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The parish office should be your first port of call for any enquiries, including appointments, and arrangements for all sacraments (e.g. baptisms, weddings, funerals). Please email Karin Rattray, the Parish Secretary, at [kingston@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:kingston@rcaos.org.uk) or call on 020 8546 4633. The office is open from 10am to 3pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (closed Wednesdays). Could you please limit telephone calls outside these hours to emergencies only.

**FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES**

**SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am For the safety of the People of  
Afghanistan & Transfer of Leadership

6.30pm Wellbeing of Rev Fr Anthony Oleh  
Viola O'Connor RIP

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Home Mission Sunday**

9am Frank & Rose Kelly RIP

10.30am Wellbeing of Rev Fr Anthony Oleh

6.30pm Seamus Dooley RIP

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Priest, Paul  
Chõng Ha-sang, & Companions,  
Martyrs, Memorial**

9.30am Intentions for Keith Fraser – Birthday

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, Feast**

9.30am Holy Souls

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9.30am Wellbeing of Rev Fr Anthony Oleh

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> St Pio of Pietrelcina, Memorial**

9.30am Carl Booth RIP

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Walsingham, Memorial**

9.30am Health & Wellbeing of family in  
Philippines & for Sister's Studies

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Holy Souls

6.30pm People of the Parish

**Morning Prayer:** Monday to Saturday 09:00 AM

**Mass Times:** Saturday: 09:30, 18:30

Sunday: 09:00, 10:30, 18:30

Baptisms: By previous arrangement – Sunday at 12pm.

Marriages: Six months' notice required – Diocesan rule.

**HOME MISSION SUNDAY**

This collection provides the Bishops of England and Wales with resources to support 'Home Mission', the spread of the Gospel in our own country. The money collected enables a breadth of work to be done in support of parish evangelisation. Please use your gift aid envelopes or the small white envelopes marked 'Home Mission Sunday' in the church porch.

**SCHOOL APPLICATION FORMS**

The time of year has come when many parents are thinking about places in a Catholic School. Regular Mass attendance is a requirement for a reference to be completed. If you have recently moved to the area, you should seek a priest reference from your previous parish which we will then countersign.

A priest will be available to sign secondary school application forms on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 201 between 2-4pm. No appointment is necessary**, please call at the Presbytery.

Please ensure that you complete as much of the forms as possible and if you have any reference letters, please also bring these along with you. Please bring all relating documents with you at this time, especially Baptism Certificates.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Thank you to all parents/carers for returning the FHC application forms; registration for this year's programme is now CLOSED.

If you still need to collect the FHC programme books and Mass attendance card, which started in September, please contact the Parish Secretary ASAP, during office hours.



❖ The parents' meeting for year 4 children and those that registered last year is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30pm.

❖ The parents' meeting for year 3 children and those that registered this year is on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm.

**CONFIRMATION 2021/22**



Apologies, the programme and schedule details are not yet available. Full details will be provided via email as soon as we know more.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS AND BAPTISMS**

For those who wish to have their child baptised, please register for our next available class, on Sunday 31st October 2021, by completing and returning the baptism application form, available on our website, to the parish office.

Parents need to attend a Baptism preparation class before a child's baptism. Please note there is currently a 2/3 month waiting list for baptisms, whilst we catch up with those that were cancelled this past year, so the earlier you contact the parish office the better!



## PRAY THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays each week at 10 am after Mass. Please stay after Mass for 10/15 mins to pray with fellow parishioners.



## THE ROSARY



We will pray the Rosary in the church every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning after Mass. Everyone is welcome to join in.

## PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting of the Men's Group will be on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021** at the Wych Elm from 8.00pm. Everyone is welcome.



## ANNUAL CATHEDRAL MARRIAGE MASS

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Are you celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later wedding anniversary this year or last year? If so, Archbishop John invites you to join him in celebrating a Mass for married couples at 3pm on Saturday 9th October at St George's Cathedral. For more details, please email [emailmflsw@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:emailmflsw@rcaos.org.uk)

## MARRIAGES IN 2021/2022

2021 or 2022 may be the year that you plan to get married; many *Congratulations* if that is so.



**Please remember that there is a lot of preparation that needs to take place and you are required to inform the church at least six months before.**

If you plan to celebrate your wedding at another church all preparation for our parishioners must take place here at St. Agatha's. Please contact the Parish Office and we will happily guide you.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Please, if you have a particular date or time on which you want a Mass said, **it is very important that you let the parish office know ahead of time and as soon as possible.** You are very welcome to book your Mass intentions in advance. We cannot guarantee a requested date when submitting late Mass Intentions; if no date is specified or a date requested is not available, the Mass Intention will be assigned to the next open date.

Mass intentions envelopes are available at the back of the church. When requesting a Mass, please clearly indicate the intention and whether the Mass is for the deceased, the sick or for another intention. If you require confirmation of a Mass date and time, please ensure you provide your contact details.

