

CLERGY

Rev. Fr. Francis Olaseni, MSP – Parish Priest & Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Fr. Eugene Terngohol Lughah, MSP – Assistant Priest & Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Robert Beresford – Deacon

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 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. Thank You.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES

SUNDAY 17TH JULY 2022

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, CYCLE C

Saturday 16th	Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Memorial
9.30am	Keith Fraser RIP
6.30pm	Montague Laing RIP
Sunday 17th	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am	Darren Beaver RIP
10.30am	Andrew Fletcher RIP
6.30pm	Zoran Popovic RIP
Monday 18th	
9.30am	Wellbeing of Teresa Dooley
Tuesday 19^h	
9.30am	Maria McCarthy RIP
Wednesday 20th	
9.30am	Zoran Popovic RIP
Thursday 21st	
9.30am	Holy Souls
Friday 22nd	St Mary Magdalene, Feast
9.30am	Thanksgiving for Birthday & Private Intentions
Saturday 23rd	St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe, Feast
9.30am	Private Intentions
6.30pm	Birthday Intentions for Darryl Pearl

Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday 09:00 AM

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

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

Baptisms: Sundays – By previous arrangement.

Marriages: Six months' notice required – Diocesan rule.

Thursday 21st July 2022

Please note that we will be joined by children from St Agatha's School, for the 9.30am Mass on Thursday 21st July 2022, who will be marking the end of the school year and celebrating their Year 6 leavers.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022/23

Application forms for next year's First Holy Communion are now available from the church porch, or the parish office during office hours.



This sacrament is normally offered to baptised children when they reach Year 3. However, a decision has been taken to change this to Year 4. Therefore, we will only be accepting applications from those who are in Year 4 or above from September 2022.

If your child has not already been baptised, we will arrange baptism with you at a suitable time whilst your child undertakes the course.

Forms must be completed and returned IN PERSON ONLY at one of the following sessions:

- Friday 23rd September 2022 between 2pm and 4pm, at the Presbytery.
- Saturday 24th September 2022 between 5.45pm and 6.15pm in the Cloister.
- Sunday 25th September 2022 after 10.30am Mass in the Cloister.

Please remember to bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate.

CONFIRMATION 2022/23

Registration forms for our next Confirmation programme are now available from the church porch, or the parish office during office hours.



Forms must be completed and returned to the parish office no later than:

Friday 30th September 2022.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C
Sunday, July 17, 2022

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:38-42

Jesus visits the house of Martha and Mary.

Gospel Reflection

The story of Jesus in the home of Martha and Mary complements the story of the Good Samaritan, which immediately precedes it in Luke's Gospel. Both stories are unique to Luke. The story of the Samaritan opens with the words "a certain man." Today's reading opens with the words "a certain woman." The Samaritan is an example of how a disciple should see and act. Mary is an example of how a disciple should listen. Mary, a woman, is a marginalized person in society, like the Samaritan. Both do what is not expected of them. As a woman, Mary would be expected, like Martha, to prepare hospitality for a guest. Here again Jesus breaks with the social conventions of his time. Just as a Samaritan would not be a model for neighbourliness, so a woman would not sit with the men around the feet of a teacher.

Both stories exemplify how a disciple is to fulfil the dual command which begins chapter 10—love of God (Mary) and love of neighbour (the Samaritan). These are the two essentials of life in the kingdom. By using the examples of a Samaritan and a woman, however, Jesus is saying something more. Social codes and boundaries were strict in Jesus' time. Yet to love God with all one's heart and one's neighbour requires breaking those rules. The Kingdom of God is a society without distinctions and boundaries between its members. It is a society that requires times for seeing and doing and also times for listening and learning at the feet of a teacher.



Family Reflection

In our families and homes, we have boundaries. Some are geographical; we may have our own room or part of a room that we want others to stay out of. Parents may have home offices that are off-limits to children. Some boundaries are behavioural; children may speak one way to their friends, but they are not allowed to speak the same way to their parents or other adults. A Curfew is another type of boundary, whose purpose is to protect children's safety.

