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SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST 2020 – YEAR (A) THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. (Luke 1:39-40)

Two pregnant women who can't wait to compare notes! This is the picture of Mary and Elizabeth. Yet neither could possibly have known the impact their children would have upon the world. And Mary was to mother her infant into the world to bring hope and reassurance. As model of faith and pattern of the Church on earth, she was finally to behold God at the moment of her death. Where she has gone we hope to follow.



FACE COVERING

From Saturday 8th August 2020, all those who are attending churches must wear a face covering unless they are exempt from doing so. This is for the good of all who gather in the Church.

- Readers may remove their face coverings at the lectern to read and should replace them before leaving it.
- Children under 11 years, no face covering required.
- Masks are available from the back of the Church. A donation is appreciated.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

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 Apocalypse 11:19,12:16,10

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

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

R. On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
forget your own people and your father's house. *R*

So will the king desire your beauty:
He is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king. *R*

SECOND READING

A Reading from the book of Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Mary has been taken up to heaven;
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 1:39-56

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord

would be fulfilled.' And Mary said: 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy— according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever. 'Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

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.

*Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

PUBLIC MASS AND OTHER SACRAMENTS

MASS: Weekdays 9.30am & 6.30pm .

Sunday Masses: 6.30pm (Saturday) and on Sundays 9am, 10.30am, 12:00, 1pm and 6.30pm.

1PM MASS ON SUNDAY: As elderly and those who are in shielding can now come for Mass, 1pm Mass on Sunday may be an option for them as it is less attended. Sunday 6.30pm Mass is also an option. Many thanks.

CONTACTLESS OFFERINGS/ DONATIONS: At the request of many parishioners, parish has now the contactless payment facility if you wish to do so your offering/ donation. You will find a contactless payment station at the back of the Church. Tap one of the preset amount or any other amount you prefer and swipe your card at the top of the machine. If your are a gift aid member, please let us know so that we can claim tax refund.

SUNDAY OFFERINGS: Due to Coivid-19 restrictions, we cant pass collection bags around. So please drop your envelops/offering in the boxes provided, which can be found at the entrance and exits.

GIFT AID SCHEME ENVLEOPES: Are available to collect from the church Porch at weekend Masses.

AIR CIRCULATION IN THE CHURCH: Please be assured that we are doing everything to keep the air circulation in the Church. The emergency door next to Our Lady's Chapel is open to an external door to get the fresh air in and goes out through the high windows of the Church. Please don't open the emergency door next to the organ as it may affect the airflow(air will enter through one emergency door and can escape though to the other without circulating through the whole church)

CHURCH CLEANING: Thanks you very much to all of you who volunteer to clean the church after Masses. So encouraging to see so many people come forward. May I request one person to coordinate the cleaning so that the cleaning will become more efficient and less time consuming.

ST BONIFACE SCHOOL: Is looking for new governors. If you can and interested, please contact Luisa Dolce at luisa.dolce-eboweme@stboniface.wandsworth.sch.uk

NEWSLETTER: Please take the newsletter home. Please don't leave on the pews or put back in the newsletter tray.

PARISH OPEN HOUSE is resumed. Fridays 5pm-6pm.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR THOSE WHO DIED OF COVID-19: There will be a memorial Mass for all those who have died of Covid-19 on **Saturday 12th September at 9.30am.** If you wish to include your loved ones or friends who died of Covid-19, please give their names to a priest or parish office. Many thanks.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING: There will be a training on **Saturday 3rd October at 3pm** for those who wish to become an altar server.

PARISH HALLS: can be hired now for functions. Please contact the parish office for more details.

EXAM RESULTS: Congratulations to all who received their A level results. Thank you for your prayers for them as they pursue their future studies. Continue to pray for those who are expecting their GCSE result this week. May they be rewarded for their hard work.

FUNERALS, BAPTISM AND WEDDING: Now, we can have the public celebrations of these sacraments in the Church with a maximum thirty people. Please contact the parish office to book a date for the sacraments.

CONFESSIONS: Started—on **Saturdays 10.30am-11.30am.** Unfortunately, regulation won't allow us to have confession in the confessional. So the confessions will be at the Our Lady Chapel area. Please note the time change.

BAPTISMS: Next **Baptism Preparation Class— 7.15pm on 24th August.** To book a baptism date, please contact the parish.

