

FEASTS FOR THE COMING WEEKS

Monday 4th: St Cuthbert
 Friday 8th: The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary
 Wednesday 13th: St John Chrysostom
 Thursday 14th: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 Friday 15th: Our Lady of Sorrows
 Saturday 16th: Saints Cornelius and Cyprian
 Monday 18th: St Edith of Kemsing
 Tuesday 19th: St Theodore of Canterbury
 Wednesday 20th: St Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions
 Thursday 21st: St Matthew, Apostle
 Saturday 23rd: St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

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, Kay Williams, Keith Fraser, Ronnie Xavier, Marie Elsey, Christopher Browne, Mary Wallace, Rosa Vitolo, Elsie Malone & Anna O'Brien..

ANNIVERSARIES

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, Bridget Breen, Emily Ellen Geal, Dorothy Whelan, Ellen Gadd, Frank Andrews, Constance O'Neill, Ken Woolger, Nellie Flynn, Maureen Geary, Lionel Osborne, Elizabeth Pettyfer, Nancy Casey, Herminea Lintern, Roseanna Stimson, Henry Stimson, Anne Collopy, Roy Browne, Oswald Garrow-Fisher, William Parker, Edward Heaton Harris, Kathleen Edwards, Ellie Mary Cahill, Michael Henry, Marie Dolan, Thomas Murray, Carlo Fiorellino, Kate Glasbey, Percival Rowland McCormack, Francis Steward, Norma Verhoven, Arnold Brenninkmeyer, William Brady, Daniel Cullinane, Eric Wilson, Eric Ross, Peter Jones, Stella Teresa Solly, Alice Goodchild, Michael Harrison, Mary Josephine Thomas, John Elliot, Julia Forde, Reginald Jackson, Kathleen O'Connell, Cathleen Seymour, Colman Tierney, Nora Gugen, Seamus Dooley, Caroline Battye, Kathleen Isabel Shanahan, Mollie Laing, Gertrude Fielder, George Pollard, Christopher Doyle, Isabella Lowe, Anthony O'Connell, Frances Mary Oborn, Winifred Arendse, Harry Lee, Margaret Cedro, Sharmain Tavares, Joseph Broom, Margaret Maguire, Patrick Quinn, Ida Phillips.

+++ May they rest in peace +++



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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE THREE WEEK PERIOD			
Sunday 3rd September to Sunday 17th September 2017			
Twenty Second to Twenty Fourth Sundays (A)			
Week beginning 3rd September			
Saturday	6.30pm	Holy Souls	
Sunday	9.00am	Fr Allen Collins RIP	
	10.30am	Eric & Bernade De Brazza Wedding Anniversary	
	6.30pm	Hannah Ruth Mennis RIP	
Monday	9.30am	Bernard Fenton RIP	
Tuesday	9.30am	Keith Hoskin's Welfare	
Wednesday	9.30am	Canon William Clements RIP	
Thursday	9.30am	In Thanksgiving	
Friday	9.30am	Joseph Deacy RIP	
Saturday	9.30am	Barry Nicholls RIP	
	6.30pm	Russell di Carlo & Roceli Rojo	
Week beginning 10th September		Week beginning 17th September	
Sunday	9.00am	Seamus Dooley RIP	9.00am People of the Parish
	10.30am	People of the Parish	10.30am Thomas Turnbull RIP
	6.30pm	Fr John Lavery RIP	6.30pm Betty Dunne RIP
Monday	9.30am	Nick van der Borgh RIP	9.30am Ramundaga Brandali
Tuesday	9.30am	Sadie & Louis Cronin RIP	9.30am Seamus Dooley RIP
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Souls	9.30am Holy Souls
Thursday	9.30am	Edith Knight RIP	9.30am St Agatha's School
Friday	9.30am	Nicholls family	9.30am Holy Souls
Saturday	9.30am	Stephen Jenkins RIP	9.30am Holy Souls
	6.30pm	Fr John Lavery RIP	6.30pm People of the Parish

PARISH NOTICES

Welcome Fr Julius

We welcome Father Julius Otoaye MSP, formerly parish priest of St Pius X, Norbiton, who is now serving with us. It is anticipated that he will remain the chaplain to Kingston Hospital and that a colleague will join us shortly. We bid Fr Julius welcome, offer him our support and look forward to his ministry among us.