Talk about examples of boundaries in your family. For the most part, these boundaries are good. Talk about how sometimes we set up boundaries for the wrong reasons. For example, if we are angry with a sibling, we may draw a line and tell him or her to stay on his or her side. Explain that when we use boundaries to exclude others, we are being hurtful. Point out how in Jesus' time, some boundaries were used to unfairly exclude people. One example was from last week's Gospel: Samaritans. This Sunday's Gospel has another example: women. Talk about how the role of women has changed in your lifetime. Explain that in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus breaks down a barrier that kept women from being disciples.

Read aloud Luke 10:38-42. Talk about how Martha is conditioned by the existing boundaries of her society, but how her sister, Mary, breaks through that boundary and becomes a disciple of Jesus. Talk about how you can work as a family to break down boundaries that separate people. Point out that when we pray the Lord's Prayer, we call God "Our Father," meaning that we are all his children; no boundaries should separate us. Conclude this time together by praying the Lord's Prayer.

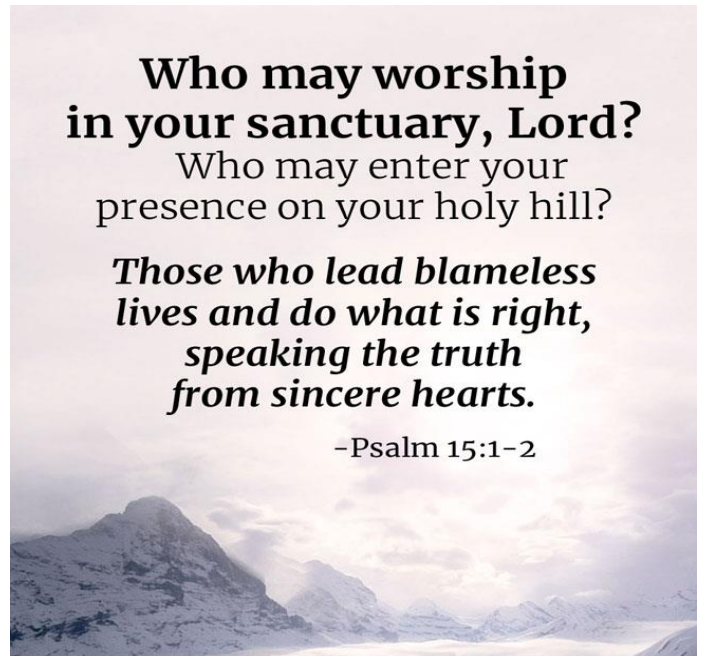
Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

**Who may worship
in your sanctuary, Lord?**

Who may enter your
presence on your holy hill?

***Those who lead blameless
lives and do what is right,
speaking the truth
from sincere hearts.***

-Psalm 15:1-2





COMBONI MISSION APPEAL Sunday 24th July 2022

Next weekend we will be joined by Father Louis Kouevi, MCCJ, who will be doing a mission appeal at all the Sunday Masses for the Comboni Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus. We will have a retiring collection. Please also use the red bucket in the church porch.

For more information about the Comboni Missions, please visit: <https://comboni.org/>
Fr Louis is a Comboni Father, and at present assistant priest at St Joseph's Parish, Roehampton. His home country is Togo where he served for six years and he served for fifteen years in the Democratic Republic of Congo. We know that you will make him feel very welcome.

SEA SUNDAY: THE APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

Last Sunday the retiring collection was for the Apostleship of the Sea. The total amount collected was £172.45. Thank you everyone for your contributions.

You can still donate online at:

www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate

or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

MOVE FOR BISHOP PAUL HENDRICKS

We have been informed that our South-West Area Bishop, Paul Hendricks, is moving to be Bishop of the Kent Area. The Episcopal Vicar for Kent, Mgr. Canon John O'Toole has now retired through ill health. Please remember him in prayers.

Archbishop John has appointed an Episcopal Vicar for our Area, the current Dean of Croydon, Fr Gerard Bradley. We congratulate and welcome him in this role.

