

St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 2nd August 2015

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year B)

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 2nd August

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:15 (Saturday eve, 1st August)

Zofia Franzmann RIP

8:30 People of the parish

10:00 Maria Ngân RIP

11:30 Welfare of Robert Clare

4:00 Benediction

5:00 Charles Burke RIP

Monday 3rd August

10:00 Ellen & Robert Ivan Foster RIP

Tuesday 4th August

*St John Vianney, Priest,
Patron of parochial clergy
(Memorial)*

10:00 Maria-Grazia Caterino RIP

Wednesday 5th August

10:00 Peter Blaquiére RIP

Thursday 6th August

The Transfiguration of the Lord (Feast)

10:00 Hazel Abreo RIP

Friday 7th August

10:00 Welfare of

Flaviano Desa & family

Saturday 8th August

*St Dominic, Priest
(Memorial)*

10:00 Mary Downey RIP

1:00 Wedding of

Thomas O'Regan

& Michelle Sinclair Reilly

Next Sunday 9th August,

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:15 (Sat eve)

Welfare of Hilda Martin

8:30 Mary Macintosh RIP

10:00 People of the parish

11:30 Ellis Foundation Mass

4:00 Benediction

5:00 Neil Cannon RIP

Daily Mass & Prayer:

Mass: Mon – Fri 7:30am

Morning Prayer of the Church:

Mon - Sat **9:15am**

Adoration & Benediction

Mon – Sat **9:30am**

(First Fridays until 2:00pm)

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.

Readings in Parish Mass Book:

This Sunday, 2nd August – p 114

Transfiguration, 6th August – p 175

Next Sunday, 9th August – p 117

Thank You:

The collection for July 26th was

£1909.41: £1179.41 (baskets) &

£730.00 (standing orders)

The Day For Life collection raised a total of £575.25.

We welcome Father Denis Paul to say the 10:00am & 11:30am Masses.

He will also be doing this for the next two Sundays, after which Father Deo will be back with us.

Raffle prizes from the last coffee morning remain for collection by the winners, in the presbytery. Please call in so as to claim your prize.

Recent Vocations in our diocese:

Please pray for three young men of our archdiocese, all past pupils of the John Fisher School, Purley, who were recently ordained to the Sacred Priesthood. They are:

Father James Cadman,

Father Mark Higgins

Father Matthew O'Gorman.

Thank God for these men who have answered God's call to minister to His flock in this special way. May God bless them all as they begin their Priestly ministry.

The July edition of the

Southwark Vocations Magazine

is now available in the porch. If you think you may have a vocation to the Priesthood or the religious life, please speak to one of the clergy. You may also contact Fr Stephen Langridge, Vocations Director for Southwark on: 01227 272824 or email him at: info@southwarkvocations.com Please pray constantly for more vocations in the Church. *“The harvest is great, but the labourers are few.”*

Sick and Housebound:

Jessica Anane, Mary Aroganampillai, Juliette Blake, Fr Andrew Fernandes, Liam Goddard, Elaine Gunther, Anne Harris, Felix Isichei, James McDonald, Breda McDonagh, Ajitha Mahatantila, Peter Mendonca, Edgar Ming, Idy Rastrick, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Jeannette Storage-Rutter, Edythe Thirlwall, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Georgette Yoo Foo.

Please inform us if you or anybody else you know would like to be added to the list of sick and housebound, and if a priest is required to pay a visit.

Recently Deceased:

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mrs Uilda St John, of Stanford Road, who died on 23rd July 2015. Also, Mrs Stefania Romanska (mother of Maria Leszczynska), who died on 20th July 2015. May they rest in the peace of Christ. As ever, our thoughts and prayers, as a parish, go out to the families.

Fr Deo is on holiday in Tanzania.

We wish him a happy and restful break. He returns on August 20th.

THE PILGRIM: Please take your free copy of the August edition.

(Please ignore the cover price.)

Gift Aid: Please note that numbered envelopes are unique to each user, and should not contain contributions from and numbers of other users. Please kindly try to avoid mixing first and second collections in one envelope, as these have to be both counted and recorded separately. Any queries about Gift Aid, please contact the organisers.