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.

Parish Men's Group

The next meeting of the Parish Men's Group will be on **Wednesday 20th September** at the Wych Elm from **8.00pm**. All men of the parish are invited to join us for a friendly and relaxed evening lubricated by a pint or two.

The Mustard Seed

The next evening of renewal where we are given the opportunity to grow in faith in the power of the Holy Spirit will be on **Saturday 23rd September** at St Margaret's Catholic Church, East Twickenham, TW1 1RL, about one hundred yards from St Margarets rail station, at 7.45 pm for 8.00pm. The theme of the evening will be the gift of prophesy. The evening will include praise, reflection, teaching and individual prayer ministry for those who wish for it. It will conclude at 10.00pm. Many people from Kingston attend this monthly event. All are welcome.

Charity dinner

A charity dinner is being arranged in aid of the Sri Lankan aid organisation run by the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament. All of the proceeds will go directly to the poor and vulnerable, including a number of orphans.

The dinner will be on **Saturday 9th September** at St Thomas Aquinas Church Hall, Ham, TW10 7HT. It will begin at **7.00pm** for **7.30pm** after the parish 6.00pm mass.

There will be live music, a raffle and prizes and good company.

Tickets cost £20, for which you get a three-course meal and a glass of wine. For tickets and further information, please contact Delrine on 020 8974 5761.

Thank you for your generosity.

Sale of books

A large number of books has been placed in the cloister. Parishioners are most welcome to take any of them. If you wish to make a donation to CAFOD that will be gratefully received. The box for donations is in the church porch.

REFLECTIONS by Fr Flor McCarthy S.D.B.

GAINING AND LOSING

3rd September

There is a way of losing by gaining. You can win an argument but lose a friend. Through competition and promotion I may advance in my profession, but in terms of relationships I am impoverished. My energies are so focused on efficiency and success that I haven't time to grow emotionally and to develop my capacity for relationships. In one's drive to obtain power, a person may sacrifice friendship and loyalty, so much that one ends up alone. Lord, let me never forget your haunting words: "What good will it do to you to gain the whole world if you lose your soul?"

HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART

10th September

'O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your hearts.' From a spiritual point of view, hardness of heart is one of the worst things that can happen to anyone. To adopt a hard-hearted attitude is to maim oneself. A hard heart can't feel, can't respond, can't love. A hard heart can't experience joy. A hard heart is a closed heart. A hard heart is a barren heart. A soft heart, on the other hand, is a blessing. A soft heart can receive and can respond. It can be saddened but it can also be deliriously happy. Softened by the rain of God's grace, and warmed by the sun of his love, the human heart can be turned from a desert into a garden.

FORGIVENESS

17th September

When we forgive we free ourselves from the burden of bitterness, and we free the other person of the burden of guilt. But our forgiveness must come from the heart, which means it must be true, sincere and warm. A cold forgiveness is not much use. Forgiveness should start now. Putting it off only deepens the wound, prolongs bitterness, and postpones happiness. Life is short, time is fleeting. Today is the day to forgive. Lord, deliver us from the poison of bitterness, and give us the grace to forgive from the heart those who have offended us. Then we will know the warmth of your forgiveness.

Parish Diary

Each Tuesday 8.00pm:	Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 12th September 7.30pm:	Baptism Preparation meeting
Wednesday 20th September 8.00pm:	Parish Men's Group
Saturday 23rd September 7.45pm:	Mustard Seed, Twickenham

Baptism Preparation

There will be a baptism preparation meeting in the Presbytery on **Tuesday 12th September** at **7.30pm**. Only one parent need attend. Please do not bring children because of the threat of disruption.