**Newsletter for the week commencing 14th July 2024**

**Fifteenth Sunday (B)**

**Entrance antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.**

**First Reading: Amos 7: 12-15**

**Psalm 84 Response: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.**

**Second Reading:  The letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 1: 3-14**

**Acclamation:  Alleluia, alleluia! Your word are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life.  Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Mark 6: 7-13**

**Communion antiphon:  The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.**

**Father Behr writes:**

Dear Parishioners,

There are many beautiful Catholic churches and shrines to visit in the UK.

One of my favourite places to visit is the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. It has a fascinating history and a great atmosphere. You can find out more about the shrine by visiting this website.

[https://www.walsingham.org.uk](https://www.walsingham.org.uk/)

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Pilgrim-Guide-2024-Website.pdf?mc_cid=b06b497463>

The ‘Prayer for England’ is prayed daily in Walsingham and it is a prayer I highly recommend. It was composed by Cardinal Wiseman.

*O Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our most gentle Queen and Mother, look down in mercy upon England, Thy Dowry, and upon all of us who greatly hope and trust in Thee. By Thee it was that Jesus, our Saviour and our hope was given unto the world; and He has given Thee to us that we might hope still more. Plead for us Thy children whom Thou did receive and accept at the foot of the Cross O sorrowful Mother.*

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*Intercede for our separated brethren, that with us in the one true fold we may all be united under the chief shepherd of Christ's flock, and that by faith and fruitful in good works we may all deserve to see and praise God together with Thee, in our heavenly home. Amen.*

Do let me know what your favourite church or shrine is.

**Fr Behr**

**Your Prayers are asked for: Carmen Ines Antaki RIP; Eugene Hughes RIP; Jacqueline Dyde RIP.**

**Those ill or infirm:** PaulLane, Mara McDermot, June Munton, Ailish Cantwell (Jones), Sylwia Dorosz, Joe Adams, Ellie Lawrence, Patricia Hook, Josie Payne, Pat Holland and all those who are unwell and in need of our prayers.

**Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time**: William Buck, Esther Tickner, Ivor Corbett, Maisie Strivens and Mary Cowley.

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| **This week’s services (13th – 20th July),**  **Feasts and Mass intentions during the week.** | |
| **Saturday 13th July**  St Mildred, Abbess | No public Mass am  10.30 -11.00 am Confession  6.00 pm Vigil Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Pat** |
| **Sunday 14th July**  **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY (B) Sea Sunday** | 10.00 am Mass   *David Colquhoun Wellbeing*               **Reader: Brian**  12.00 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Monday 15th July**  St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church | 10.00 am Mass *Marcelle and Family* |
| **Tuesday 16th July**  Our Lady of Mount Carmel | 10.00 am Mass *Donor’s Intention* |
| **Wednesday 17th July**Feria | 10.00 am Mass – Herve Janes Baptism *Madeline Janes RIP* |
| **Thursday 18th July**  Feria | 9.00 am-10am Adoration  10.00 am Mass *McKinnon Family* |
| **Friday 19th July**  Feria | 10.00 am Mass *Intentions of Jesus and Mary*  10.30 – 11.30 am Adoration |
| **Saturday 20th July**  St Appolinaris, Bishop & Martyr | No public Mass am  10.30 -11.00 am Confession  6.00 pm Vigil Mass *Mary Cowley RIP R IP* **Reader: Liz** |
| **Sunday 21st July**  **SISTEENTH SUNDAY (B)** | 10.00 am Mass *People of the Paris*  **Reader: Frances**  12.00 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Flowers: for Saturday 20th / Sunday 21st July: Hilary** | |

**Baptism of Joseph Colquhoun.**

This Sunday 14 July at the 10am Mass Joseph Colquhoun will be baptised. Congratulations to Andrew, Jan, Isaac and Samuel. Please stay for refreshments after Mass and an opportunity to congratulate the Colquhoun family.

**Congratulations to Herve Janes.**

He will be Baptised and received into full communion with the Church on Wednesday July 17 at the 10.00 am Mass.

**Confession.**

Fr Behr is available for Confession every Saturday from 10.30 am – 11.00 am. He is also happy to visit those who are not able to come to church.

**Children’s Liurny. Liturny.**

Children’s Liturgy at the 10.00 am Mass is on the first Sunday of every month. All children who have not made their First Holy Communion are welcome to attend.  The next lesson with Lorraine is Sunday 1st September.

