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TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST 2019

"Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! "

Fire is frightening; it can burn up a city. Controlled it is warming: in control in a grate; and it also warms the heart, when we sit back, watch the flames and chat, think or pray. Jesus came to bring fire on the earth.



His is the warmth of love and companionship: when we know we can go to him just as we are, and enjoy the intimacy of his friendship – the friend who is always offering the gift of his heart to each of us.

The warmth of Jesus brings comfort and hope to the world when we live in isolation from each other, lack of friendship and hope. When we lack the reconciliation and justice that makes life possible among us, then the warmth of God's love for all can inflame our coldness.

There is also the fire that disturbs; love challenges as well as comforts. The flame of God can be frightening in that it demands a world of justice, peace and reconciliation. The fire of this love is the fire that also warms and comforts.

The flame of God is the Holy Spirit. Jesus comes to bring all sorts of fire to the world, and to send the Spirit of comfort, justice, reconciliation and hope. The message of Jesus may divide us, and if it does, the love of Jesus can unite us, for love is the most powerful gift of Jesus.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.'

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10



The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 39(40):2-4,18

R. Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord
And he stooped down to me;
He heard my cry .**R**

He drew me from the deadly pit,
From the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
And made my footsteps firm. *R*

He put a new song into my mouth,
Praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
And shall trust in the Lord. *R*

As for me, wretched and poor,
The Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O God, do not delay. *R*

SECOND READING

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews 12:1-4

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 12:49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over! 'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (all bow) *was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SANCTUS:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.*

COMMUNION RITE

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever

Behold the Lamb of God...

*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CERTIFICATE MASS 2019: all those who received their First Holy Communion in June this year are requested to come for their Certificate Mass on **Sunday 29th September at 10.30am.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATIONS 2020: the registration will be on Friday 1st November and 8th November 4-6pm & 7.15-8pm in the Parish Office.

Eligible candidates for First Holy Communion are those who will start **year 3 in September 2019** and for Confirmation **year 8 or above in September 2019.**

First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programmes will start on **Saturday 18th January 2020.** The classes will be on Saturdays: First Holy Communion at 9.50am and Confirmation at 11.15am.

CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS: will meet on *Monday 23rd September at 7.15pm* in the Parish Office.

EUROPEAN DAY: *is on 22nd September.* For the Mass: *Entrance hymn in English & French speaking community, Offertory hymn by Irish Community, Communion Hymns by Polish and Spanish speaking community. Readings by Ukrainian & Italian community, and Bidding prayers by Portuguese community.* Any other nations wishes to take an active role in the Mass, please speak to Fr Shaju. **Communities which are leading the singing at Mass are requested to practice the hymns.**

After the Mass, we will have *an European Food Festival* to which all the communities are requested to bring food (*one or two items only*). All the communities are requested to have a meeting to decide what dish they prepare. Many thanks.

FRENCH SPEAKING COMMUNITY MEETING: all the French speaking parishioners are requested to come for a meeting on *Sunday 8th September after 10.30am Mass* in the Hall.

SPANISH SPEAKING COMMUNITY MEETING: all Spanish speaking members of the parish are requested to come for a meeting on *Sunday 8th September after 12:00 Mass in the Hall.*

AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY: will meet on Sunday 15th September after 12:00 Mass. All are invited.

6 DAY-PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE: 20 - 25 October 2019: If you wish to join, please fill in a booking form and return to the parish office or to a priest. Travel by British Airways, 46 Kg luggage and accommodation in a 4 star hotel. The last seat is available to take.

VISIT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CENTENNIAL PILGRIM IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA TO ST BONIFACE: Our Lady of Fatima will visit us *on the Second Saturday 14 September 2019 from 9am.*

BIBLE STUDY: Parish is starting a Bible Study evenings on **First & Third Mondays of month 7.15-8pm**. The first one will be on *Monday 16th September 2019*

RCIA AND ADULT CONFIRMATION: every year, the Parish runs a programme called "RCIA" for any person who was never baptised, or was baptised in another Christian tradition and would like to become a Catholic, or any Catholic adults who have never been confirmed. Please come for an informal open house on **Monday 14th October at 7.15pm in the Parish Meeting Room (in the Presbytery)**.

READERS ROTA: Please collect your new Rota from the notice board.

HOLIDAYS: Parish wishes all of you a relaxing summer holiday. If you are travelling, the parish offers prayers for a safe journey.

FOOD BANK: the box for Food Bank contributions is in the Coffee Shop.

50+ CLUB: Will be closed over the Summer Break and re-open **13th September at 2pm**.

LITURGY FOR CHILDREN: Sessions have stopped for the Summer break and will resume on the **8th September 2019 at 10:30am**

BAPTISM PROGRAMME: next programme is on **Monday 26th August at 7.30pm in the Presbytery**.

COMMUNITY DAYS: European Day—**22nd September & All Nations Thanksgiving Day—24th November**.

