



TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

17th Sunday after Pentecost	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of the parish
Monday Holy Guardian Angels	9.30am	Mass – Int. Thanksgiving intention
Tuesday Feria	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday St Francis of Assisi	NO MASS	
Thursday Feria	6.00pm	Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00pm	Mass
Friday Feria	9.00am	Mass
Saturday Our Lady of the Rosary	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
18th Sunday after Pentecost	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of parish

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH OUR CHILDREN

Has now returned following the school holidays. During 10am Mass, we invite our younger children (approx. aged 3 to 7) to attend their own Liturgy of the Word in the Guild Room. **Parents are encouraged to join their children.** We welcome more help from those who seek to be leaders and support in this ministry to the children of our parish.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Applications are requested for preparations for **First Reconciliation (Confession)** and **First Holy Communion** in **Our Lady's Parish**. Candidates must be in at least school year 3. Please take some time to complete the signup sheet in the porch. There are also Signup sheets for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** and for those who are considering **becoming a Catholic**. **Applications will close on Sunday 8th October 2017.**



Tea, coffee and cold drinks are served in The Guild Room after both of our Sunday Masses.
All are welcome!

Infant Baptism and Marriage. By appointment with Fr Andy after completing the necessary preparation. **The Church requires** notice of at least six months prior to the Sacrament of Matrimony being celebrated.

About Liturgy

Liturgical Ministries as responding to God's call for labourers: Many of us take for granted those who minister at Mass each Sunday – assembly, presider, deacon, hospitality ministers (or greeters), altar ministers, music ministers, readers, extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Sometimes, too, because we minister when our name appears on the schedule, we might fall into the trap of thinking we are just getting necessary jobs accomplished, General Instruction of the Roman Missal 91 speaks of the Eucharistic celebrations as an action of the whole church in which different orders and offices unfold and the ordained ministers and lay Christian faithful fulfil "their function or their duty" according to what "pertains to them."

Whatever ministries are exercised by different persons during the liturgy, they are always undertaken after careful discernment of one's abilities, prayer to do God's will (hear God's call to minister), and appropriate preparation for the ministers also witness to God's persistent call to followers of Jesus to be labourers in the divine vineyard who make present the kingdom continue Jesus' work here on earth.

THE ROSARY CRUSADE OF REPARATION

Saturday 14th October 2017

The crusade will once again take to the streets of London in honour of Our Lady in the month of the Holy Rosary. Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima. Led by Bishop John Keenan, Bishop of Paisley.

The procession follows a route from Westminster Cathedral to the Brompton Oratory which is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. At Fatima, Our Lady promised that her Immaculate Heart would triumph, but we must do our duty through prayer and sacrifice.

The Crusade will assemble at 1:45pm at Westminster Cathedral and will be finished by about 5.00pm. On arrival at the Oratory church, there will be rosary, hymns to Our Lady, a sermon, Solemn Benediction and the opportunity for enrolment in the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. See poster/leaflets for more details.

APF / MILL HILL RED BOXES

Empty Missio Red Boxes are now available for collection in the porch, along with the latest edition of Missio magazine, **Mission Today** is now available on the table in the porch. For more details please contact Greta Jeffreys Tel: 01494 722792.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is Friday 6th October 2017

This harvest Fast Day, we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training, and strong seeds. Please pick up a Fast Day envelope, fast this Friday and give what you can.

WE NEED MORE HELP! We *urgently* need more **helpers to clean** the Church on Friday mornings (or at another time, if that is more convenient to you). Could you spare just one hour once a month? We also need a **least two new teams** of two unrelated people to help count the offertory collection once a month after Sunday Mass, this takes approximately 40 minutes. Do you think you would be able to help? If so, please speak with Fr Andy

Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: Whose way is not fair, God's or ours? This is the question at the heart of the prophetic words from Ezekiel. Turn from wickedness to do what is right and just, the prophet instructs. God's way is fair, because God will save the life of a person who acts in this manner. Following the commandments leads to life, not death. Not following the commandments, which sometimes is our way and was the way of the Israelites, leads to death. Rephrase, the positive question of this reading is, Whose way is fair?

Responsorial Psalm 24: The author of the psalm prays that the Lord make his ways known. Together with the psalmist we pray to God for guidance in following God's ways of truth and justice. When we sin and fail to follow, we ask in the words of the psalm refrain for the Lord to remember his mercies.

Second Reading: Our attitude must match the attitude that is in Christ Jesus. Our mind is to be of the same mind as Christ Jesus. This is the essence of Paul's words to the Philippians. In Christ, humility, not selfishness, is our motivation. Christ's humility led to his exaltation. So, too, ours will lead us to life in God's glory.

Gospel: In Matthew, the parable of the two sons whom the father asks to work in his vineyard follows immediately after the authorities question Jesus about from where his authority for teaching in the temple comes. In this parable, one son tells his father he will not work, and then does. The other son says he will work, and then does not. Beginning with an "Amen," Jesus solemnly teaches that the first son, like tax collectors and prostitutes, and all those who change their mind, repent, and follow him with share in the Kingdom of God.

WALSINGHAM TRUST – DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The Walsingham Trust wishes to appoint a Development Officer who will be based within the newly established Development Office. The person appointed will work under the direction of the Executive Director of Development. This exciting new role offers an exceptional opportunity to help shape and develop an important area of work of the Trust. A full Job Description may be requested by email hr@walsingham.org.uk Applications made in writing need to be received by 5pm on Friday 6th October 2017. Interviews will be on Tuesday 17th October 2017. See poster.

"ROMERO – HEARTBEAT OF EL SALVADOR" is a new play by **RISE Theatre** which looks at the life and legacy of a man who chose to challenge those in power and stand up for social justice. The story of Blessed Oscar Romero and the people of El Salvador is brought to life with explosive energy and passion, accompanied by an original sound track and inspiring graffiti set design. Join us on Wednesday, 4 October at 7:30pm in St Joseph's Hall, Chalfont St Peter SL9 8RY. For booking information and tickets priced at £8 (£6 concessions), please contact the Parish Office on 01753 886581 or office@stjosephs.org.uk.

Money Matters

Last Week's Offertory Collection – £254.63

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY
CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY**

Thank you for your generosity

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The Diocese of Northampton newspaper is available. **It's free of charge!**

Are you new to the parish?

If so, you are very welcome! Do introduce yourself to Father Andy after Mass, and please complete a parish registration form.