



# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH NEWSLETTER

summer edition

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

27<sup>th</sup> August 2017

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## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August

6:00 pm - Vigil Mass - Pro Populo

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

9:15 am - Brian Lawson

11:15 am - Alex Bleach RIP

1:00 pm - in Polish

3:00 pm - Baptism of Luis Camora

5:00 pm - in Italian

### Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August

*St Augustine (Memorial)*

10:00 am - Luisa Chartres RIP

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August

*The Passion of John the Baptist (Memorial)*

**NO MASS**

### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August

*SS Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, Margaret Ward  
(Martyrs)*

10:00 am - Deceased Members of Fernandez Family

1:00 pm - in Polish

### Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August

*St Aidan and Saints of Lindisfarne*

10:00 am - Margaret Pentony RIP

### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September

10:00 am - Ronan Child RIP

1:00 pm - in Polish

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

10:00 am - Paulose Vathayathil RIP

3:00 pm - Wedding of Sophie Nixon & Matias Martin-Baeza

6:00 pm - Vigil Mass - Pro Populo

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 am - For Seafarers

11:15 am - Colin Charles Drake FM

1:00 pm - in Polish

5:00 pm - in Italian

## Other Announcements

**There will be No Car Park Renewals  
'til Monday 18th September.**

## Useful Contacts

### Parish Office

01403-253667  
Mon-Fri | 9:00 am - 2:30 pm  
Trish Fitzsimmons | Cozette Rice

### Safeguarding

Trish Fitzsimmons

### Parish Hall Hire

Please inquire at the Parish Office

### St John's Primary School

Toria Bono | 01403-265447

### St Robert Southwell Primary School

James Field | 01403-252357

### St. Wilfrid's Catholic Comprehensive, Crawley

Headteacher Mike Ferry  
01293 421 421

### Parish Mission Group

Chair to be announced soon

### Chair of Parish Finance

David Innes  
innesgen@btinternet.com

## Last Week's Collection

£1,927.87

## Second Collection

No Collection

Thank You

You could add 25p to every £1  
you give by joining Gift Aid.

# Today's Readings

## 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

### THE COLLECT

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

### FIRST READING (Isaiah 22:19-23)

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.**

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal discard not the work of your hands. **R**

### SECOND READING (Romans 11: 33-36)

How rich are the depths of God — how deep his wisdom and knowledge — and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! **Amen.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL (Matthew 16: 13-20)

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O, Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The earth is replete with fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Readings for Next Week

**Jeremiah 20:7-9**

**Psalms 62:2-6, 8-9**

**St Paul to the Romans 12:1-2**

**Matthew 16:21-27**