PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

20th and 21st August 2016 *Psalter Week 1* *VOL. 2. NO. 39/2016*

THE ANNUNCIATION AND ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH PRIEST

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MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 9:15am

Saturday: 6:00pm Vigil Mass with Hymns

Sunday: 8:30am; Said Mass

10:30am Family Sung Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mon to Fri (Except First Friday): 8:00am

1st Fri Adoration: 9:45am to 3:30pm

MORNING PRAYERS:

Monday to Friday: 8.45am

ROSARY: Monday to Friday: 9:45am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:15pm

WEEKLY OFFICE SURGERY

Every Tuesday 4.00pm to 7.00pm

PARISH SECRETARY

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WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS

PARISH MASS BOOK

This weekend is the Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C, page 127 in the Parish Mass Book.

RESPONSE TO THE BIDDING PRAYER

Reader: **Hear us, O Lord;**

All: **and send us your Holy Spirit.**

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Our prayers go out to those who are sick and to those who care for them especially: Frank Holmes, Connie Brewer, Catherine Simmons, Marie Avis, Yolanda Whitcher, Mary Smith, Paul Driscoll, Pat Driscoll, Philys Gray, Benedict Perrier, Tom Geiger, Bernadatte Dowswell, Pamela Williams-Jones, Alan Dorey, Maria Ali, Michael Gill, Doris Dalylish, Mary O'Regan, Macdara Keane, Peggy Margaret Davies, Janet Nelson and Deacon Jeff. If you know any parishioner who is ill, please let the Parish Priest know.

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES FOR DECEASED RELATIVES

Caroline Bartlett, Patrick, Michael McInerney, Everson Garraway, Andrew McKie, Lynton, Maureen Baragwanath, John James Whyte, John Walter, Gladys O'Sullivan, Paulette Franklin

OUR PARISH PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, look in love upon our homes, our families and our communities. Raise up from among us worthy priests to preach the Gospel to all peoples, to minister at your altar, and to care for your flock. Fill us all with your Holy Spirit and make us faithful and inspiring witnesses to your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The children's liturgy group will now break for the summer holidays. We wish all the catechists and the children a safe and happy summer holiday. We also thank all the members of the children's liturgy team for all their help and support in the parish.

SUGGESTION BOX

There is a suggestion box at the back of the Church, please leave any suggestions you may have so that we may become a collaborative parish.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER AND ADORATION

There will be a Divine mercy prayer and adoration every Monday to Friday from 3:00pm to 3:30pm in the parish. Interested parishioners are welcome to join in the prayer and adoration.

COLLECTIONS

COLLECTIONS	AMOUNT COLLECTED	AMOUNT GIFT AIDED
Offertory	**£444.93**	**£224.00**
Parish Repair Fund	**£257.36**	**£87.30**
Donation	**£**	**£**
Thank you all for your generosity		

The second collection this weekend 20th and 21st August and next weekend, 27th and 28th August is for the Parish Repair Fund. Please be generous.

READERS FOR THIS WEEKEND 20th AND 21st AUGUST

Saturday 6.00pm Vivien Singleton and Teresa Tagg

Sunday 8.30am Hector Taguing and Carol Roycroft

Sunday 10.30am Fidelis Iwu (Senior) and Georgina De Ben Rockson

READERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 27th AND 28th AUGUST

Saturday 6.00pm Kath Hutton and Toyin Odumade

Sunday 8.30am Natasha Olisa and Sheila Anderson

Sunday 10.30am Celine Umeh and Paul Inyang Henshaw

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND 20th AND 21st AUGUST

Saturday 6.00pm Ruth McKie and Susan Longhurst

Sunday 8.30am Joseph Soupe and Bluette Soupe

Sunday 10.30am Liz Humphrey and Patience Erhabor

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 27th AND 28th AUGUST

Saturday 6.00pm Augustina Okonji and Teresa Tagg

Sunday 8.30am Alison Olisa and Tyrone Taguiang

Sunday 10.30am Prudencia Ebrilem and Stanley Odemena

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

Team B: 26th August 6.30pm Cynthia Solomon, Grace McDonald, Maria White, Celine Umeh

Team C: 3rd Sept 7.00am Maria Ali, Tina Mante, Stacy Dangare, Maria Bridgeman, Christina Arthur-Davis, Blanadah Read

