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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SUNDAY 15th AUGUST 2021

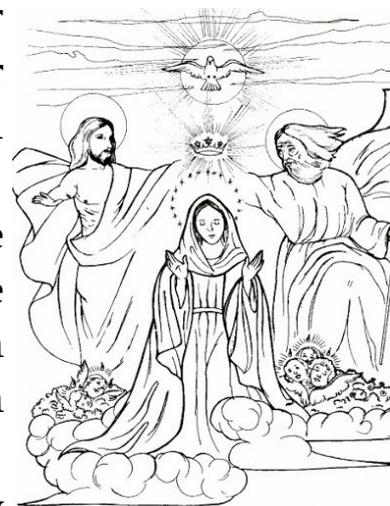
"I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'" (John 6: 51)

Sunday, 15th August, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady when according to our faith, the Holy Mother, "having completed her course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory".

Although defined as an article of faith by Pope Pius XII just over half a century ago, the Assumption of Our Lady into heaven has been accepted from back to the earliest of Christian times.

The Assumption signals the end of Mary's earthly life and marks her return to heaven to be reunited with Jesus. While the bodies of both Jesus and Mary are now in heaven, there is a difference between the Assumption and the Resurrection. Where Jesus arose from the tomb and ascended into heaven by his own power, Mary's body was taken up to heaven by the power of her Son.

For this reason we use different words to describe each event. One is the Ascension of Christ and the other, the Assumption of Mary.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of the Virgin Mary, at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

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 **Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10**

A reading from Apocalypse

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 44 (45)

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

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Corinthians

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!

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

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.**

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

Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and your 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.

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

YOUTH CHOIR: We keep in our prayers as our youth will sing at 12:00 Mass on this Sunday, 15 August.



OFFERINGS by CARD & GIFT AID: YOU CAN FIND THE CARD TERMINALS ON EITHER SIDE IN THE PORCH AS YOU ENTER THROUGH THE FRONT DOORS and also AT THE EMERGENCY EXIT LEADING TO THE GARDEN. You can Gift Aid all the offering you make by card. You can use card for Sunday offering/ Offering to the Poor/Second collection/ Shop etc. Please follow the instruction on the welcoming screen. Thanks for using the facility.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTION: We resume collection normal way (collection bags will be brought to you) by the ushers and altar servers.

PARISH OPEN HOUSE: No parish Open House until 3rd September. Please contact the parish office for urgent matters.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS: All those who have received their First Holy Communion are invited to become an Altar Server. If you wish to become, please fill in a form which is available from the Porch and hand it over to a priest or in the parish office. Training for the new altar servers will be on *Saturday 11th September at 4pm.*

GCSE & A LEVEL RESULTS: Congratulations to our young people who received their exam results. We keep them in our prayers as they pursue their future studies.

ST BONIFACE CAFÉ: Is closed from 23rd Aug to 1st Sept inclusive.

PARENT AND BABY : If you are a parent/grandparent/carer and interested to join a support group for chats, walks and activities please contact Lisa on lisa_singh@hotmail.co.uk

FR TOMASZ MARGOL: Requests your vote for a Vatican music contest. Please follow the link https://www.vocation-music-award.com/uk/contest/?contest=video-detail&video_id=177

PRAYER & CHARITY GROUPS: Will resume their meetings from **6th September.**

COVID-19: As lockdown rules came to an end by 19 July, we as a parish, do everything we can, to protect and make others comfortable to come for Mass especially elderly. **So, even though it is not mandatory to have face covering, you are encouraged to have it in the Church, and we shall keep the safe distancing & hand sanitising rules for some more time.** Many thanks for being mindful of others and taking care of them.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS: 9.30am on Mon–Sat and Sun at 12:00.

MORE SPACES IN THE HALL: There will be live streaming of the Masses in the Hall on Sunday 9am, 10:30 & 12:00. If you cant find a space in the Church, please make use this facility. Communion will be brought to the hall.

HALL BOOKINGS: Please visit www.stbonifacehall.co.uk, call 0208 672 2345 opt 1, Mobile 07456 514037 Hall queries only. Follow us online @stbonifacehall

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you very much to those people who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is Week3 (Team 3) at 10am.

CONFESSIONS: On Saturdays 10.30am-11.30am.

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

DIED RECENTLY: Mari Waters, Ofelia Bermudez, Douglas Martin, Eina O'Sullivan & Maru Nkum



TO BAPTISE A BABY: Please discuss with a priest during Parish Open House which is every Friday 4pm – 6pm in the Parish Office.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: Is on this Monday 30th August at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall.

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 on FRIDAYS. No appointment needed.

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you or a family member are admitted to St George’s Hospital and would like to see a priest, please contact Fr March Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

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: Mary Waters, Daisy Jhugroo, Pat Nolan, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Fernando, Michael Andrade, Rosaria Alfonso, Rosalie Hickey, Anastatsia Ogbonna, Nilojan Mariyathas, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin , Christina Grogan, Matilda Addison, Elizabeth Bosley, Frances Brady, Maureen Connelly, Paric Burke, Eli Lee Roberts, Daniel Bird, Anne & John Doyle.

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.

	14th & 15th August	21st & 22nd August
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the Rota)	
Sat 18.30	Merichel Altea	Nancy Biney
09.00	Pat Wills	Berrie Ellis-Daley
10.30	Francis Ikpoh	Anastasia Ogbonna
12.00	Keoni McGowan	Tara Butler
13:00	Callum Fernandez	Pam Fernandez
18:30	Sally Canizo	Ivon Kandia
Cleaning Rota:	Wk4 Mon 14th August @ 7pm	Wk1 Mon 23rd August @ 10am

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity at last week's collection (£3352.82)
 Box collection £1210.82 Card collection: 931.00 & S/O: 1211.00



DIARY FOR THE WEEK

<u>Sunday 15th August</u> THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (B)	09:00	Jose & Thomas Edattukaran Narciso Siasico Jr
	10:30	Anita Fonseca Ints
	12:00	Lionel Potter & Allan Wise B/D Remembrance
	13:00	Dessie & Jim Fahey, RIP B/D Rbrance Florence B/D
	18:30	Jim Merrick RIP
Monday 16th August St Stephen of Hungary	09:30	James Brown
	18:30	Ann Murphy RIP
Tuesday 17th August Votive St Anthony	09:30	Jerome Christy & Agnes Lobo RIP
	18:30	Gally Maura Fitzpatrick B'day/ Alex Martin Fernandes RIP(A)
Wednesday 18th August Votive St Joseph	09:30	Florinda Figueira/ Jacqueline Keogh RIP
	18:30	Ronald Andrews RIP/ Ana Fernandes RIP(A)
Thursday 19th August St John Eudes	09:30	For the People of the Parish
	18:30	Ilonwa & Uzodike RIP
Friday 20th August St Bernard	09:30	Frank Kilroy RIP
	18:30	Tom Hayes RIP
Saturday 21st August Our Lady	09:30	John Byrne RIP
	18:30	Basil Netto, RIP
<u>Sunday 22nd August</u> TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY YEAR (B)	09:00	Kochappu & Annam Edattukaran/ Danny Gilhooley RIP
	10:30	Linda & Gary B/Days
	12:00	Mr & Mrs Zerafa
	13:00	Rosalie Hickey RIP
	18:30	Eugene Barros RIP

All the Group meeting & Prayer Groups are closed until further notice.

Tamil Mass: 7.15pm on Thursday 19th August.

Parish Open House: No Parish Open House until Friday 3rd September

Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am 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
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