign of God's kingdom on earth. As Christ says: *"The birds of the air come to take shelter under its branches."* How does our faith draw others to Christ? When we demonstrate or bear a good testimony of our individual and collective faith, the result is great. Lives could be touched and transformed. There may seem to be insignificant achievements, but the seed is growing. This consequently leads to the growth of the church, the visible sign of God's kingdom on earth. As our faith grows, the church, the body of Christ grows and, more people are drawn into the comfort of God's kingdom.

- Mass Times & Intentions 13th – 19th June 2021**
- Sat 12th Vigil Mass 6:30pm:** May Kennedy (4th) (ANN), Private intentions, Fr Kevin, Kathleen Panayiotou (INT)
 - Sun 13th 9:00am:** Deceased members of Mayers family, Forbes family, Anna Coco-Bassey, Georgina Ulaeto (RIP), Stan Willis, Inez Vine, Elizabeth-Ann Dillon (42th) (ANN), Tyresse Drackett, Roberto & Michael Borella, Families of Gomes, Noronha & Barretto (INT)
 - 11:30am:** Joe & Suzy (Assunta) Turin, Joyce McDaid, Emma, Maureen McDonnell, Nula & Emma Costello (INT)
 - 6:30pm:** Udoh family, Tunu & Phil, Uche & Ekanem, Ushang & Larry, Essien-Oku family (INT)
 - Mon 14th 9:30am:** Bill Bradbrook, Sarena Scaglione (ANN), Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
 - Tue 15th 9:30am:** Bridie Redmond, Elizabeth Keating, Mary Mulcare (RIP) **7:00pm (Online)**
 - Wed 16th St. Richard of Chichester 9:30am:** Dorothy Quinlan (RIP), Brian King, John Joe O'Connor (ANN), Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
 - Thur 17th 9:30am:** Michael Osijo, Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
 - Fri 18th 9:30am:** Louis Coelho Snr (ANN), Dee-Arn Sewell, Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
 - Sat 19th St. Romuald 9:30am:** Bridget Cullan, Mary Gallagher (RIP), Roza Merzer (ANN), Kathleen Panayiotou (INT)

Please Pray For...

Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Anne Quinlan, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, 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 McKeane, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Special intention, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Paani Dias, Tony Glackin, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert

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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Pastorals/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

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called you, be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

OPENING PRAYER

O God, strength of those who hope in you, graciously hear our pleas, and, since without you mortal frailty can do nothing, grant us always the help of your grace, that in following your commands we may please you by our resolve and our deeds. 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 Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this: "From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 91)

R. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. **R.**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R.**

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God and bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 4:36-34

Jesus said to the crowds: "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come." He also said, "What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds in the air can shelter in its shade. Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they are capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

O God, who in the offerings presented here provide for the twofold needs of human nature, nourishing us with food and renewing us with your Sacrament, grant, we pray, that the sustenance they provide may not fail us in body or in spirit. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

There is one thing that I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As this reception of your Holy Communion, O Lord, foreshadows the union of the faithful in you, so may it bring about unity in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Joanna Hemingway
Rachel McGonigal
Mark Renner
Joseph Ogbonna

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers/Bernie S
Precious Ohiambe / Ann Waldron/ Essien E-Oku
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Precious Ohiambe/Joseph Ogbonna

FEAST OF THE WEEK



St Richard of Chichester

16th June

Richard de Wyche was born at Wyche in Worcestershire in 1197. Orphaned while a young boy, he managed to regain his fortune which had been mismanaged by others and was educated at Oxford, Paris, and Bologna. At Oxford, he studied under the famous Robert Grossteste and became friends with St. Edmund Rich. He was appointed chancellor of Oxford in 1235 and then chancellor to Edmund Rich, who by now was Archbishop of Canterbury. St Boniface named Richard to the see of Chichester, but he was prevented from entering his palace by the machinations of King Henry III, who had appointed Ralph Neville. Only after the king was threatened with excommunication was he able to take up his duties in 1245. He insisted upon strict adherence to discipline among the clergy, aided the poor, and fearlessly denounced the corruption and vices of the contemporary Church and the royal court. He died in 1253 in a home for poor priests in Dover, while delivering a plea for a crusade. Richard was canonised in 1262.

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: Percy Aggett (Temporary) 02077989350 Email: tollingtonparksg@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.

Parish Health and Safety Team: Maria Okereafor 07830000919, Jeanette Fayers 07738929756, Joan Fitzgerald 07811419531

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