DATES	FEASTS	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 20th 6.00pm Mass	Vigil Mass: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C	John Smith Snr. RIP
Sunday 21st 8.30am Mass	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C	1.Janet Ajayi RIP 2.Thanksgiving mass 3.Thanksgiving for Chimamaka's baptism
Sunday 21st 10.30am Mass	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C	Six months remembrance mass for the soul of Mr Gregory Maduka
Monday 22nd 9.15am Mass	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Memorial	
Tuesday 23rd 9.15am Mass	Feria	
Wednesday 24th 9.15am Mass	Saint Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast	Therese Farina RIP
Thursday 25th 9.15am Mass	Feria	
Friday 26th 9.15am Mass	Feria	People of the Parish
Saturday 27th 6.00pm Mass	Vigil Mass: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C	Julius Olushola Ajayi RIP
Sunday 28th 8.30am Mass	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C	Mrs Sarah Okoro RIP
Sunday 28th 10.30am Mass	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C	1.UCM 2.Birthday blessings for Udochi, Chidozie and Chetachi 3.Six months remembrance mass for the soul of Mr Gregory Maduka

THE CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS)

This certificate provides an introduction to Catholic theology for teachers, catechists, chaplains and school governors. If you would like to find out more about the CCRS you are invited to attend one of the introductory evenings: Tuesday, 13th September at the Angelus Centre, Bexley Road, Erith DA8 1DN or Thursday 15th September at CCF, 21 Tooting Bec Road, London SW17 8BS. Refreshments served from 7.00pm. Session 7.30 - 8.30pm. For enquiries or to book a place please contact 020 8672 7684 or email ccrs@ccftootingbec.org.uk. Please see booklets in foyer and poster at the back of the Church.

***INTERNATIONAL DAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2016

Thank you to Cameroon, who will be organising the International Day this year. The Cameroon community will update the parishioners at all masses this weekend about this parish annual celebration. Every country and every person must be involved.

INFANT BAPTISM CLASSES

Baptism classes will take place every second Thursday of the month at 7.00pm in the Parish Room. The next class will take place on the 8th September.

RCIA PROGRAMME

This RCIA programme is for adults who are not baptised or who have been baptised in other churches and wish to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church. Those people interested in the RCIA programme, classes for initiation next year, in 2017, will take place on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7.00pm in the Parish Room. The next class will take place on 22nd September.

PARISH CALENDAR

Could each Parish group please forward photographs of their members to the Parish office as soon as possible? Thank you to those who already have. Any parishioner who wants to sponsor a page on the parish calendar should forward their pictures and a donation of at least £100 to parish office or Mrs Augustina Iwu.

*****YOUTH MEETING**

Please may all the youth meet on the 2nd and 4th (and 5th where applicable) Saturdays of the month. The schedule will be as follows:
Youth meeting 1.00pm to 2.00pm
Altar servers meeting: 2.10pm (usually after a ten minute break)

*****HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOS**

The First Holy Communion photos are now ready to order by going to http//krystiandziekanski.zenfolio.com/staugustines

*****FUNERAL MASS**

The funeral mass of William Richard Donovan will take place here at St Augustine's at 11am on Monday, 22nd August and burial will be at St Patrick's Catholic cemetery on Tuesday 23rd August at 11am. As a parish we offer our sincere condolences and prayers to his family. May he rest in peace.

YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis called this year an Extraordinary Year of Mercy...8th Dec, 2015 to 20th Nov, 2016. Have you reconciled with your friends and family? Have you reconciled with God?

*****BAPTISM**

This weekend we welcome Chimamaka Ebulue, who is being baptised at the 10.30am mass, into our parish community.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS PRAYER, REFLECTION AND STUDY SESSION

The Good Shepherd Church in Downham are holding a prayer and study day for Eucharistic ministers on Saturday 8th October from 10am to 12.30pm. Please see the poster at the back of the Church.

*****DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD**

The Marian Fathers are organising a Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Aylesford on Bank Holiday Monday, 29th August. The main celebrant will be Bishop Pat Lynch. Please see the poster at the back of the Church for details.

VIRGO FIDELIS COVENT SENIOR SCHOOL

Virgo Fidelis are holding open evenings. Please see the poster at the back of the Church for the dates and times.

*****THANK YOU**

Thank you, Fr Augustine for spending 6 weeks with us. We wish him the best and we keep connected in prayer.

REFLECTION

It's probably a nightmare we all share to some degree or other - being locked out of the house, the sales, the big match, or missing the train, the boat or plane. Contemplating watching the crowds that have got inside, while we can do nothing, can be unnerving. Complacency can leave us in this situation: today the Lord warns all who listen to him to be careful, taking nothing for granted, but making sure that we are (spiritually at least) like the people waiting with their sleeping bags and thermos flasks by the front door of the ticket office.