ALTAR SERVERS: Altar servers can now serve at the Mass. Only one server per Mass. They won't do normal duties but only ring the bell and bring water to priest to wash hands at the preparation of gifts.

DANIEL FASTING-2020: From 1 August to 21 August. Prayers to all who started the fasting & praying. More details are available from www.Shalommedia.org

CLEANING ROTA: Please see the Rota.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS & SERVICES: Parish have now the facility to live stream Mass, funeral, baptism etc. Parish will live stream **Sunday 12:00 Mass,** available on St Boniface Church Tooting YouTube channel.

PRAYERS GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES: We don't have a date yet to start group activities.

ST BONIFACE CAFÉ: is open Sunday.

RECENTLY DIED: Graham Hardy, Gwendoline Jill Fisher, Evelyne Jeffrey and Bridget McLoughlin. We offer our prayer to them and their family.

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 for a parish open house which is every Friday 5pm-6pm.

HOSPITAL VISITS: A Catholic Priest is available for patients, staff & Visitors to St. George's Hospital, Fr. Mark Higgins, on 0208 725 3069. Messages can be left. In emergencies phone the switchboard on 020 8672 1255 to page the Catholic Priest, who can be reached 24/7. **Please note: Now onwards, Mass on Sunday in the hospital chapel will be at 1.30pm.**

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.



PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

The Sick: Tereza Lobo, Joseph Conlin, Helena O'Connor, Pat Nolan, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D'Souza, Nigel Searle, Gordon King, Maria Fatima, Fernando, Michael Andrade, Rosario Alfonso, Rosalie Hickey, Anastasia Ogbonna, Nilojan Mariyathas, Betty Joyce, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin, Christina Grogan, Matilda Addison, Elizabeth Bosley, Janet Adams, Frances Brady, Maureen Connelly, Graham Hardy & Eli Lee Roberts.

Death Anniversaries: Christi Lobo, 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.**

	15th / 16th August	22nd / 23rd August
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat 18.30	Mathew D'Souza	Merichel Altea
09.00	Robin Thomas	Katherine Bennett
10.30	Anita Bennett	Princess Ikpoh
12.00	Tess Vallo	Keoni McGowan
18.30	Philippa Keeling	Susan Daniel

Cleaning Rota:	Wk1: Mon 17th August @ 10am	Wk2: Mon 24th August @ 7pm
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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity at last weeks collection (£2457.34)

Gift aided: 59% Loose Plate: 41%



<u>Sunday 16th August</u> 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	09:00 10:30 12:00 13:00 15:00 18:30	Those who died from Covid-19 Philomena Barsoni RIP Thanksgiving by Rodger November Altar list Baptism Maria El-Habash RIP
Monday 17th August Feria	09:30 18:30	Maura Fitzpatrick Birthday Ints November Deceased
Tuesday 18th August Feria	09:30 18:30	Theresa O'Shea RIP Caroline Cheung
Wednesday 19th August Saint John Eudes	09:30 18:30	Anthony Lum Wai, RIP Angello Doroudo RIP
Thursday 20th August Saint Bernard	09:30 18:30	Linda Birthday For Ralphnick Rosales & Family
Friday 21st August Saint Pius X	09:30 18:30	Jan RIP For the people of the Parish
Saturday 22nd August Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	09:30 18:30	Annam, Jose & Thomas Eddattukaran Mary Molley RIP
<u>Sunday 23rd August</u> 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A	09:00 10:30 12:00 13:00 15:00 18:30	Int Joel Bridie McLoughlin, RIP Thanksgiving Corrina Ng Georgina & Joseph Addae RIP Baptism Thanksgiving Imelda Lumaban

<u>Monday 17th August</u> Padre Pio Group closed	<u>Thursday 20th August</u> Knit & Natter Group Closed Legion of Mary: Closed Tamil Mass: 7.15pm	
<u>Tuesday 18th August</u> Charismatic Prayer Group closed	<u>Friday 21st August</u> 50+ Club Function Suite-closed Parish Open House 5pm – 6pm	
<u>Wednesday 19th August</u> Rosary Prayer Group 7pm Cry Chapel- Closed		
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat: 10.30am – 11.30pm	Holy Hour First Friday 5:15 – 6:15pm	
Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 9am Holy Hour on First Friday 5.15pm – 6.15 pm	Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am