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SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST 2020

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SAT. VIGIL	15th	18:00	The Assumption of the BVM	Solemnity	Francois & Georgette Rouiller RIP
SUNDAY	16th	10:00	The Assumption of the BVM	Solemnity	Pro Populo
		12:00	The Assumption of the BVM	Solemnity	Yolande Chapman RIP
MONDAY	17th	<u>09:00</u>	NO MASS		
TUESDAY	18th	09:00	Feria		Sr Maria Francesca Cavallo RIP
WEDNESDAY	19th	09:00	St John Eudes	Memorial	Chas Holohan RIP
THURSDAY	20th	09:00	St Bernard (Abbot)	Memorial	Sr Muriel Geisler RIP
FRIDAY	21st	09:00	St Pius X	Memorial	Wai-Ching So RIP
SATURDAY	22nd	09:00	Our Lady, Mother and Queen	Memorial	Angela Falle
SAT. VIGIL	23rd	18:00	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Solemnity	Francois and Georgette Rouiller RIP

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

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



We pray especially for Agatha Samuels, Sana and Crusoe Armstrong and Teresa Chanje (Olga Chanje-Slater's mother) who died recently. We pray for Helen Hannigan, Joseph Akpan, Carlton Pink, Elizabeth O'Shea, Charles Spencer, Nora Dowdall, Thomas Gorham, Lyn (Lilian) Conway, Elizabeth Da Silva, Lourenco Brown 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 restrictions are lifted and the furlough scheme is reduced we pray for all of those who are vulnerable but experience economic hardship and have no choice but to put themselves at risk. May the Lord Jesus help assuage their anxiety and provide for them and their families.

"God welcomes into his eternity what is developing and becoming now, in our life made up of suffering and love, of hope, joy and sorrow. The whole of man, the whole of his life, is taken by God and, purified in him, receives eternity. Dear friends, I think this is a truth that should fill us with deep joy. Christianity does not proclaim merely some salvation of the soul in a vague afterlife in which all that is precious and dear to us in this world would be eliminated, but promises eternal life, "the life of the world to come". Nothing that is precious and dear to us will fall into ruin; rather, it will find fullness in God. Every hair of our head is counted, Jesus said one day (cf. Mt 10: 30). The definitive world will also be the fulfilment of this earth, as St Paul says: "Creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God" (Rom 8: 21). Then we understand that Christianity imparts a strong hope in a bright future and paves the way to the realisation of this future. We are called, precisely as Christians, to build this new world, to work so that, one day, it may become the "world of God", a world that will surpass all that we ourselves have been able to build. In Mary taken up into Heaven, who fully shares in the Resurrection of the Son, we contemplate the fulfilment of the human creature in accordance with "God's world". **Pope Benedict XVI**, sermon on The Assumption.

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PARISH NEWS

OFFICE CLOSURE: From Monday week Fr Matthew will be away and Fr Gerard and Fr Dermott will be around. For this period one Newsletter will be produced with the Mass intentions. **If you want a Mass said between 31st August and the 20th September** please submit an envelope this week!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION LITURGIES 2020: The Archdiocese provided clarification for larger parishes (like our own) at the end of July about how sacraments should be celebrated. Since then I have met with the coordinators of our programmes to plan how we can arrange them in the best way possible. The Bishops of England and Wales have declared that First Holy Communion and Confirmation liturgies qualify as "life-cycle ceremonies" which (as with Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings) are currently limited to 30 people only and, as we are preparing 70 candidates for First Holy Communion and 30 for Confirmation, this creates a particular challenge for us. We have been planning and will inform parents and carers of our plans once candidates have settled back into the new term in September. As certain restrictions continue to be relaxed we may face different circumstances in the weeks ahead and (if so) we will review our plans to ensure the liturgies are as worthy and welcoming as they can be.

RCIA 2020: Final plans for catechumens and candidates who were due to be baptised and received into full communion last Easter will be settled this coming week and you will be informed about the schedule of instruction and the date for receiving the sacraments of initiation shortly.

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS (2021 ENTRY): For all parents wishing to apply for a place for their child in a Catholic primary or secondary school (2021 entry) the information and resources you need are now available from our website: please visit <u>WWW.CATHOLICBRIXTONHILL.ORG.UK/SCHOOL-APPLICATIONS</u>

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME: It is now possible for us to take Holy Communion to people in their homes adhering to hygiene protocols. If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound who would like to receive communion or be visited by a priest for Confession please do get in touch with us at the parish office. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help!

FACE COVERINGS: A reminder that it is now the law that those within a place of worship should be wearing a face covering. Please be aware that there are those within our congregation who are exempt due to different health conditions and so not wearing a mask isn't always evidence of non-compliance. It is for everyone's good that face coverings are worn but those within the Church (priests and stewards) - just like shopkeepers - are asked to act as educators, not enforcers. Readers are asked to remove their mask for reading at the Ambo and all are asked to do so when receiving communion. The priest being a sufficient distance from the congregation on the sanctuary will only use a mask for distributing communion.

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.