

Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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Mass Intentions

Sat 12: Joey Glanville

Sun 13: David Tague

Mon 14: Parishioners

Tue 15: Nellie Hughes

Wed 16: Lesley Carruthers

Thu 17: Tony Macklin

Fri 18: David Tague

Sat 19: Maurice Cavanagh

Sun 20:

Usual Mass Times

Sunday	10.00
Monday	07:30
Tuesday	07:30
Wednesday	09.00
Thursday	07:30
Friday	09.00
Saturday (vigil)	18.00



Homily Notes

In Fatima last week, Pope Francis called on the Youth to make the Church a place of welcome: not a fortress holding back the dangers of secularism, behind locked doors, but an open Church, open to everyone, just as Christ welcomed everyone who came to him.

The Church is not a Church of the perfect, but of sinners, of those who recognise their need of forgiveness and mercy. Jesus Christ is that forgiveness and that mercy, which only God can give. We need Jesus if we wish to live a wholesome and joyful life.

On the plane back to Rome, Pope Francis insisted that everyone has a place in the church, without discrimination or exception.

This is how we want it to be in our community of disciples. If the Lord accepts each of us as we are and loves us as we are, surely, we too can do the same with each other. No pointing of fingers. If the Lord opens his arms to me, surely, I can open my arms to the other, no matter how different they are to me. We are all one in the One Lord.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the Mountain of God, in search of God, he found God in the quietness of a gentle breeze, that barely ruffled the hair of his head. If we take the time we need each day to be quiet in the Lord, quietly reading his Word or silently sitting in peace, emptying our mind of thoughts, we too will discover God. We will discover God, not only in that quiet moment of prayer, but in every encounter with another person. For the relationship we open to in prayer, will repeat itself in every encounter with another, whoever they may be. We will be open to the Spirit of God living in them. And we will welcome her with open hearts.

Terry

Sunday Thoughts

Some Quotes from Pope Francis' encounters with the Youth in Fatima.

To the students of the university in Lisbon :

Thank you, Tomás, for reminding us that "*an authentic integral ecology is not possible without God, that there can be no future in a world without God.*" In response, I would say: make your faith credible through your decisions. For unless faith gives rise to convincing lifestyles, it will not be a "leaven" in the world.

It is not enough for us Christians to be convinced; we must also be convincing. Our actions are called to reflect, joyfully and radically, the beauty of the Gospel.

Furthermore, Christianity cannot be lived as a fortress surrounded by high walls, one that raises the ramparts against the world. That is why I was moved by Beatriz's testimony. She said that it is precisely "within the field of culture" that she feels called to live the Beatitudes.

In every age, one of the most important tasks for Christians is to recover the meaning of the incarnation. Without the incarnation, Christianity becomes an ideology — and currently there is the temptation towards "Christian ideologies." Whereas the incarnation enables us to be amazed by the beauty of Christ revealed through every brother and sister, every man and woman.

At the Eucharist:

"There is room for everyone in the church and, whenever there is not, then, please, we must make room, including for those who make mistakes, who fall or struggle"

"The Lord does not point a finger but opens wide his arms: Jesus showed us this on the cross," Francis continued. "He does not close the door but invites us to enter; he does not keep us at a distance, but welcomes us."

"The Lord is clear," the pope said in reflecting on who is welcome in the church: "The sick, the elderly, the young, old, ugly, beautiful, good and bad."

Parish Notice Board

Parish Pilgrimage to WALSINGHAM 2024

If there is enough interest, we will organise a pilgrimage to **Walsingham** in April 2024.

The journey will be by coach, and we will stay 3 nights (Friday - Monday) on a half board basis. The approximate cost will be in the region of £250-£300.

If you are interested in going, please add your name to the poster at the back of the church, or speak to Margaret Hastie, Andrea Glanville or Marie Crane. Once we establish if there is sufficient interest and numbers, places will be secured with a £10 deposit.

NEEDED

Eucharistic ministers, welcomers at the door, readers, choristers and musicians, Mass Servers, slide-projector operators, cleaners, catechists to prepare baptism and marriage, Justice and Peace Group members, Tuesday Café volunteers.

Lottery Results – 6th August

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Jackpot now £650

OFFERINGS 6th August

Envelopes: £ 24.00

Plate: £ 195.13

Many thanks to you all

Sacrament of Reconciliation on demand

Please pray for our fellow missionaries who have been kidnapped in Nigeria. Along with **Fr Ha-Jo Lohre**, taken in Mali in November 2023, 3 members of our Society of Missionaries of Africa are now in captivity.

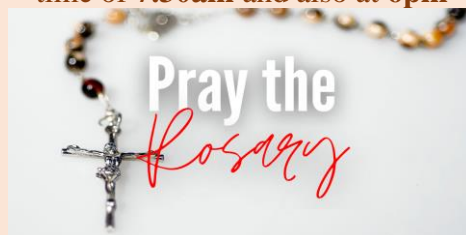
Let us pray for **Fr. Paul Sanogo and Seminarian Dominic Merikiory Mahinini**, now hostages and two other confreres who were seriously beaten by the aggressor, but not taken. Let us pray for the people of the SAHEL region who live in great insecurity and are subject to horrendous and murderous violence at the hands of terrorists and so-called "Islamists".

May God's peace reign.

The Feast of the Assumption of Mary into heaven

is a holy day.

Mass will be at the usual mid-week time of **7.30am** and also at **6pm**



The funeral of
ELIZABETH BRAY,
of 8 Carmarthen Crescent, L8,
who died on 26 July 2023,
aged 74 years,
will take place in this church on
Wednesday 16th August
at 2pm
We extend our sympathy to her
surviving children and
grandchildren and all her family.
May she rest in peace.

Prayer for Peace

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one...

Bring healing to our lives that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Encourage us, we pray in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Adapted by Pax Christi, from Laudato Si, Pope Francis 2015)

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Lorraine ALLEN, Stefan ASHTON, Natasha BAKER, Patricia BRIDGE, Christopher BROWNE, Emma DOLAN, Daisy Marcia DUNN, Chelsie CAMPBELL, Joe EDIE, Jean ENNIS, Bobby ENWRIGHT, Baby FRANKIE, Lenny GINLEY, Irene GREEN, , Mary HOWARD, Edie JONES, Frances KERWIN, Maureen MAGUIRE, Jane MANN, May McGARRY, Eddie McKENNA, Elizabeth MORRIS, Peter O'BRIEN, Ava RUDZINSKI, Eileen SALTERS, Martina STEWARD, Jean TAYLOR, Mary TUIITE, Pauline WALSH, Joanne WILCOCK, Camila WILD.

Also, for the intentions of: Anne BAXTER, Ryan EDWARDS, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Beverley HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madelaine M'CANN, Ann MOORE, Joan MOORE, Susan MORSELLINO, MURRAY & STEVENSON Family, Skylar REID, Maureen RICE, Sarah Jane, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, Cath WILSON.

Those who have died recently: Elizabeth BRAY, Valerie WARREN

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