

# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. WILLIAM OF YORK

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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) 17 JULY 2022

#### **Dear Parishioners**

As we enter the last week of the academic year, I am sure everyone is waiting for the summer break.

I am sure that at both our schools (St William of York and St Francesca Cabrini) this year, students have been nurtured, educated, gained wisdom and knowledge, formed friendships and enduring relationships, grown in faith, in hope, and in love.

Our thanks and prayers go to all of you who work in our schools, for everything you do for our children. We thank the teaching staff and assistants, cleaners, cooks, dinner ladies, caretakers and volunteers who give so much throughout the school year.

Thank you also for the great and important good communication between the schools and the parish — in all areas of parish and school life always for putting at heart the interest of our students and their parents. The parish community also appreciates your hard work in this still challenging year, all your efforts to bring the Catholic life of our schools to the pre-pandemic level.

I pray that you will all have a happy, restful, safe and enjoyable summer break and a safe return.

**God Bless** 

Fr Habte

#### **TODAY'S READINGS -**

Genesis 18:1-10, Colossians 1:24-28, Luke 10:38-42

#### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

Martha and Mary have become classic figures in the Church representing two different styles of life, the active and the contemplative vocation, an active apostolate or a life of prayer. Carried to an extreme, this opposition is, of course, merely silly. No active apostolate can thrive unless it grows out of a life of prayer, for we cannot draw others to the knowledge and love of a God whom we do not ourselves know and love. Nor can a life of prayer be genuine unless it leads to care for others and concern for the salvation of all those whom the Lord loves. Even a strictly enclosed community cannot claim to be a part of Christ's body unless its fabric is one of love and concern for all the members, and especially those in need, the elderly, the sick and the young. In fact, Jesus does not present any such choice between two different religious ways of life. His speech is always in terms of absolutes. He does not use comparatives; he says that Mary has chosen not 'the better' (as our translation has it) but 'the good' part (as the Greek has it). Any 'good' life must be founded on listening devotedly to the Lord and responding to what we have heard.

How important a part does listening to the Lord play in my life as a Christian?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS -**

Genesis 18:20-32, Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11:1-13

#### MASS on WEDNESDAY 20 JULY at 10.30am

Mass will be at 10.30am and is a Thanksgiving Mass for SWOY school leavers and Fr Habte's 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination.

There will be no 9.30am Mass that day.

**FATHER HABTE'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD** on Friday 22nd July 2022 at 7pm Mass followed by a reception in the school hall at St William of York. All parishioners are invited to this thanksgiving celebration.

#### **SEA SUNDAY 10TH JULY - 2nd Collection**

Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris Chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk



#### **DIOCESAN VACANCY - FINANCIAL CONTROLLER**

The Archdiocese is looking to recruit a Diocesan Financial Controller to ensure the efficient management of diocesan finances. Reporting to the Finance Director & responsible for managing and developing a small team. Starting salary £60-£65k

The ideal candidate will be CIMA, ACCA or ACA qualified (or equivalent) and highly experienced in a senior finance role within a not-for-profit or corporate organisation of reasonable size. Excellent communication and relationship skills at all levels are essential, as are IT skills, especially in financial systems (AiQ an advantage) and Excel. The ideal candidate will have a flexible approach with the ability to be responsive to change

This is a full-time position based in Bowen House in London SE1, but we could also offer some flexibility to work from home.

Starting salary £60,000 - £65,000 depending on skills and experience. To apply please email your CV to <a href="https://example.com/hR@rcaos.org.uk">HR@rcaos.org.uk</a> by 18th July 2022.

For further details visit: <a href="https://t.co/j1et3Cg7m7">https://twitter.com/rc\_southwark/status/1547188657454456832?</a> s=27&t=18CEIrJETL36Si108sAWsA

#### **PASSING ON THE FAITH AS GRANDPARENTS**

What practical steps can we take and what sort of conversations can we have which will help anchor our grandchildren's faith?

Four online sessions starting August 3, 7:30 – 9pm.

