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Sunday 10th July 2016

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

" SEA SUNDAY"

(Year C)

Mass Times and Intentions: Sunday 10^{th} July -15^{th} Sunday in OT

6.15pm (Saturday 9th July) Holy Souls

8.30am Welfare of the Sunich family 10.00am Welfare of Pio Dias

11.30am Welfare of all Seafarers

4.00pm Benediction

5.00pm People of the parish

Fifteenth week in Ordinary Time:

Monday 11th July

7.30am William Rebello RIP 10.00am Tommy Forkan RIP

Tuesday 12th July 7.30am Holy Souls

10.00am Welfare of Mick Cole

Wednesday 13th July 7.30am Holy Souls

10am Welfare of the Mobile family

Thursday 14th July

7.30am Holy Souls

10.00am Welfare of Anita and Alan

Blaquiere

Friday 15th July

7.30am In Thanksgiving for Louis Kwame Tsega 10.00am Babs Corr RIP

Saturday 16th July – Our Lady

10.00am Mr Boka RIP (BTG intention)

Next Sunday 17th July – 16th Sunday in OT

6.15pm (Saturday 16th July) Karl Maxwell RIP

8.30am Christine Clark RIP

10.00am Robert Clare RIP

11.30am Margaret & Patrick Collins RIP

(Plainchant choir singing)

4.00pm Benediction

5.00pm People of the parish

Daily Mass & Prayer:

*Mass: Mon - Fri: 7.30am

*Morning Prayer of the Church

Mon - Sat **9.15am**

*Adoration & Benediction.

Mon – Sat **9.30am**

*Mass: Mon – Sat 10.00am

*Rosary: Mon - Sat 10.30am

*Confessions:

Saturday, after 10.00am Mass, until 11.00am; then in the afternoon from

5.00pm to 6.00pm, and at call, provided that a priest is available.

Parish Mass Book: This Sunday P. 108

Thank you for your continuous generosity: Last weekend's collection came to £1772.05 (£1160.05 Baskets; £612.00 Standing Orders)

LIFE thank you for helping them to raise £117.50 last Sunday. This has been sent to LIFE HQ. See: www.lifecharity.org.uk;

The UCM thank you for helping them to raise £70.35 on Sunday 26th June. Please call at the presbytery to claim your raffle prizes.

Greatful thanks from the **SVP** to all those parishioners who gave so generously to their appeal collection on the weekend of June 26th. The final total was £640.38.



Today, "Sea Sunday", there will be a Second Collection for the Apostleship of the Sea (APS), a Catholic charity which supports seafarers worldwide. Part of the Stella Maris network, this organisation provides pastoral support, welfare services and friendship to seaferers who are far from home, often facing danger, hardship and loneliness. We all rely on such people without even realising! PLEASE DO NOT USE YOUR GIFT AID ENVELOPES.

Apostleship of the Sea provide their own envelopes, which will be available in the porch. Only the APS envelopes will suffice for this collection, and ample have been provided for this purpose. APS claim Gift Aid centrally. *Please take an info card which commemorates Sea Sunday*.

GIFT AID NEWS

After Mass, if you make your offerings to the Church by Gift Aid, <u>EVEN IF YOU GIVE BY STANDING ORDER</u>, please go to the little room behind Our Lady's Altar in order to collect your **End of Year Letters** as well as your **boxes of new Gift Aid Envelopes**. If you any questions or issues regarding Gift Aid, please see the Gift Aid Organisers. Please also see the most important notice overleaf about the latest taxation rules, which are particularly important if, amongst other things, you have retired and/or you no longer pay tax.



We welcome Fr Paul back from his summer break

Fr Deo will be setting off for Tanzania on Wednesday 20th July, returning on Thursday 25th August.

We welcome into the Church, through the Sacrament of Baptism, William James Arthur Griffiths who was Baptised here last Sunday.

MISSIO – Please would all Promoters and Box holders note that collection is due this month of July.

In the coming week:

Monday 11th - The UCM meet in the upper hall from 2pm to 4pm.

Next Sunday - Coffee Morning with Savio and Lynette Fernandes, after <u>all</u> morning Masses, for the Don Bosco Shelter in Mumbai, India.

THE PILGRIM – Please take your FREE copy of the July edition which includes an article about the Apostleship of the Sea and "Sea Sunday".

CONGRATULATIONS

to Natalie Cutajar and Grant Reece who were married here on Friday. We pray for them and wish them both a long and happy life together.

Please pray for the Sick and Housebound:



Jessica Anane, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,
Anita Blaquiere, Frances Caulfield, Raffaela Forte,
Rachel Gadd, Eamon Gillespie, Elaine Gunther,
Anne Harris, Agnes Healy, Joan Huie, Felix Isichei,
Mary Kenny, Linda Lovel, Elsie McCleave,
James McDonald, Breda McDonagh, Jose Mcmillan,
Ajitha Mahatantila, Charmaine Meli, George Meyern,
Mary Meyern, Edgar Ming, Peter Ranawake,
Marion Robertson, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott,
Elizabeth Scott, Mrs Bobby Thain, Edythe Thirlwall,
Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Georgette Yoo Foo.

