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SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2021

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	18TH	10:00	The Blessed Virgin Mary	Memorial	Marie-Therese Cunningham
SATURDAY	18TH	18:00	Twenty-Fifth Sunday	Solemnity	
SUNDAY	19TH	08:30	Twenty-Fifth Sunday	Solemnity	
	19TH	10:00	Twenty-Fifth Sunday	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
	19TH	12:00	Twenty-Fifth Sunday	Solemnity	Koudou Prielle & family
MONDAY	20TH	10:00	St Andrew Kim Taegon	Memorial	Sr Francoise Cordonnier RIP
TUESDAY	21ST	10:00	St Matthew	Feast	
WEDNESDAY	22ND	10.00	Feria		Bailey & Ryan Families
THURSDAY	23RD	10.00	St Pius of Pietrelcina	Memorial	Recovery of Sameer Polus
FRIDAY	24TH	10:00	Our Lady of Walsingham	Memorial	
SATURDAY	25TH	10:00	The Blessed Virgin Mary	Memorial	

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY: 5PM - 5:40PM [HALL]

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS



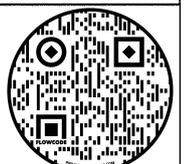
We pray for all who have died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. We pray for the success of our Parish Party this weekend: as we gather to celebrate the contributions of our Parish Councillors and Stewards to the re-opening of our Church post-lockdown. Thank you to all who have helped in any way to ensure that our Church remained open. It has been wonderful to be able to gather again to encounter the Lord and we now encounter one another. Cheers! :-)

If you ever get the chance to go to Rome - and I do hope that we'll be able to organise a parish pilgrimage there in the not too distant future - the chapel of St Matthew in the Church of San Luigi is a place you must visit. Sadly - due to the high number of tourists - it is rare to get a moment in which you can meditate prayerfully upon the three masterpieces which adorn the walls and surround the altar. You can, however, at least see them and - in particular - the image of the Gospel scene St Matthew himself will describe to us in the excerpt from his Gospel we will hear at this Tuesday's Mass: his conversion. In looking upon the picture it isn't immediately obvious who Jesus is calling: who is he pointing to? Is it the person who points to himself in surprise and looks back in shock that he should be chosen? Or is it the sorry figure slumped over the table and counting the money who cannot lift his head to meet Jesus' loving gaze? I think the ambiguity is helpful for it reminds us that - whether we are looking at Jesus or away from Him - He never stops seeking us and He always longs for us to come to Him, to repent and to be saved. Thank God this is a choice St Matthew eventually made in his life and he is now in heaven because of it. He can pray for us there: St Matthew, pray for us!

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PARISH NEWS

WELCOME BACK to all of you who have returned from your Summer holidays and begun the new school term! A special welcome to all of you who have returned to us for the first time since lockdown.

PARISH PARTY: Thank you in advance to all who will contribute towards our parish party which - at the time of writing - is still to take place (Saturday 18th September after the 6pm Mass). To those who will bring food and drink and will arrange tables, chairs and also clean up afterwards I am very grateful. I look forward to seeing you all socially for the first time in ages! :-)

PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING [AGM]: Our Parish AGM will take place on **Saturday 16th October 2021 at 7pm** in the Church Hall. All are warmly invited to attend at which we will thank our outgoing Parish Councillors and introduce new members of the Parish Council. Fr Victor Darlington - Parish Priest of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Camberwell and Chair of the Archdiocesan Commission for Promoting Racial Justice - will speak on the subject of Racial Justice.

SCHOOL APPLICATION FORMS [FOR SEPTEMBER 2022 ENTRY]: I have revised our system regarding school forms to avoid the use of paper. All parents applying to Catholic schools on behalf of their children must fill in [this form](#) from our website. It contains all the information you need!

COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND: Are you - or is someone you know - housebound? If the answer is "yes" we can arrange for you / them to receive Holy Communion at home. Please get in touch with us at the Parish Office.

SENIORS' EXERCISE GROUP: resumes this Monday at 10:30am in the Hall (with refreshments).

THE BIBLE TIMELINE ONLINE COURSE: Are you interested in improving your knowledge of Scripture? There is a very good 8 week course beginning at the end of this month which is live-streamed on YouTube and free of charge. The sessions are streamed on Wednesday evenings and will begin on **Wednesday 29th September at 7pm**. To register on the course please visit www.comeandsee.org.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: This year's Family Fast Day is directing resources towards those living within communities who have been drastically affected by severe changes to their climate. You can find more information about the appeal by following [this link](#). Friday is the traditional day on which we fast within Catholic tradition and the Fast Day encourages us to donate the money we save in doing to a good cause. This Autumn's Family Fast Day will be on Friday 1st October and we will have a collection for the CAFOD appeal after all Masses on the following Sunday.

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE - BALHAM - SEEKS A NEW GOVERNOR: This is a voluntary but demanding, interesting and professional role for a practising Roman Catholic who has the time to prepare for, attend and participate in at least six evening meetings each year (full Board and minimum one sub-committee). The governors are particularly, but not exclusively, seeking volunteers with current experience / expertise in HR or accountancy / audit. If you are interested please contact Eleanor Lewis, Clerk to the Governors (020 8772 6062 – e.lewis@sfx.ac.uk).