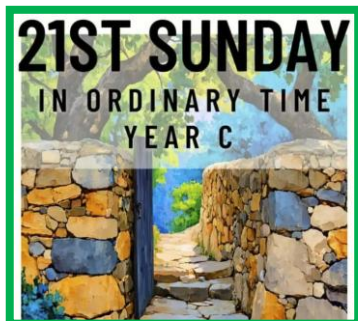




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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) 24TH AUGUST 2025

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm
Sunday 9.30 am
11.00 am
(Spanish Mass) 12.30 nn
6.30 pm
Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am
6.00 – 6.30 pm
Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm
(Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

Rosary

Every Wednesday after
10am Mass followed by Tea
in the Founders Room.

- Rosary also held on Sundays at
3pm in the Colonnade.

Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday after 6:30 pm mass
in the Prayer Room.

Holy Hour

1st Friday of every month after
10am Mass. The **Blessed
Sacrament** will be exposed for
Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy &
Benediction.

Safeguarding Office

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Saints Days

Mon 25th – St. Louis of France
Tue 26th – St. Joseph Calasanz
Wed 27th – St. Monica
Thu 28th – St. Augustine of Hippo
Fri 29th – Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist
Sat 30th – St. Jeanne Jugan



St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of
Healing is on **27th August 2025**
(Wednesday) at 6:30pm.

Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every
Monday after our 10am Mass.
Blessed Carlo, Pray for us.

Reflection

The Gospel of this 20th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C is taken from Luke 13:22-30. The question put to Jesus; "Will there be only a few saved?", was one often discussed in Judaism; answers varied from dark pessimism to easy optimism. To this question Jesus answers: the door of the Kingdom opens only from inside, by God, once the door is opened, human being has to struggle in order to enter, and not just like walking in the park, for the entrance is narrow; if a person fails to enter, it is because they won't accept the only terms on which entrance is possible. Here Jesus adds an important precision to what precedes: the door of the Kingdom doesn't stand open indefinitely; a time will come when it will be shut. The expression "I don't know where you come from" means "I don't acknowledge you". All that the late-comers can claim is a superficial contact with Jesus; they say "you are one of us", but He answers, "you are none of mine". A striking fortune of this parable is that those excluded are the "evil-doers" not the Gentiles as such. Thus, Jesus has de-nationalized the issue. Entrance is affected by the moral striving of repentance and acceptance of God's will.

Just as the master of a house closes the door of his house and prevents strangers from entering, so also will Christ close the door the heavenly feast at the end of time to all evil-doers, not acknowledge them, even though they have known Him during His earthly life.



Canonisation of Bl. Carlo Acutis – will be on 7th September 2025.

1. **150th Anniversary Programs** – Souvenir items for 150th Anniversary of our Parish are on sale at the colonnade. You may still post at our 150 Acts of Kindness. The **Pipe Organ Concert** will be on 6th September 2025 (Saturday) at 7:30 pm with a ticket of £5 only to help fund our celebration.
2. **Thanksgiving Mass** – for the Canonisation of St. Carlo Acutis will be celebrated on 13th September 2025 (Saturday) at 3:00 pm with His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols.
3. **Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Dolours / 150th Anniversary Mass** – Everyone is invited to join in our International Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Dolours on 14th September 2025 at 11:00 am which is the celebration of the parish 150th Anniversary. Wear your traditional attire and share a dish from your country as we rejoice in our diversity.
4. **The Feast day of St. Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila** – will be celebrated on 28th September (Sunday) at 3pm. The Novena will be from 19th Sept. to 27th Sept. every evening at 7:00 pm except on 19th Sept. in which the mass starts at 6:30 pm.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025

*Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to You:
Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in You.*

1. Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people find a light within Your Word.
Scattered fragile sons and daughters find a home in Your dear Son.
2. Dio ci guarda, tenero e paziente: nasce l'alba di un futuro nuovo.
Nuovi Cieli Terra fatta nuova: passa i muri Spirito di vita.
3. Ang Diyos ay ating nadarama, kahit di natin nakikita.
Naging tao para sa buong mundo, susunod ako sa'n man sa'ya patungo.



FIRST READING

**A reading from the book of
Isaiah**

66:18-21

Thus says the Lord: 'For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands far away, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the Lord, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem,' says the Lord, 'just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the Lord. And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites,' says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1. 2. R Mark 16:15

R. Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations; acclaim him, all you peoples! **R.**

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2. For his mercy has prevailed over us; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever. **R.**

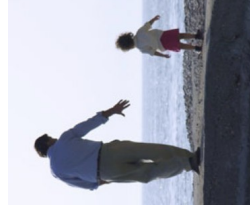
SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Brothers and Sisters: Have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? 'My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.' It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed.



The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

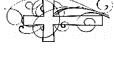
Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Alleluia.

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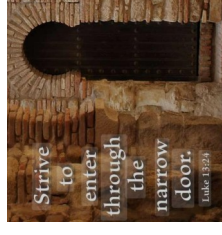


GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 13:22-30

All: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

At that time: Jesus went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying towards Jerusalem. And someone said to him, 'Lord, will those who are saved be few?' And he said to them, 'Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, "Lord, open to us", then he will answer you, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will begin to say, "We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets." But he will say, "I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!" In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.'



The Gospel of the Lord.

All: *Praise to you,*

Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED—See Laudate 479 (205)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*All bow for following three lines*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.