Recently Deceased:

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of a young student from BTG School, **Yvonne Appiah**, of St Andrew's Thornton Heath parish, who died recently.

Also **Thomas Hanley**, late of Bridgewood Rd, Streatham Vale, who died on 24th June 2016.

As ever, our sympathy as a parish goes to the families.

Church Cleaning: Group 5 this week:

Elizabeth Ayoola, Kelly Bello, Sandra Hodgson, Emma Morrone, Livia Pappano, Amanda Squires, Maria Verrilli. *Please consider whether you could give up* some time to help clean the church.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: The next course takes place on Saturdays July 16th & July 23rd at 3pm. If you are considering having your child Baptised in the coming months, you are advised to sign up for this course. Please look out for more dates in the autumn, when courses resume.

The Church Halls:

Please note that both the upper and lower halls will be closed to all users from Monday 25^{th} July – Friday 2^{nd} September inclusive for redecoration. If this is likely to take any longer, we shall inform you accordingly. Parish groups are asked where possible to clear their cupboards in order that they may be included in the redecoration programme.

!!!!IMPORTANT WARNING!!!!

THERE IS SCAFFOLDING TO THE REAR AND SIDES OF THE CHURCH AND PRESBYTERY. THIS DUE TO ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE WORK ON OUR VERY OLD GUTTERING AND ROOF TILES. WE ASK THAT YOU TAKE CARE AROUND THE SCAFFOLDING; IN PARTICULAR PLEASE ENSURE THAT CHILDREN STAY WELL AWAY FROM IT. PLEASE BEAR WITH US OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKSWHILST THIS VITAL WORK IS CARRIED OUT.

The Repository:

The cause of the recent flooding of the Repository has now been investigated. Remedial work will be carried out as soon as possible. In the meantime the Repository remains open as usual. **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY** Please see posters in the porch for further details of these. Open Evenings for schools are also being announced around this time. Again, details may be found on the notice boards.

Father Deo would like to meet briefly with the three following groups before he goes on holiday. Meetings will be held in either the hall, the church or the presbytery as appropriate. Please contact Fr Deo directly if you need to. READERS – Wednesday 13th July 2016 at 7:30pm; EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION - Thursday 14th July 2016 at 7:30pm; MONEY COUNTERS – Friday 15th July 2016 at 7:30pm.

VERY IMPORTANT GIFT AID INFORMATION:

Would all Gift Aiders, whether existing or new, please be aware that there have recently been significant changes to the tax system. Gift Aiders should therefore review very carefully whether or not they will be paying sufficient tax in 2016-17 in order to cover the gift aid that St Bartholomew's will claim back on their donations.

The major points that may take people out of paying sufficient tax are:

- a) The first £1,000 of investment income is tax free from 2016.
- b) The first £5,000 of Dividend Income is tax free.
- c) Tax free personal allowance is up to £11,000 from April 2016, rising to £12,500 in future.
- d) Higher Rate tax threshold rises to £43,000 from April 2016 It will be appreciated that many of our gift aid donors who rely on pensions and savings will be falling out of income tax completely (e.g. you would need to have bank savings and shares worth something over £100,000 to use up the two new tax-free allowances on interest and dividends) and many others too will no longer be paying tax. Clearly, those Gift Aiders who are affected by these changes should advise the Parish Office if they will need to leave the Gift Aid scheme. Please be aware that all such matters are treated in the strictest confidence by the Gift Aid organisers and the parish office.

To all our Adult Altar Servers: An important notice regarding DBS Clearance.

As you know it is imperative that we all complete our DBS (child protection) clearance paperwork.

We need this for the Parish and to protect ourselves individually as we work with our younger altar servers.

We have not had a great response yet. We have completed Altar Server forms, but not the actual DBS paperwork. Therefore, we are going to leave, in the main Sacristy area, an envelope for each of our adult servers.

We should be grateful if the forms enclosed could be completed by the end of this month of July.

Please collect yours from the Sacristy this weekend.

Please <u>urgently</u> help us to get this important task finished. If anyone has any concerns or issues, please let Nana, Fr Deo, Deacon Ged or myself know.

Thank you. Jed Murphy, Master of Ceremonies.

A Day With Mary – Saturday July 23rd 2016 at St Anselm's in Tooting Bec. Full details are on the poster in the porch.

Twenty Four Hours for the Lord, and Visit to the Holy Door. Please keep in your diaries Friday 9th and Saturday 10th September for these events. We are doing these things at the request of His Holiness Pope Francis as part of our participation as a parish in the Extraordinary Year of Mercy. If you would like to read more about the Holy Door and its meaning, you will find a CTS pamphlet, which explains it, in the porch beside the Repository.

PARISH AGM – Thanks to all who attended this event last Wednesday. The minutes and reports from various parish groups will be published in due course and be available in the porch