## UPCOMING COURSES FROM THE AGENCY FOR EVANGELISATION AND CATECHESIS:

### Autumn Catechists Meeting

Are you a parish catechist? Or interested in catechesis? Join the Dr Mark Nash and the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis (AEC) as we explore the new *Directory for Catechesis* which was published earlier this year. On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7:30pm on Zoom we will look at the new Directory and what it has to say to us about our parish catechetical ministry. Register for the zoom link here; <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/catechesis-events>

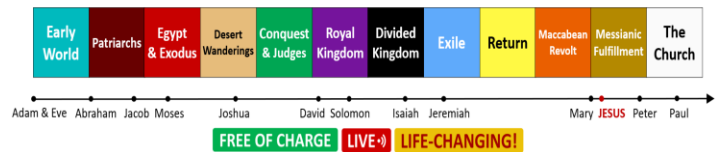
### Evangelium Online

The Evangelium Online Course from the AEC is a full refresher and overview of the Catholic faith led by Fr Marcus Holden (co-author of Evangelium). Each session is 'live' with opportunities for discussion and questions. There are optional follow-up activities and further reading links provided and a certificate of completion is given by the Agency. To register for this FREE course, beginning 26<sup>th</sup> September please visit:

<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/latest/evangeliumonlinecourse21-22>

### Bible Timeline Course with Mauro Iannicelli

#### The Bible Timeline Course



Understand the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this FREE OF CHARGE, worldwide-famous course delivered online LIVE by Mauro Iannicelli. Starts Wed 29th September 2021. Eight Wednesday sessions (7pm-8:40pm). Info & Registration: [www.comeandsee.org](http://www.comeandsee.org)

### Archbishop's Certificate

Do you wish to learn more about the Faith that you profess each week at Mass, and share it confidently with those you love? If so, please consider registering for the new Archbishop's Certificate today. More information on this two-year blended learning course (which starts on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021) can be found on the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis website:

<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>

### Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is an internationally recognised course which looks to provide teachers and others with the tools to effectively understand the Catholic Faith. If you would like to participate in this eight-module course (either as a full student or simply attending the course without completing the assignments) please find out more or register via:

<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs>

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B  
Sunday, September 19, 2021

**Gospel Reading**

*Mark 9:30-37 Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.*

**Gospel Reflection**

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behaviour. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

*The UN International Day of Peace  
is observed on 21<sup>st</sup> September*

'But peace does not consist merely in a hard, inflexible justice. It must be made acceptable and easy by being compounded almost equally of charity and a sincere desire for reconciliation.'

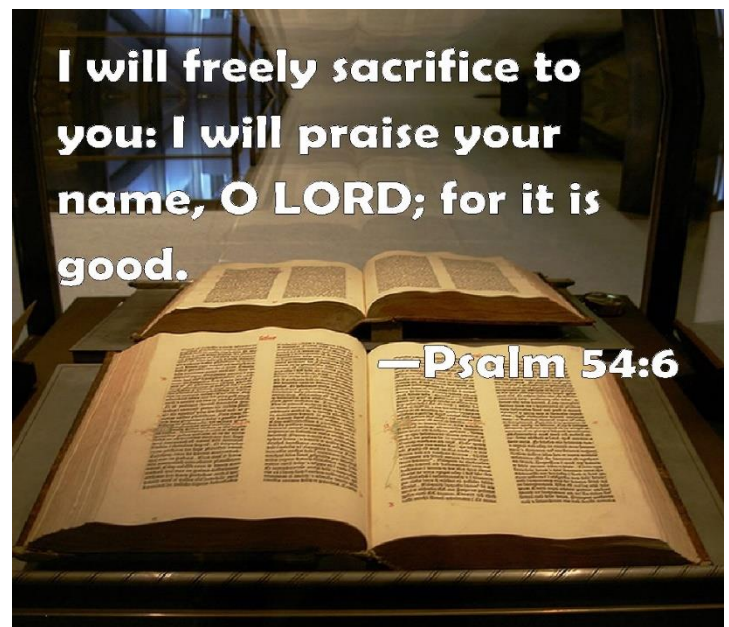
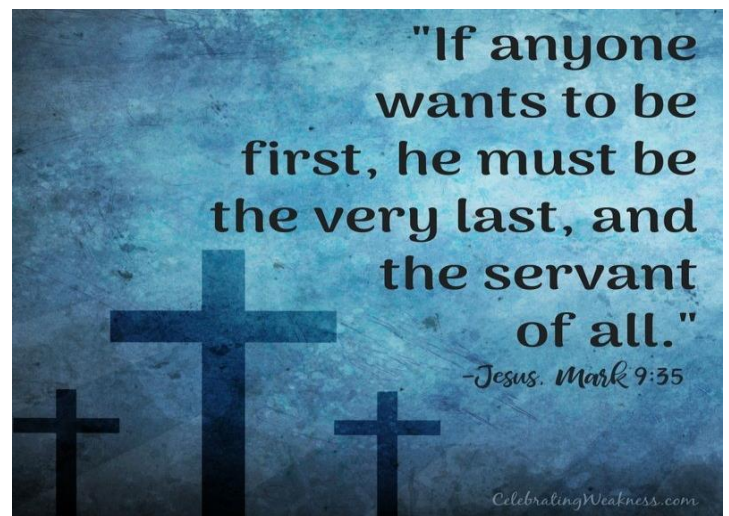
~ Pope Pius XI, *Ubi Arcano Dei Consilio*