Spare Gift Aid Envelopes: You will notice some special envelopes in each of the porches. These may be used any time you forget your envelope, whether for the main collection or any other diocesan collection. Please just write your Gift Aid number on it, along with the name of any second collection if applicable. If you cannot recall your number, kindly add your name and address.

Church Cleaning This Week: Group 4: Agnes Campbell, Anna Howard, Sharon Leonidas, Juliet Mensah, Sophia Smith.

If you can help with this group or any other, please contact either of the clergy, or advise the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions: August is now completely full.
Please note that during August and the first week of September, the busiest part of the summer, there will be only one weekday Mass, at 10:00am. Kindly note that those of you requesting the Saturday Mass at 6:15pm will have a wait of at least 3 months. Please consider alternatives if you are unable to wait.

Readers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: The next rota, which runs from 9th/10th August until 12th/13th September 2015 has now been published. Please advise the parish office of any dates on which you will not be available up until 24th/25th October 2015 (the weekend prior to All Saints).

FIRST COMMUNION PHOTOGRAPHS:
All orders are now ready for collection, and may be found in a tray in the porch, on the window ledge. Many thanks to John Taylor for doing this for us.

ASSISTED SUICIDE: *On Friday 11th September, the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill which seeks to legalise assisted suicide. This will put the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Similar legislation already passed in some other European Union countries has been exposed as being open to extensive abuse. Please write to your MP, asking them to vote against this bill. Also, please continue to pray that this proposed legislation will be defeated, and that what little value society places on human life may not be denigrated any further, but instead strengthened.*

Lost Property – We have three folding umbrellas and a denim jacket (Name of ORLA written inside) in the middle drawer of the right hand cabinet in the porch. Please check and see if anything belongs to you.

A DAY WITH MARY: Saturday 22nd August 2015 at St Saviour's Church in Lewisham High Street. One of many days dedicated to Our Lady at various churches across the country. The day includes a procession, the Rosary, Mass, Exposition and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession. Please take a packed lunch. Please see the poster in the porch for full details.

COFFEE MORNINGS 2016: If you would like to run a coffee morning next year, please contact the Parish Office. Perhaps you have a favourite charity or project for which you would like to raise funds in this way. A schedule is being put together at present, and we hope that as many different groups, families and individuals will choose to take part in fundraising in this way. Some Coffee mornings are held after all three morning Masses on Sundays, and others just after the 10:00 and 11:30 Masses. It's up to you!

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk

Baptismal Certificates: We have a number of these, and other items, awaiting collection in the presbytery.

MAINTENANCE ISSUES: Given the number of buildings we have here, there is a constant need to both maintain and repair our premises, as part of a rolling programme, including work to prevent decay and more serious damage. Work continues on the hall, including the roof. Please take care when in the area around the hall. The front garden and paving is now receiving attention. Work will commence shortly on the outside of the church itself.

The late Father James Carolin M.A.

A former Parish Priest of St Bartholomew's:

Many parishioners will fondly remember Fr. Carolin. He is buried in Streatham Park Cemetery, Rowan Road, together with his mother Rosalie and his sister Audrey. Their grave is in a very poor condition. Father Deo has therefore decided that it should be renovated. This will cost approximately £4500.00. Work will commence shortly, with completion during the summer, and in good time for the annual blessing of graves in November, the month of the Holy Souls. Private contributions are invited from any parishioners, former parishioners and indeed any others who might be interested. We regret that contributions cannot be gift aided for this purpose.

If possible, please give by **cheque**, payable to:

"RICHARD BUSH – FR CAROLIN GRAVE A/C".

Please hand your cheque to one of the clergy or to the Parish Office, or just post it through the door of the Priests' house. If you are unable to pay by cheque, please contact the Parish Office for further details.

As at the time of writing, the total has reached **£745.00**. Thanks to all who have given thus far.

LOOP SYSTEM: Following recent repairs, the loop system is back in action and functioning well. Our apologies that we were without it for such a long time. Please let us know if you experience any difficulties using the loop system in the future.

BAPTISM COURSES: If you are planning the Baptism of your child, you will need to have attended a course within the last 3 years. Courses will recommence in the autumn, and details will be provided in the newsletter in due course.