

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 5 th September -	6.30pm	Mary Kakari (Int)
Sunday 6 th September -	9.00am	Roy & Marian Francis (45 th Wedding Anniversary)
	11.00am	Vincent Okolo (Int)
Monday 7 th September – Fiera	9.00am	Patricia Kathleen North (R.I.P)
Tuesday 8 th September – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00am	Gertie Morris (R.I.P)
Wednesday 9 th September- Fiera	9.00am	Dylan Dunbar (Sick Child)
Thursday 10 th September –	9.00am	Bridie Donnelly (Birthday)
Friday 11 th September – Fiera	9.00am	Joan Carey (Int)
Saturday 12 th September - Fiera	9.00am	Holy Souls

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 12 th September -	6.30pm	Andrew & Kathryn Turner (Silver Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday 13 th September -	9.00am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Richard Kearns (Int)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: to be arranged

Peace Garden

Our prayer garden is opened daily and there is a prayer, Pope Francis has asked us to pray to seek Mary's help, which is in front of the statue. Please say this prayer as we hope that the world may be healed of this virus.



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5th & 6th September 2020

Dear Friends,

The readings today emphasise the importance of the Christian Community and how we are all responsible for one another. The children go back to school this week for another academic year. After all the problems the pandemic caused us, we all have the opportunity to begin again.

Education is not only a matter of sending your children back to school, it is also a family matter. Much success of any child or young person depends on the interest, support, encouragement and sharing on the part of the parents. This is at all stages – even when your child or children 'outgrow' your knowledge. Learn to listen to them and learn from them. All this is true of the education of children in the way of Faith. They receive the Spirit of the Lord many times in their lives, but do they allow it to affect their lives?

'Spirit of the living Lord fall afresh on me.' These words of a hymn, which is often sung at Mass or in prayer groups, asks for the continued gift of the Holy Spirit. Christ promised that he would send his Spirit and this coming was made real at Pentecost. But, we receive the Spirit when we were born again at our Baptism. We have been temples of the Holy Spirit ever since.

We pray for all our children who return to school this week. Send your Holy Spirit upon them as their guide and protector. Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm. May they learn and grow strong in wisdom and knowledge. May the presence of the Holy Spirit fill their hearts and minds, so that they may face the future in confidence and hope. Through Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Please keep safe and mind yourself and each other.

God Bless,

Father Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

Michael Balfour, Vincent Brady, Rose Cahill, John Carty, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Desmond family, Gerry Dique, Anthony Doherty, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Jenny Jones, Ann Kelly, Neil Kelly, Sheila Leahy, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Matthew Milnar, John Morrison Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Nellie Ringrose, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Clara Yankey, Teresa Pitman, Julia Joseph, Mary Kakari, John Barry, Sarah Content, Celia Desmond, Teresa Shorey, Jean Berry, Dennis Doherty, Francesca Kelly, Paul & Eva AU, Rose Dique, Jim Nolan, George Kiparrisi, Rosetta Reehill, William Bradbury, Roy Francis, Rob Brown

Gift Aid

Please remember if you are a taxpayer and you have not signed up to the gift aid scheme you are letting the government keep 20p in every £1 that you donate to the Church. There are forms at the back of the church please fill them in and return to the parish office.

We have been asked to provide details so that parishioners can pay their donations by direct debit or standing order. It is an easier form of donation the details are as follows

Bank HSBC

Account name: Catholic Church Elm Park St Albans

Sort Code: 40-13-22

Account number: 31019848

We can still collect the gift aid off these donations so please remember to fill in the gift aid form.

Thank you

The 200 club

Please remember the more people we have in the 200 club the bigger the monthly prize would be. We have lost quite a few members over the last two years this is a great way to give to the church as well as having the possibility of a win. If you would like to join the 200 club please see Father Maurice.

CONGRATULATIONS: We congratulate Richard, Raiche and Galin on being received into the Church at a special Mass last Saturday. We welcome them as full members of the Church and will continue to journey with them in faith and love.

Please Pray

For the repose of the soul of Kathleen Parmenter (Teresa Shorey's sister) who died recently. She was a former housekeeper here to Father Toninello

May She Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

The Good Counsel Network

The Good Counsel Network is a Catholic, Pro-Life group based in London. We provide friendship, creative solutions, help and supports to women in crisis pregnancies and afterwards, regardless of their beliefs, nationality, legal status etc. We can also help women suffering after an abortion. Please get in touch with our telephone number – 020 7723 1740 or by email- info@goodcounselnetwork.com or visit our site www.goodcounselnetwork.com .

Pope Francis

In his prayer intentions for September 2020, Pope Francis asks everyone to pray that we learn to respect the planet's resources.

We are squeezing out the planet's goods. Squeezing them out, as if the earth were an orange.

Countries and businesses from the global north have enriched themselves by exploiting the natural resources of the south, creating an "ecological debt." Who is going to pay this debt?

In addition, this "ecological debt" is increased when multinationals do abroad what they would never be allowed to do in their own countries. It is outrageous.

Today, not tomorrow; today, we have to take care of Creation responsibly.

Let us pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

No to plundering, Yes to sharing