

St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 9th August 2015

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year B)

Mass Times and Intentions

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6:15 (Saturday eve, 8th August)

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

Monday 10th August

St Lawrence,

Deacon and Martyr (Feast)

10:00 Antoine Shun RIP

Tuesday 11th August

St Clare, Virgin (Memorial)

10:00 Welfare of the

Okeke family

Wednesday 12th August

10:00 Holy Souls

Thursday 13th August

10:00 Tom Houlihan RIP

Friday 14th August

St Maximilian Mary Kolbe,

Priest and Martyr (Memorial)

10:00 Requiem Mass for

Ucilda St John RIP

Saturday 15th August

Our Lady

10:00 Amelia Yoo Foo RIP

Next Sunday 16th August,

The Assumption of the

Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

6:15 (Sat eve) Ellen and

Robert Ivan Foster RIP

8:30 Thanksgiving –

Chime family

10:00 Welfare of Marie &

Patrick Chamberlain

11:30 Carmelo Cordina RIP

4:00 Benediction

5:00 People of the parish

Daily Mass & Prayer:

*(NB: There will not be a 7:30am Mass until Monday 7th September 2015)

***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, 9th August – p 117

Next weekend: -

The Assumption of the BVM:

Vigil Mass, 15th August – P 178

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Thank You:

The collection for July 26th was

£2100.62: £1370.62 (baskets) &

£730.00 (standing orders)

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

He will also be doing this again Sunday, 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.

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 do speak to Fr Deo or Fr Paul. 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 Storace-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.**

Fr Deo is on holiday in Tanzania. We wish him a happy and restful break. He returns on August 20th.

THE PILGRIM: Please do take a 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 neither contain contributions from, nor bear the numbers of other users. Please avoid mixing 1st and 2nd collections in the same envelope, as each collection has to be counted and recorded separately. If you have lost your envelopes, please kindly refer to the item below this one. If you have any queries about Gift Aid, please contact the organisers through the parish office.

Spare Gift Aid Envelopes:

You will notice some special Gift Aid 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. Please note that all Gift Aid records are maintained confidentially.

Church Cleaning This Week: Group 5:

Elizabeth Ayoola, Kelly Bello, Sandra Hodgson,
Emma Morrone, Livia Pappano,
Amanda Squires, Maria Verrilli.

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.

The 6:15 Mass is now booked 3 months ahead.

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.

Readers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion: 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.

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. Please write to your MP, asking them to vote against this bill. 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.*

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

MAINTENANCE ISSUES: 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. The Maintenance Committee keeps an eye and arranges for all jobs to be carried out. Work continues on the hall, including the roof. Please take care when in the area around the hall. In addition, as you may have noticed, the front garden has been transformed, with the paving being next to receive attention. Work will commence shortly on the outside of the church itself.

Lost Property – We have 3 folding umbrellas in the middle drawer of the right hand cabinet in the porch. We still also have Johanna's umbrella in the parish office.

Foreign currency: Please do not put your foreign coins into the collection or the candle boxes, as they jam up our counting machine. Please hand them in, and the SVP will have them converted into Pounds Sterling for their funds.

The late Father James Carolin M.A.

A former Parish Priest of St Bartholomew's:

Those who remember Fr. Carolin will know that 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 is now underway, with completion due this summer, and well in 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 appeal, as this is fundamentally a private arrangement and therefore it does not have charitable status.

If possible, please write a **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 would prefer to pay by electronic means, please contact the Parish Office for further details in order to achieve this.

As at the time of writing, the total has reached **£1040.00**. Thanks to all who have given thus far.

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

Coloma Convent Girls' School, Croydon, St Mary's High School, Croydon and Ursuline College, Wimbledon all announce their Open Evenings for Entry in September 2016. Please see the various notice boards in the porch for details.

The Good Counsel Network invites you to take part in a National Day of Prayer & Fasting for Life. This is on **Friday 14th August 2015**. Prayer and fasting are constantly needed for the end of abortion and euthanasia. As St John Paul II reminded us, "A great prayer for Life is urgently needed." Please see the poster in the porch.

BLESSED OSCAR ROMERO: Saturday 15th August at 12:30, there will be a National Thanksgiving Mass at St. George's Cathedral, Southwark, to celebrate the life, martyrdom and beatification of Archbishop Oscar Romero, arranged by the Archbishop Romero Trust. The celebrant will be Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor. A celebratory drink will be provided afterwards in the Amigo Hall. Please see details on the poster in the porch.

A DAY WITH MARY: Saturday 22nd August 2015 at St Saviour's Church in Lewisham High Street. One of many Saturdays 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.