**Collection for Peter’s Pence** totalled £186. 81. Thank you.

**Altar Servers Trip to Westminster Pastoral Centre.**

Summertime 2024: 29th July – 1st August: £189. For aged 11-16. We commend this excellent residential trip for altar servers and those who regularly attend mass on the weekend. In an event that has now gone on for more than 20 years, it is a few days for deepening one’s catholic faith, in a great social atmosphere, including football, sports and visit to Thorpe Park. For more details of how to get to the venue, with a coach laid on at St. Anselm’s Dartford, see your parish priest for a form, or contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of Saint Stephen.  [Dartford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:Dartford@rcaos.org.uk), Tel:01322 220075.

**A pastoral reflection on gender.**

The English and Welsh bishops have issued a document, which is worth reading and passing on to those who have questions about the issues.  <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/bishops-issue-pastoral-reflection-on-gender/>

**Southwark Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage.**

Archbishop John warmly invites you to join him as he leads the, from 23rd to 30th August 2024. Details of this can be found on the Archdiocesan website: [rcaos.org.uk](http://rcaos.org.uk). Experience the unique spirituality of Lourdes, along with people from parishes around the Archdiocese.

**The Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly:**

This will take place on Sunday 28th July and is themed “*Do not cast me off in my old age”,*(cf. Psalm 71:9).

**Sea Sunday.**

This falls on 14th July this year, let us pray for seafarers, fishers, and the work of Stella Maris. Let us remember especially those seafarers who are sailing through conflict zones and those who have been abandoned in distant lands. To find out more about Sea Sunday, please visit: <https://stellamaris.org.uk/seasunday/>

To donate to Stella Maris, please go to: <https://stellamaris.org.uk/donate/>

**Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life, Walsingham Saturday 3rd August 2024.**

This marks the 40th anniversary of this pilgrimage to Walsingham. This year, it will be led by Bishop David Oakley, Bishop of Northampton. Forty years-ago, only one coach departed from London; today, coaches travel to Walsingham from many parts of England, with pilgrims numbering between 800 to 1,400 each year.  Those unable to travel to Walsingham can join the pilgrimage online via this link: [youtube.com/c/WalsinghamCatholicTV](http://youtube.com/c/WalsinghamCatholicTV)

**The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina at Aylesford Priory,**Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 26 August 2024 from 10.00 am to 4:30 pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more information**.**

**A Lifeline for Marriage!**

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?  Has your marriage become stressed, unloving, cold?

Do you argue often?  Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, or are you thinking about it?  Do you want to try again?

The Retrouveille programme may be just what you need!

For more information phone or text: 07887 296983 or 07973 380443

Email: [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com)

Website: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/)

Complete confidentiality assured.

**Diaconal Day.**

On Sunday 14 July we are celebrating our first Archdiocesan Diaconal Day, during which we pray for the Permanent Deacons serving in our Archdiocese as well as we pray for the new vocations to this ministry. If you are a man between 21 years to 58 years, prayerful, with the desire to love God and God's people, you are involved in services within your parish and community, you have tried many things and still feel drawn to a closer relationship with Christ and His Church you might possibly be called to be a Permanent Deacon? If you require further information about the Permanent Diaconate, please speak to your Parish Priest, (the Parish Deacon, if there is one), or contact the Diaconate Formation Director via e-mail: [ianblack@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ianblack@rcaos.org.uk).

**Minster Abbey Retreat.**

The retreat is 22nd-26th July, for young adults aged 18-35. It is open to Christian women and men who would like to pray and work alongside the community. It will be self-catering with payment by donation. We are a 5-minute walk from the train station.

If you have any queries about the retreat, please feel free to email Sister Walburga [minsternuns@gmail.com](mailto:minsternuns@gmail.com).

**Walking Pilgrimage Sunday 21 July.**

Canterbury to Ramsgate. Contact [marianpilgrims@gmail.com](mailto:marianpilgrims@gmail.com) for more details.

**Tenterden Christian Breakfast hosted in our own Parish Centre.**

We are pleased to invite you to join us for Breakfast on Saturday 20th July.

This Breakfast is open to all*.* Time: 8.15 for an 8.30 am start Finish at 10.00 am. Venue: St Andrew's Parish Centre. Enjoy a cooked breakfast and good fellowship.

Bishop Rose is unable to join us as she due to have an operation. However, we are absolutely delighted to welcome Jeanette Kennett as our guest speaker and look forward to hearing her. Please book your place by Friday 12th July at the latest so we can confirm numbers with our caterers. Please email Chris Cheesman to book your place: [chris@thecheesmans.plus.com](mailto:chris@thecheesmans.plus.com). Vegetarian and Gluten Free Options are available. Cost £10 payable on the day. On behalf of the organising committee: Freddy Farias, Martin Giles, Jolyon Vickers, Lindsay Hammond

**Thanks for all the offers of help to set up at 4:30 on Friday 19th, to attend and to serve and clear up on the 20th, much appreciated, Jolyon.**