Email Lisette on <a href="mailto:mflse@rcaos.org.uk">mflse@rcaos.org.uk</a>

**GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST** weekend for those who are in mourning. Emotions out of control feeling at a loss, this weekend is a time for you. A space for you. Aylesford Priory 7-9th October.

For enquiries please telephone Aylesford Priory 01622 717272

#### ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON VISIT TO PARISH

Archbishop John Wilson will be visiting our parish on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September, the main purpose of his visit is to meet our parishioners, therefore, we will have only one Mass at 10:30am followed by refreshments in the school hall. The Archbishop will be staying with us up to 2pm to meet as many parishioners as possible.

The Archbishop is the chief shepherd of his diocese, therefore it is one of his main duties to visit the parishes and meet the faithful.

Archbishop John is very keen to meet our parishioners, please save this day in your diary and try to come and meet him.

#### POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

As the Church gears up to celebrate the 2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on 24 July, Pope Francis is calling on Catholics to pray throughout the month for the elderly. His July prayer request comes on the heels of last month's intention for families, and was accompanied



by The Pope Video. "We cannot speak about family without talking about the importance of the elderly among us," said the Pope in the video, tying the two prayer intentions together.

#### **MASS ATTENDEES**

25/26 June - 428 2/3 July - 223 9/10 July - 200

#### **PARISH DIARY**

Sunday 17 July 17:00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	Church
Tuesday 19 July 20:00	RCIA/Journey in Faith Session	Lower Hall
Wednesday 20 July 20:00	Singing Practice	Church
Friday 22 July 19:00	Thanksgiving Mass for Fr Habte's 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination Reception	Church School Hall
Saturday 23 July 09:15	Instrumentalists	Church

### Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Souls of

#### **ANTHONY JAMES WARNER**

(son of Anne and John Warner)

#### FREDDIE JOHN FOWLER

(grandson of Anthony & great grandson of Anne & John)

Anthony was born and grew up in the Parish, he was an altar server and attended St William of York school.

Anthony recently died unexpectedly in the USA.

Freddie died recently in Ashford, Kent soon after birth.

#### **FR TONY LOGAN**

Fr Tony was from Forest Hill (was in the youth club with Rita Tildesley). He was also Deacon at the consecration of the church in 1964. <a href="https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/father-anthony-logan/">https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/father-anthony-logan/</a>

#### **ROSE CALVER**

(mother of Mary Thompson parish secretary)
Funeral on Wednesday 27 July at 12pm at Holy Cross Catholic Church
208 Sangley Road, Catford, SE6 2JS, Committal at Hither Green
Refreshments in the parish hall

Mary would be pleased if parishioners from SWOY are able to join the family on 27th as she truly appreciates the care and kindness in recent years relating to her mother's wellbeing and all the love and support shown since her mother's death.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen



#### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Saturday 16 July 2022 - Feria

**18:00** For the Parishioners

Sunday 17 July 2022

**9:30** Christine Houlihan

**11:30** Sue Hepworth RIP

Monday 18 July 2022 - Feria

09:30 Thomas O'Neill RIP

Tuesday 19 July 2022 - Feria

**09:30** Ivan Charles RIP 8th Anniversary

Wednesday 20 July 2022 - Feria

**10:30** Thanksgiving for SWOY leavers & Fr Habte's Silver Jubilee

Thursday 21 July 2022 - Feria

**9:30** John Leonard RIP 3rd Anniversary

Friday 22 July 2022 - St. Mary Magdalene

**9:30** Frances Ellis

**19:00** Thanksgiving for Fr Habte's 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

Saturday 23 July 2022 - St Bridget

10:30 Colin Murgatroyd RIP

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Saturday 23 July 2022 - Feria

**18:00** Isabella Gerges

Sunday 24 July 2022

**9:30** Mary Agnes O'Connor RIP Birthday

**11:30** For the Parishioners

Please access the live streaming by visiting:

www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/

**Reconciliations - Saturday 11-12 noon**