**Family Reflection**

Conversations such as the one described in today's Gospel are common in family life. Perhaps these examples are familiar: "I should get the first piece of cake because I am the youngest;" "I did the dishes yesterday; someone else should do them today." How might we respond if Jesus asked about our family arguments? What would Jesus say to us in reply? All of us need the reminder found in today's Gospel: To be great in God's Kingdom is to be the servant of all.

As you gather as a family, recall a recent family argument about household chores or an example of bickering among family members. Talk about what was at issue in the argument. Together imagine that Jesus entered the room just as the argument ended. What would you tell Jesus your argument was about? What might Jesus say in reply? Read together today's Gospel, Mark 9:30-37. How was your family argument like the argument among Jesus' disciples? What might your family do to remember that those who are great in God's kingdom are those who willingly serve others? Pray together that your family life will reflect your commitment to serve one another with love. Pray Saint Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press





### UN Climate Talks - COP 26

Britain will be hosting the above UN sponsored conference in Glasgow, Scotland, this November. Following the disappointment of the G7 Meeting in Cornwall earlier in the year, CAFOD and other concerned parties, are urging the UK Government to put the poorest communities at the heart of the decisions taken. This would see both global poverty and climate change being addressed. We are reminded, that as citizens of the host nation we have a vital role to play. CAFOD hope that we are able to support their on-line petition to the Prime Minister to show global leadership to tackle poverty, inequality and climate change.

If you are so minded, please find details of the petition at: [www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim](http://www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim)

### Cafod Responding To Multiple Emergencies Across The World

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. They are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, they are working to ensure the safety of their local partners and their communities. CAFOD are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news> Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable CAFOD to continue to support communities in these difficult times.

**CAFOD thank you for your continued support.**

### London SW Catholic Social Group

London SW Catholic Social Group is a group for Catholic adults to meet for regular social and networking events in a friendly and relaxed setting with the aim of making new friends, enjoy new experiences or just to socialise. Upcoming events include walks, a karaoke evening and a Christmas meal; their monthly socials will restart in October. Find them on Facebook – ‘London SW Catholic Social Group’ or email: [londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com](mailto:londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com)

### A Day with Mary

There will be a Day with Mary on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at Our Lady and St Peter, SW19, starting at 9.30am.

A Day with Mary is an open day of prayer held in a Catholic Church or shrine. It emphasizes Worship of the Blessed Sacrament and devotion to Our Lady. You are welcome to join the event for a little while or for the whole day. It includes the Mass, Scripture, Rosary, Meditations on the Passion, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, Processions of the Blessed Sacrament and of Our Lady, Act of Consecration, Theological Instructions, Hymns and periods of rest with refreshments.

For more details see the poster on the church notice board.

### +++ LATELY DEAD +++

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Power (nee McGinley), a former parishioner, who passed away peacefully on Saturday 11th September 2011 at Collinson House Care Home in Luton, Bedfordshire. She was 88 years old, born 8th January 1933. Our condolences to her family.

*+++ Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. +++*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Christina Ward, Keith Fraser, Trish Taylor, Ryan Morrison, Philip Cockle and Melba De Silva.

*Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either you or your relatives would like to be mentioned on our sick list.*

### LET US REMEMBER

Let us remember those who have died recently or those whose anniversaries occur at this time, and all their families, with love and affection during this time of grief. May the Lord grant eternal rest to all who have died.

### ANNIVERSARIES

*Stella Teresa Solly, Alice Goodchild, Michael Harrison, Mary Josephine Thomas, John Elliot, Julia Forde, Reginald Jackson, Kathleen O'Connell, Cathleen Seymour, Colman Tierney, Nora Gugen, Seamus Dooley, Caroline Battye, Kathleen Isabel Shanahan, Mollie Laing, Gertrude Fielder, George Pollard, Christopher Doyle, Isabella Lowe, Anthony O'Connell, Frances Mary Oborn, Winifred Arendse, Harry Lee, Margaret Cedro, Sharmain Tavares, Joseph Breem, Margaret Maguire, Patrick Quinn, Ida Phillips, Ellen Prince, Angela Young, Carlo Booth, Annie Margaritae Ruddy, Andrew Sharkey, John East, Maria Reddy, Christopher Mann.*

**+++May they rest in Peace +++**

**DIVINE MERCY DAY OF PRAYER**  
Invoking the intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham

**WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL**  
**SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**  
**12.30 PM – 4.30 PM**

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