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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY

SATURDAY	19TH	18:00	Sixteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Chas Holohan RIP
SUNDAY	20TH	08:30	Sixteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Tajudeen Fashola RIP
SUNDAY	20TH	10:00	Sixteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Elizabeth & Satya Savitzky RIP
SUNDAY	20TH	12:00	Sixteenth Sunday	Solemnity	David Tiehi
SUNDAY	20TH	18:00	Sixteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Pro Populo
MONDAY	21ST	10:00	St Lawrence of Brindisi	Memorial	
TUESDAY	22ND	10:00	St Mary Magdalene	Feast	
WEDNESDAY	23RD	10:00	St Bridget	Feast	
THURSDAY	24TH	10:00		Memorial	
FRIDAY	25TH	10:00	St James the Apostle	Feast	Rev Henry Van Doorne RIP
FRIDAY	25TH	12:00	<u>Funeral Mass</u>		TL Victor N Williams
SATURDAY	26TH	10:00	Saints Joachim & Anne	Memorial	

TEA AND COFFEE: SUNDAY AFTER 10AM MASS

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY EVENINGS: 5PM - 5:40PM



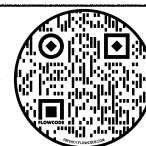
We pray for Malik, Stephen Harvey, Victor Williams, Philipa Beech, Martin Curry, Margaret Harling, Joy Eggleton & Joyce Hall who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Charles Nelson, Lawrence Brady, Anne Connolly, Teresa King, Virginia Mitchell and John Anthony Whelan. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls (and the souls of all the faithful departed) through the mercy of God rest in peace.

This is the last time I will write this column until September when there will be a new priest in the house, some new teachers and pupils in our schools, new parishioners to welcome and the rhythm of life turned up a notch. Changed circumstances require adaptation and a willingness to embrace the unfamiliar. Since we are creatures of habit this isn't always the easiest of tasks, however, embracing the unfamiliar is what is required of us and it punctuates the lives of the saints. For you who are parents the unfamiliar is a daily reality as you seek to understand and love your children who are both a joy and also a mystery whose needs you do your best to work out and meet. In order to respond in the best way to changed circumstances - as a single, married, separated or celibate person - we all need time to reflect. At this stage in the year, therefore, the holiday period provides an opportunity to do this as the rhythm of life changes and there is more of an opportunity to embrace stillness. For the past week Pope Leo XIV has been in Castel Gandolfo - the Pope's Summer residence outside Rome - where he said he went "for a short period of rest" and continued "I hope everyone can have some vacation time to restore the body and spirit". Rest is an imitation of the nature of God who appeared - we remember - not as thunder and lightning but in the cool breeze. Choosing to rest - to pause from activity - is necessary and good as we remember the words of Jesus to Mary (as Martha complained) that she had chosen the better part when she was still before the Lord. Let us ask Jesus in these days in which we may find ourselves with more opportunity to be still to make sure that we choose to be still with Him; to include Him in our rest and ask Him to make us ready (by His grace) to embrace whatever is unfamiliar and awaits us on the other side of the holiday period.

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PARISH NEWS

WELCOME FATHER GODFREY! I am pleased to announce that from September we will be welcoming - as our new assistant priest - Father Godfrey Ogwang. Father Godfrey is a priest of the Diocese of Lira in Uganda. Please pray for him as he prepares to move to the UK to help us here.

PRAY FOR FR STEPHEN TRAFFORD: At the time of writing I'm preparing - after Mass up at the prison tomorrow - to attend the priestly ordination of Fr Stephen Trafford at St George's Cathedral. Stephen is of our Archdiocese and will learn tomorrow where he will begin to serve as an assistant priest. Please keep Father Stephen in your prayers this weekend and let us also pray for our young people - that we may have others (like Dan Howarth) who hear the Lord's call and respond generously.

THANK YOU: to everyone who contributed towards and attended the farewell gatherings for Fr Mebrate last Sunday. It was a truly special occasion and good to express our thanks to him in person together. Thank you also for your kindness in donating towards Fr Mebrate's leaving collection. It is still possible to give if you didn't have the opportunity and you can do so either using the envelopes in the porch or by clicking [here](#) and selecting "Fr Mebrate's Collection". He is with us until September.

FILMING IN CHURCH: A reminder that - if you do not want you or your child to appear in our promotional video - please [email us](#) to let us know.

SEA SUNDAY COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY: This Sunday we remember in a particular way all who work at sea and their families at home. We support the charity Stella Maris who cares for them.

THANK YOU to all who have donated to sponsor a child to attend the weeks away. I am very grateful to you and will report on the events once they are over. Please pray for us as we get ready to go!

SUMMER OFFICE CLOSURE: The office is now closed until Wednesday 3rd September. You can continue to put Mass intention envelopes through the door and we will endeavour to book them.

CHRISTOPHER WEST EVENING AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL: On Thursday 11th September there will be an evening of prayer in front of the Eucharist led by the renowned Catholic speaker Christopher West with music by Mike Mangione. Tickets will sell fast and you can get them [here](#).

SPONSOR A SHRUB: Back in March I consulted re plans for our garden and you'll notice that we've now removed the shrubbery around the entrance. A kind landscape-gardener-parishioner is preparing a list of shrubs you will be able to sponsor that are lower lying so as to allow the light to come into our porch area and not encroach on the pathway. Shrubs will also be listed for our front garden of a similar nature at the base of the East wall of the Church and (once cleared) at the back of the Hall toilets.

SINGING AT THE 12PM MASS: We are looking to enhance our 12pm liturgy from September when our organist will be more available and we have someone to lead the singing. We already have a good small troupe of singers. You may have a gift for singing and - if so - do not hide it under a bushel but share it with the parish! If you could join our 12pm Schola please [email us](#) so we can include you.