



Christ Yesterday, Today & Forever

The parish office should be your first port of call for any enquiries including appointments and arrangements for all sacraments (e.g. baptisms, weddings, funerals). Please email Karin Rattray, the Parish Secretary, at kingston@rcaos.org.uk or call on 020 8546 4633. The office is open from 9.30am to 2.00pm Monday to Friday. Could you please limit telephone calls outside these hours to emergencies only

CLERGY

Fr. Anthony Oleh, MSP — Parish Priest
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FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES

SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2019 – TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY (C)

Saturday 31st

9.30am Arend Dieperink RIP
6.30pm John Davis RIP

Sunday 1st

Twenty-second Sunday
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

9.00am Frederico Dos Remedios RIP
10.30am Rev. Fr. Gerry O'Brien RIP
6.30pm People of the Parish

Monday 2nd

9.30am Mr & Mrs Walsh (Ireland)

Tuesday 3rd

St Gregory the Great, Pope, Feast
The Toolan Family

Wednesday 4th

9.30am Rev. Fr. Gerry O'Brien RIP

Thursday 5th

7.30am Holy Souls

Friday 6th

9.30am Rev. Fr. Gerry O'Brien RIP

Saturday 7th

9.30am Arend Dieperink RIP
6.30pm People of the Parish

Exposition: Monday to Saturday 8.30 – 9.20am.
Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday 9am.
Confessions: Saturday 10.00-10.30am, 18.00-18.15pm & at call.
Baptisms: By previous arrangement on Sundays at 12.30pm.
Marriages: Six months' notice required – Diocesan rule.
ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH (7th September) WE WILL HAVE ONE HOUR OF EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. BETWEEN 10AM AND 11AM.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Pat Appleby, John Sewter, Christina Ward, Bill Kerrigan, Tess Bird, Clare Horgan, Keith Fraser, Trish Taylor and Ryan Morrison. Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either you or your relatives and friends want to be mentioned in our sick list.

ANNIVERSARIES

Montague Davis-Brown, Mary Ann Keenan, Marie Louise Rogerson, Rachel Liddy, Antonio Amor, Cesare Orindi, Bernard Fenton, Ellen Mary Cook, Patrick Francis Sheehy, Antoinette Osborne, Maureen Garrow-Fisher, Walter Williams, Jane Thompson, William Dracas, John Patrick Hanrahan, James Ryan, Robert Strong, Francis Rorke, Joseph Connolly, Bill Carr, Charles Forey, Bernardo Martini, Thomas Kearns, Anne Doherty, Monica Lamb, Mabel Dickinson, Anna McDonagh, Vincent McNulty, Beatrice Barker, Andrew Marshall, Guilhermina Fernandes, Tullie Di Vito.
++++ May they rest in Peace +++++

LET US REMEMBER ALL WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Let us remember those who have died and their families with love and affection during this time of grief.

OFFERINGS

Table with 4 columns: Collection Name, Type, Amount, Total. Includes First collection, Retiring Collection, and TOTAL £940.68.

Next Sunday is Education Sunday and our retiring collection will be for the Catholic Education Service (CES).

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Sunday 1st September 2019

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1,7-14 When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

Reflection

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

In these sayings, Luke gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society. Luke's Gospel also advises us how the Church must be part of bringing about this society. It is yet another example in Luke's Gospel of the reversal the kingdom brings about.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

We welcome back those who have returned from their holidays; we hope you had fun, were able to catch up with friends and relatives, and that you have had a good rest. We hope that you feel able to add a spark to the life of this Parish and will get involved. Please pop into the Cloister after the 9am and 10.30am Sunday Masses, from next Sunday, 8th September, to say hello, have a cup of tea or coffee, meet with parishioners and find out more about what is going on in the parish. We ultimately look forward to meeting with you all.

++ REV FR GERRY O'BRIEN, RIP ++

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our former parish priest here at St Agatha, Rev. Father Gerard (Gerry) O'Brien who died on Thursday 22nd August 2019. Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen. Funeral details to follow...

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST PAUL, MSP, APPEAL

During the summer we welcomed Fr. Franklin Achionye, MSP, who did a Mission appeal for the MSP; we thank you for your continued support, a total of £907.11 was raised.

HAVE A BLESSED AND PEACEFUL WEEK!

