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Sunday 30th August 2015

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year B)

# Mass Times and Intentions Sunday 30th August

6:15 (Saturday eve, 29<sup>th</sup> August) Chris Ryan RIP 8:30 Stefania Romanska RIP 10:00 Mary Patmore RIP 11:30 Bridget & Joe McDonagh RIP and Anne & PJ Moran RIP

4:00 Benediction

5:00 People of the parish

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time:

Monday 31st August
10:00 Helen Ambler RIP
Tuesday 1st September
Annual Day of Global
Prayer for Creation
(Please see article overleaf)
10:00 Thanksgiving & Special
Intention (Muoghalu)
Wednesday 2nd September

10:00 Neil Cannon RIP

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

St Gregory the Great, Pope and

Doctor of the Church (Feast)

10:00 Mario Rodrigues RIP

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September

10:00 Cecilia McCarthy RIP

First Friday Adoration until 2:00pm

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Our Lady

10:00 Helen Maduka (ACE Studies)

Next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:15 (Sat eve) Tom Jones RIP & Family (Foundation Mass)
8:30 Ellis Foundation Mass
10:00 People of the Parish
11:30 Krystyna Andes
(1st Birthday)

#### 4:00 Benediction

5:00 Welfare of

Maureen O'Donoghue

Please note that 7:30am weekday Mass will be reinstated as from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

#### Daily Mass & Prayer:

\*(NB: There will *not* be a 7:30am Mass until Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 – p 126 Next Sunday – P 129

#### Thank You:

The collection for August 23<sup>rd</sup> was £1958.98: £1238.98 (baskets) & £720.00 (standing orders)

We welcome into the Church, through the Sacrament of Baptism, Princeton George Elokobi

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

**Father Deo** was unfortunately taken ill whilst on holiday, and is now due back this Friday, 4th September. We pray for his speedy recovery and for his safe return.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Would those of you who take Communion to housebound parishioners kindly confirm the names of those you visit to the Parish Office, so we can update the list. Thankyou.

Recently Deceased: Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Carmen Pauline Vella, of Strathbrook Road, who died suddenly on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2015. Our prayers and sympathy as a parish go out to her family

#### **ASSISTED DYING BILL:**

On Friday 11th September, which is just over two weeks away, the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill which seeks to legalise assisted suicide. This would put the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. If you have not already done so, please write urgently to your MP, asking them to vote against this bill. A suggested template letter is available in all the porches. Time is running out, as the debate approaches, to make our pro-life feelings known to our Members of Parliament, many of whom, we are told, really do take notice of the views of their constituents. Please do make your own voice heard!

**Mass Intentions:** A few weekday Masses now remain for September.

First Friday Exposition will take place this Friday after the 10:00am Mass, until 2:00pm. Do come along if you can, and spend some quiet time in prayer in front of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Coffee Morning: Next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September with Allison Furtado, raising money for the 2016 Coloma Convent School tour to South Africa, after all morning Masses.

Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> September is designated as Racial Justice Day.

A Second Collection will be taken to support the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society. Gift Aiders, please use a spare yellow envelope from the back of your box, or pick up an envelope from the porch, marking on it your number and "Racial Justice Day".

Please kindly use a separate

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#### **Church Cleaning This Week: Group 2:**

Barbara Baichu, Jackie Byrne, Mary Duah, Doris Fosua, Helen Igbedion, Mary Odusanya, Victoria Okonko. If you can help with this group or any other, please contact either of the clergy, or advise the Parish Office.

#### Sick and Housebound:

Jessica Anane, Mary Aroganampillai, Tony Bethune, Juliette Blake, Fr Andrew Fernandes, Liam Goddard, Elaine Gunther, Anne Harris, Felix Isichei, James McDonald, Breda McDonagh, Ajitha Mahatantila, Dominic Mascarenhas, 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 they would like one of the priests to visit them.

## The late Father James Carolin M.A. Former Parish Priest of St Bartholomew's:

Those who remember Fr. Carolin may know that he is buried in Streatham Park Cemetery, Rowan Road, together with his mother Rosalie and his sister Audrey. Due to the poor state of the grave, Father Deo has decided that it should be renovated. With an approximate cost of £4500.00, work is already underway, with completion expected to be in time for the annual blessing of graves in the cemetery 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 project, as it is fundamentally a private arrangement and therefore it does not attract charitable status. Please make your 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 contribute electronically, please contact the Parish Office for the necessary details. Thanks to all who have contributed so far. As at the time of writing, the total stands at: £1805.00

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

#### **Annual Day of Global Prayer for Creation:**

Pope Francis has established an annual day of global prayer for creation. It will be celebrated on **1**<sup>st</sup> **September.** 

In a letter to the heads of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of Christian Unity, Pope Francis said:

"The annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation will offer individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

The Day of Prayer is in unity with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople, who began a similar day of prayer for the Orthodox Church in 1989.

"The celebration of this Day, on the same date as the Orthodox Church, will be a valuable opportunity to bear witness to our growing communion with our Orthodox brothers and sisters." <a href="http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/News/Day-of-Prayer">http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/News/Day-of-Prayer</a>

THE DIVINE MERCY: Three Forthcoming events: Pilgrimage on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015; Pilgrimage on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2015; Retreat on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Please see posters in the porch for full details.

**Spare Gift Aid Envelopes:** You will find some special Gift Aid envelopes in each of the porches. These are intended for Gift Aid givers only, whenever you forget your envelope, whether for the main collection or any other diocesan collection. (They are not intended for other second collections from outside the archdiocese.) 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 kept confidentially.

**WALSINGHAM** – The Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady. The Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage takes place there on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September. There is also a fundraising campaign in progress. Please see posters in the porch.

**THE BUTTERFLY SERVICE:** This annual event for all those who have lost babies and young children takes place on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at the St Barnabas chapel at Croydon University Hospital. Please see the poster in the porch for full details.

Job Opportunities: Please see the notice board:
The Education Commission for the Southwark Diocese are seeking a Media & Communications Officer.
John Fisher School, in Purley, need an SEN Administrator.

#### FIRST COMMUNION PHOTOGRAPHS:

All orders are now ready for collection in the porch.

Foreign currency: Please do not put any foreign coins in the collection or the candle boxes. They seriously jam up our counting machine, and cause difficulties for those who count the money. However, the good news is that the SVP are happy to accept all your unwanted foreign notes and coins. Please put them in the special basket in the porch. This way, your spare holiday money can do some good. Also, if you have any obsolete and predecimal currency, whether British, pre-Euro or other, the SVP can still accept all of these. So, why not take a look around the house and see what you have tucked away in a drawer or perhaps down the back of your sofa?

NB: SVP Awareness Month has now begun.

MAINTENANCE: Work on the hall is almost complete. The front garden is being transformed, with the paving being next to receive attention. Work is now underway on the paintwork across all our buildings. Due to torrential rain, the Repository was flooded last week. Unfortunately there is a nasty aroma as a result, though this has improved over the last few days. Please bear with us whilst this is being dealt with. The Repository will remain open.

Readers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: The new rota will be published next week, and will cover the period 19<sup>th</sup> /20<sup>th</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

**COFFEE MORNINGS 2016:** If you would like to hold a coffee morning next year, please contact the Parish Office. Most Sundays are available, except during August. You can run one after all the morning Masses or just the 10:00 & 11:30. If you wish to raise funds for a charity, whether as an individual, a family or a parish group, we should be happy to hear from you.