INFANTS BAPTISM: Any parents who wish to baptise their children should register in the parish and attend the Mass regularly for at least six months. Those who moved recently to the parish should get evidence of the catholic practice. Fr Shaju will be happy to talk to you during Parish Open house if you have any queries.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you to all who have volunteered to look after the Church. It is encouraging to see more people are joining for the cleaning under the care of group leaders. Well done! This Monday is Team 3 at 10am.

We all are saddened at the death of **Winifred Claxton** who died last week. As we keep her in our prayers we offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends. **May she rest in peace!**

For all those who are celebrating their birthday this week the Parish wishes you a Happy Birthday and we join you to give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life to you & you a special gift to us. The Parish also wishes every blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.



NEED TO SEE A PRIEST:

If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or wedding or a private matter, please come to the Parish Open House every Friday from 4pm– 6pm. No appointment needed

HOSPITAL VISITS :

For any person admitted in St George’s Hospital and who would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Mark Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

The Sick: Lizzie Lynch, Agnelo Fernades, Nilojan Mariyathas, Betty Joyce, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Clifford Tetteh, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin Helena O’Connor, Cecil Adams, Pat Nolan, Pauline Kearney, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Gordon King, Maria Fatima, Fernando & Michael Andrade.

Anniversaries: Agatha Hanley, Raymond Gearing, Joseph Kelleher, Patrick Moran, Istavan Goher, Veronica Hunt, Roy Charlton, Francis Malone, Nancy Pierce, Lovell McKenzie, Daphne Moonie, Victor Lawrence, Michael Hickey, Sarah Muscat, Maria Allen, Monica Fung, Marie Requin, James Lynn, James Seery, Josephine Omoya. Pat Watkins, Pat Sexton, Richard Norton & Lucia Laidlaw.

May they rest in peace – Amen.

	17th & 18th August	24th & 25th August
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Jim Russell, Doris Cubero	Nancy Biney, Matchel Bibat
09.00	Jeanet Leyton, Frances Baltazar	Luiza Lobo, Pat Willis
10.30	Anastasia Ogbonna, Mary Sagoe	Emily Singh, Rose Adroa
12.00	Cecilia Francis, Finnuala Lynch	Matthewson Matthews, Keoni McGowan
18.30	Padraig Cronin, Remija Mponzi	Susan Daniel, Ivon Kandiah
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Agnela Cabral, David Cabral, Manuel Cabral	Ethna Power, Lucinda D’Souza, Mathew D’Souza
09.00	Valrose Hayes, Coralee Hilton, Elizabeth Rodrigues	Mary Donoghue, Monique Sinfailam, Pat Willis
10.30	Edy Endoza, Virginia Francois, Damian P Keeling	Carina Jualo, Isabella Mitchell, Ana Maria Da Silva
12.00	Rosemary John, Marjorie Smith, Mary Mayne	Jessy Roy, Nellie De Santos, Tharma Kandiah
18.30	Reya Mathai, Julian De Souza, Barrie Ellis– Daley	Barrie Ellis-Daley, Juliana De Souza, Rose Adroa

Church Cleaning:	Wk3: Mon 19th Aug @10am	Wk4: Mon 26th August @7pm
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection last weekend was £2256.78 [Loose plate 48%; Gift Aid 52%]

Thank you for your generosity

<u>Sunday 18th August</u>	09.00	Rogelio Cortez RIP
	10.30	Gertrude Anang
20th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)	12.00	Grace Reddington & Ana Fernandes, RIP
	15:00	Baptisms
	16:00	Urdu Chaplaincy Mass
	18.30	Melvina Paul & Family
Monday 19th August Saint John Eudes	09:30	Prendergast Family Dec
	18.30	Lucinda Fernandes
Tuesday 20th August Saint Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church	09.30	James Bolger RIP
	18.30	Georgette
Wednesday 21st August Saint Pius X	09.30	John Bosco Antao
	18:30	Diego Pinto RIP
Thursday 22nd August The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	09.30	Joao Santos
	18.30	James Pinto RIP
Friday 23rd August Saint Rose of Lima	09.30	John Kelly
	18.30	John Fitzgerald RIP
Saturday 24th August Saint Bartholomew	09:30	James Seery RIP
	14:00	Wedding
	18:30	Marie O'Grady Ints
	19:30	Tamil Mass
<u>Sunday 25th August</u>	09.00	Lindsay Wong RIP
	10.30	Joe Delaney
21st Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)	12.00	Emmanuel Rajanayagam RIP
	14:30	Wedding
	18.30	Helen Doyle RIP

<u>Monday</u> Padre Pio Group (9th Sept) <u>Tuesday</u> Charismatic Prayer Group (10 Sept) <u>Wednesday</u> Rosary Prayer Group (11th Sept)	<u>Thursday 8th August</u> Knit & Natter Group (3pm Parish Meeting Room) Legion of Mary (7.15pm Parish Meeting Room) Tamil Mass (7.30pm Church)
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Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat: 11.30am — 12.30pm	Holy Hour First Friday 5:15—6:15pm
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Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday	Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am
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