We thank Bishop Paul for his support and involvement in our parish and send our good wishes to him for the future.

The Gospel tells us constantly to run the risk of a face-to-face encounter with others, with their physical presence which challenges us, with their pain and their pleas, with their joy which infects us in our close and continuous interaction. True faith in the incarnate Son of God is inseparable from self-giving, from membership in the community, from service, from reconciliation with others. ~

Pope Francis.

PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The men of the parish meet together once a month at the Wych Elm. Their next gathering will be on Thursday 21st July 2022. They have a table booked in the garden. Please come along and join them from 8pm.

PARISH OFFICE

Karin, our Parish Secretary, will be on annual leave on the dates below during the summer break, therefore the parish office will be closed. Our Parish Priests will be available in case of an emergency or urgent matters only please. For non-urgent enquiries please email kingston@rcaos.org.uk. For any other matters please wait until the parish office re-opens.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Monday 25th July 2022, Monday 1st, Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th and Monday 22nd August 2022. Monday 29th August until Monday 5th September 2022 (office fully reopens Tuesday 6th September 2022).

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS COURSE

R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a set of rites, or ceremonies, designed to introduce and prepare non baptised adults into becoming full members of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation, namely, Baptism, (or Reception if already Baptised), Confirmation and Holy Eucharist (The Body and Blood of Christ).



It is also for baptised Christians of other churches who take a similar, but unique path through the rites where they will be Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Baptised Adult Catholics seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation, and possibly the Holy Eucharist if not already received, can also join this programme. It can also be a good experience for full members of the Catholic Church who may not have practised their faith for a number of years, or for those who wish to more fully understand and deepen their faith. If you fall into any of these categories please speak with the Parish Priests for further information, or contact the Parish Secretary to register your interest.

The course is expected to start in October 2022.



**FOR CATHOLICS IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE:
NEW RESOURCES FROM THE ANSCOMBE
BIOETHICS CENTRE**

The Anscombe Bioethics Centre is an organisation which does research on behalf of our Bishops and education for the Catholic community on moral matters in medicine. They have a new website which has resources which will benefit parishioners who are doctors, nurses, or others who work or study in fields related to health and social care.

You can access and benefit from their work through their website and social media: www.bioethics.org.uk You can also sign up to their monthly digest for the latest news, events, and accessible briefings on moral matters in medicine, here: <https://bit.ly/ABC-Subscribe>



ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral nearby. Further details and tour dates are available at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relic-tour-2022/>

St Mary's University is pleased to announce that the Relics of St Bernadette will be coming to the University Chapel on Tuesday 6th September 2022.

Booking is essential for each of the following:

- Mass at 1.05pm inside the Chapel
- Mass at 6pm inside the Chapel
- General admission on Campus

<https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/events/2022/09/a-day-in-lourdes-uk-tour-of-the-relics-of-st-bernadette>

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margarita Siese (Peggy) who died recently. Her requiem will take place here at St Agatha's on Tuesday 2nd August 2022 at 1.30pm.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.
++ 'Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May they rest in peace. Amen.' ++

**PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Trish Taylor, Ryan Morrison, Philip Cockle, Melba De Silva and Marie Chlebeckova.

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

David Crew, Frances Trout, Annie Evenden, Patricia Green, Peter Henry Bowden, Antony Cox, Eileen Flynn, William Miles, Margaret Smith, Jesse Higgs, Jacqueline Sewter, Mary Hutton, Josephine Lamb, Catherine (Trudy) McIntyre, Frances Cobb, Patrick Joseph Collins, Anne Keane, Mary Mackey, Mary Smith, George Dyke, Viola Mary O'Connor.

++++May They Rest In Peace ++++

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

We have a couple of devout parishioners who are currently seeking accommodation to rent nearby, within the parish area:

- ① A young woman is looking for one bedroom, preferably with a private bathroom/shower.
 - ② A Kingston University female student is looking for a room to rent, preferably within a family home setting, and would be happy to assist with errands and babysitting if needed.
- Please get in touch with the parish secretary on 020 8546 4633 as soon as possible if you can help and to discuss further.