

Tuesday 8.00pm:

PARISH DIARY

Parish Prayer Group

Friday 7.30pm:

Helpers' Parish Social

FEASTS FOR THE WEEK

There are no feasts this week.

OFFERINGS

First collection Gift Aid £628.00 Loose £287.06

Retiring collection (Peter's Pence) Gift Aid £44.00 Loose £62.34

This weekend's retiring collection is for CAFOD.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Grace Gibbs, Simon Leo, Paul & June McMahon, Michael Boyle, Maureen Allen, Eileen Hurley, Elizabeth O'Daley, Ellen Basci, Joan Gallagher, Kay Kennedy, Stephane Patten, John Sewter, Ryan Morison, Keith Fraser, Ronnie Xavier, Marie Elsey, Christopher Browne, Mary Wallace, Rosa Vitolo, Elsie Malone & Colette Patten.

ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Ann Duckett, Adele Morganti, Mary Ellen Lewis, Mother Rita, Hannah Mclsaac, Horace Rice, Paul Cantoni, Margaret Mary Elliott, Vanda Warne, John O'Donoghue, Thomas Navin, Eliza Judge, Edward Keating, Mary Flaherty, Raymond Solomon, Margaret Purser, Gladys Webley, Henry McFarland, Elizabeth Pask, Richard Duckett, James McDonnell, Vincent Bruce McCall, Jane Readon, Jessica Lilian Morgan, Sidney George Charles White, Frederick Norman, Irene Coll, Ian McIntyre, Hannah Coughlan, Stephen Robin John, Bela Szollosi, Frederic Joseph Wilkie, Daniel O'Dwyer, Margaret Mary Lane, Margaret Hopwood .

+++ May they rest in peace +++

Prudential Ride London / Surrey

This world class festival of cycling will once again pass through Kingston on **Sunday 31st July**. It will affect all those coming to morning mass by car from East of Park Road or South of Canbury Park Road. Queens Road and the lower part of Kingston Hill will be closed from 5.00am until about 11.00am. London Road and roads to Kingston Bridge will be closed from 5.00am until about 2.45pm. The route from the Portsmouth Road to Coombe Lane West, via the High Street, Clarence Street, Wood Street, Fairfield North, London Road and Coombe Road will be closed from 7.00am until about 7.00pm. Some bus routes will be affected. There will be pedestrian crossing places along the route and the town centre will remain open as normal. Further details will be available shortly.



Christ Yesterday, Today & Forever

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 3rd July 2016

Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

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| Saturday | 9.30am | Holy Souls |
| | 6.30pm | John Chandler |
| Sunday | 9.00am | Arthur & Robin O'Connor |
| | 10.30am | People of the Parish |
| | 6.30pm | In Thanksgiving |
| Monday | 9.30am | Special Intention |
| Tuesday | 9.30am | Raymond Solomon |
| Wednesday | 9.30am | Rose Pereira |
| Thursday | 9.30am | Billy Kilkenny |
| Friday | 9.30am | In Thanksgiving |
| Saturday | 9.30am | Holy Souls |
| | 6.30pm | Special Intention |
| Confessions: | Saturday 10.00-11.00am, 18.00-18.15pm and at call | |
| Baptisms: | By previous arrangement | |
| Marriages: | Six months notice required - Diocesan rule | |

But Jesus did not shed these wounds. He retained them. For him those wounds were not things to be ashamed of or embarrassed about. They were the living proof of his love, the tangible and telling signs of how costly love can be. They were more like badges of honour, or hard-won medals of distinction. They were still wounds but the poison had gone out of them, and so they no longer hurt. Because the wounds of Jesus are still visible on his risen body they have become a source of hope for all of us, especially for those who have suffered and still suffer.

PARISH NOTICES

EU Referendum

Parishioners may be interested to read the statement issued by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales on the outcome of the EU Referendum.

"A great tradition of the United Kingdom is to respect the will of the people, expressed at the ballot box. Today we set out on a new course that will be demanding on all. Our prayer is that all will work in this task with respect and civility, despite deep differences of opinion. We pray that in this process the most vulnerable will be supported and protected, especially those who are easy targets for unscrupulous employers and human traffickers. We pray that our nations will build on our finest traditions of generosity, of welcome for the stranger and shelter for the needy. We now must work hard to show ourselves to be good neighbours and resolute contributors in joint international efforts to tackle the critical problems of our world today."

Helpers' Parish Social

St Agatha's Helpers' Parish Social will take place on **Friday 8th July at 7.30pm** – venue will be the space outside the Church at the back of the cloister (weather permitting) or, we can set up inside in case of rain. We would like to extend an invitation to everyone in our church community who kindly lends a hand 'in *any* and *every* capacity' – either to Father Gerry personally, or towards the smooth operation of our lovely church, grounds and facilities. Below the A4 poster advertising this social event on the noticeboard inside the front door, there is a list of helpers' groups, and if you are available to join us on 8th, please find your help group and write your name alongside suggesting something that you may like to make or buy re. food/drink for this occasion- (we have left a space for you to add your name and category in the space provided on the sheet if not listed). Fr Gerry is extremely appreciative to have so many 'willing souls' and wants this to be a wonderful opportunity for us all to get together, relax and enjoy each other's company! We hope you can come! Please watch this space for further news...

Parish Prayer Group

The Parish Prayer Group meets every **Tuesday at 8.00pm** in the church for rosary, prayer and intercession. All parishioners are most welcome to join us. Please enter via the presbytery.

Richard Challoner Summer Fun Day

The school will hold its exciting Fun Day on **Saturday 10th July** with the theme of the Olympics from **12 noon to 4.00pm**. All parishioners are most welcome to attend. For further information, see the poster on the church notice board.

REFLECTION

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith.

Where there is darkness, light.

Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much

seek to be consoled, as to console;

to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Instruments of the Lord

St Francis of Assisi

First Reading: Isaiah 66: 10-14

The intimate relationship of God with his chosen ones is described in terms of the close bond between a mother and her child. It is a love that nourishes, renews and restores.

Second Reading: Galatians 6: 14-18

The priority for a believer is not adherence to a particular system of rules or regulations but a new attitude which recognises that Jesus and his sacrifice call out for a response which can only be measured in love.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20

The right companions and the right equipment are required in order to present an authentic Gospel message to the world. Time should not be wasted on those who reject the message but instead energies can be focussed on healing and help.

Sea Sunday

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. The retiring collection will be for the Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. It provides practical and spiritual support to farers visiting our ports. As it is wholly dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. For more information about its work visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Gift Aid

Please collect your gift aid envelopes from the back of the church.