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C
Sunday 25th August 2019

Gospel Reading *Luke 14:1,7-14 When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.*

Family Reflection

Parents and children often enter into "negotiations" over how much allowance is to be earned at certain ages. Typically, when a child seeks an increase in allowance, parents will attach an increase in chores and responsibilities for them to better earn the increase. Talk about what kind of allowance you received as a child and what kind of responsibilities your parents expected of you to earn your allowance.

Explain that in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about doing good deeds for others and expecting nothing in return. Read aloud Luke 14:1,7-14. Ask your children how they would feel if you told them to take on more chores without ever expecting another raise in allowance. Emphasize that Jesus teaches us that it is our duty as his followers to take care of the needs of others and to do so without expecting repayment. Discuss what other types of rewards we can find when doing good things for others.

Point out that we sometimes fall into the trap of wanting too many things and that, in the Our Father, we pray for "our daily bread," meaning that we pray for only that which we really need in life. Conclude this time together by praying aloud the Our Father.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

Commissioning Day for Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The next Commissioning Day for Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be in at the Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St George on **Saturday 12th October 2019 at 10am concluding with Mass at 2.30pm. Please contact the parish office for further details.**

Annual day of recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers

The annual day of recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers for South West Area will take place at St. Boniface, Tooting SW17 9PG, on **Saturday 26th October 2019**. As we are preparing to keep "Year of the Word" from



1st December, the reflections of the day will be based on the Gospel of Matthew and the day itself will be given by Fr. Adrian Graffy.



Please collect an invitation and programme form from the back of the church; please return the reply slip to the parish office by 30th September 2019. All the ministers of word and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist are requested to attend the day. Thank you.

Please see the Parish noticeboard for more details of the following:

- **The Mustard Seed**
- **St John's Seminary Chapel Appeal**
- **Conquest Art Group at St Pius**
- **London SW Catholic Social Group**
- **Job Vacancy at Holy Cross Prep**
- **Parishioner/Teacher seeking Accommodation**
- **A Day with Mary**

Important Upcoming Dates:

Monday 2 nd Sept	St Agatha's School INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd Sept	St Agatha's School INSET Day
Saturday 7 th Sept	Monthly Adoration
Wednesday 11 th Sept	Parish Men's Group
Saturday 14 th Sept	Michael Monk Memorial Mass
Sunday 22 nd Sept	Baptism Preparation Class
Friday 27 th Sept	Secondary School Application Signing

Parish Men's Group

The men of the parish meet together once a month at the Wych Elm. The group will meet on the following dates in 2019, please note changes to some previously announced dates: **11th September**, 23rd October and 27th November. Please come along and join them from 8pm.

St Agatha's Church Youth Club

The youth club resumes on Friday 13th September at 6pm. We would also like to thank the parishioners who have already come forward to help, however, **we urgently need more**

volunteers, of all ages, to help behind the scenes with the various tasks involved with running the club, such as setting up and clearing away equipment, to ensure the club can continue. No experience of youth work is necessary. Could you spare just a few hours a month? Please sign up in the church porch or speak with Frs. Anthony or Pius or contact the parish office for further details.



Michael Monk RIP

All are warmly invited to a Mass for the Monk Family's intentions on **Saturday 14th September at 11am**. This will be followed by light refreshments in the cloister and church grounds. This Mass replaces the "Team Monk" tea party which was to be held in the grounds of the school on the same day and Mr Monk is planning to join us. For further information please contact Josie Bate:

goldenjosie@gmail.com

Baptism Preparation Class

Our next baptism preparation class will be held on **Sunday 22nd September 2019**. If you are considering your child's baptism, please complete an application form, available from the back of the church and return to the Parish Office and register for this class

Secondary School 2019 Application Forms

The time of year has come when many parents are thinking about places in a Catholic School. Regular Mass attendance is a requirement for a reference to be completed. If you have recently moved to the area you should seek a priest reference from your previous parish which we will then countersign.

A priest will be available to sign secondary school application forms on **Friday 27th September between 2pm and 4pm**. No appointment is necessary, please call at the Presbytery. Please ensure that you complete as much of the forms as possible and if you have any reference letters, please also bring these along with you. Please bring all relating documents with you at this time, especially Baptism Certificates.

The majority of people living on our planet profess to be believers. This should spur religions to dialogue among themselves for the sake of protecting nature, defending the poor, and building networks of respect and fraternity. ~ Pope Francis
(1st September, World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation)