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SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST 2020

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT. VIGIL	1st	18:00	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity	Sr Elizabeth Rogers RIP
SUNDAY	2nd	10:00	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity	Ali and Bella Sanders
		12:00	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity	Pro Populo
MONDAY	3rd	09:00	NO MASS	
TUESDAY	4th	09:00	St John Mary Vianney	Matthew Hester
WEDNESDAY	5th	09:00	Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major	Sr Marguerite Didillon
THURSDAY	6th	09:00	The Transfiguration of the Lord Feast	Welfare of Daniel Gulliford
FRIDAY	7th	09:00	St Sixtus II (Pope) and companions	Joe and Anne Parsons RIP
SATURDAY	8th	09:00	St Dominic	Rashalia Pather RIP
SAT. VIGIL	8th	18:00	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity	[free]

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 17:00 - 17:45 [HALL]

CHURCH OPEN: WEDS: 4-6, FRI: 2-4, SAT: 10-2.



We pray especially for Teresa Chanje (Olga Chanje-Slater's mother), Ronald Bellamy and Winston Delgado who died recently. We pray for Michael Delaney, Ibiroke Abeni Adelaja, Mary Vjaksa, Michael Nawara, John Ryan, Boniface Emenyeonu-Afoko, Rosemarie O'Reilly, Peter Jenkinson, Darren Neck, Claude Laurent, Norah Marsh, William Heneghan and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. As people begin their travels within the UK or abroad we pray for those working on our railways, roads and runways. May those preparing paths for others be kept safe and may all who are travelling in the coming days arrive safely and enjoy rest.

Celebrating funerals over the period of lockdown has been difficult; seeing so many good people have to say goodbye to loved ones speedily interred without friends and family next to them. As a celebrant you see great need and feel Jesus saying "give them something to eat yourself" (as in today's Gospel) but then feel powerless (just as the disciples did). How can I satisfy this hunger? The lesson of today's Gospel is that it is the disciples *faith* that helps the crowds; they went to Jesus. When we believe in His power to help us help others we can demonstrate hope to those who find exercising that virtue difficult at times: God works *through* each of us when we let him! In the funeral I celebrated today I was profoundly moved by the Eulogy given by a close relative of the deceased: in it she said she knew that the one she was speaking about always "did his best" in life. Our human condition is one in which we often doubt that we'll be able to do what God wants (just like the disciples looking at the crowds in today's Gospel) and we become overwhelmed by what we can't do. We need to know that we only have to "do our best" (symbolised by five loaves and two fish), let Him do the rest and trust that great things will happen! We only need to trust and have faith! **Fr Matthew**

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Next Sunday's Readings: 19th Sunday in OT

First: 1 Kings 19:9,11-13
Psalm: 84(85):9-14
Second: Romans 9:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33



PARISH NEWS

FATHER DERMOTT TO GIVE HIS FIRST BLESSINGS! It's with great joy that I announce that Father Dermott (big bro' ordained last weekend) will be saying all Sunday Masses for us this weekend after which he will offer the opportunity to receive his first blessing. There are still some places left so go ahead and book via our homepage. You will have other opportunities to receive his first blessing so don't worry if you miss out this weekend. He will be coming to celebrate Mass in the parish during August and September. Thanks for all your kind cards and gifts to him. It was a very special ordination and although strange with the limitations it was truly joyous as was his first Mass at St Elphege's Wallington last Monday. Photos of the ordination can be seen **HERE** and of the first mass celebrated at St Elphege's Catholic Church, Wallington, **HERE**.

FOOD HUB DONATIONS: I've had enquiries about our resuming the food hub donations at the Church. Due to the current restrictions the Food Hub is still not operating as normal and in view of so many shielding still it is recommended to give donations at the supermarkets; Tesco's on Acre Lane or Sainsbury's on Water Lane have food hub drop-off locations where it is possible to give items and you can still support the food hub financially online **HERE**:

FACE COVERINGS: At the time of writing we lack direction from the Archdiocese, however, it is being reported that it will be illegal to not wear a face covering in Church from next Saturday 8th.

BAPTISMS / WEDDINGS: The Archbishop has now issued guidance for infant baptism and weddings making it possible to celebrate these sacraments publicly. The maximum number who can attend these ceremonies according to HM Government is 30; please **email us** to arrange.

BOOKING FOR SUNDAY MASS! For the foreseeable future our Sunday Mass schedule will be 6pm Saturday, 10am and 12pm Sunday. <u>Bookings open each Wednesday</u> and you can book your place via our homepage: <u>www.catholicbrixtonhill.org.uk</u>. Please spread the word and come along! There are a limited number of places available due to social distancing requirements. Please note:

- If you are unsuccessful in your application please do not come as you will not be admitted.
- that the obligation to attend *Sunday* Mass is still suspended and I warmly encourage those who are free during the week to attend our 9am weekday Mass instead.

MORE MASSES IN THE AUTUMN: The number of Masses we can offer is dependent upon the number of Stewards we have available to assist with access and maintaining social distancing. Whereas we will keep to the current schedule for the month of August I would ask you to please consider if you can be a Steward for Masses we would like to re-instate from September onwards; specifically, an 08:30 and 18:00 on Sunday.

If you are <u>willing to be a Steward</u> for one of our Sunday Masses please fill in the form <u>here</u>.

MIDWEEK HOLY HOUR: Our Church will open at 8am from Tuesday to Friday each week during which time the blessed sacrament will be exposed on the altar for adoration. All are welcome to come and pray in the quiet of the Church in front of the Lord during this time.

WEEKDAY MASS: Mass will be celebrated Tuesday - Saturday at 9am (no need to register)!

MASS BY TELEPHONE! The telephone number which the housebound can call to hear LIVE Sunday Mass on the telephone (details here) is: 01642130120.