



# CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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Parish Office Open: Tues – Fri, 10am – 2pm

## SUNDAY MASS

9am, 10.30am (Children's Liturgy), 12 noon (sung) & 6pm, Vigil Mass – Saturday 6pm

## WEEKDAY MASS

Please see overleaf for times and intentions

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10.30 – 11am, 5.15 – 5.45pm

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION** Sat 10.30 – 11.30am

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 04 JULY 2010

### READINGS at MASS

**Today :** Isaiah 66:10-14, Psalm 65  
Galatians 6:14-18, Luke 10:1-12. 17-20  
**Next Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday of the Year**  
Deuteronomy 30:10-14, Psalm 68  
Colossians 1:15-20, Luke 10:25-37

## THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Today's scene must have looked like something of a biblical 'campaign trail'. Jesus sends seventy disciples ahead of him to every town and place where he himself intends to go presumably to prepare the way. The message that God's kingdom could be a reality for all of us needs to be publicised. "I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves," Jesus says. He knows that his teaching would face stiff opposition. Was the world ready for the teaching of life everlasting delivered by the son of a carpenter?

Nowadays we imagine that the need to promote God's plan is unnecessary, after all, there must be few on the planet who haven't heard of Jesus. But if the task of spreading Jesus' message was done and dusted, why in the twenty-first century do we still have poverty, war, shortages of health care and racism? It's clear that we still need to man the campaign trail as much today as in the days of those first missionaries.

Today's gospel gives us some basic practical advice on how we should champion Jesus' mission. Jesus gives his early disciples some words of practical advice. They must travel light, rely on the hospitality of others and walk away from those who reject the teaching. Today the advice to us might be similar. Perhaps Jesus would advise us to set aside the things in life that burden or distract us, and to know our target audience. We should concentrate on imparting Jesus' teaching of peace on today's world undeterred by setback or rejection, enlisting the help of those who can help us most.

One of our greatest problems today, is that Christianity is often seen as something a little 'oddball'. We only have to look at how Christians are depicted in our soaps to know this. Meanwhile programmes delivering genuine Christian messages are relegated to early Sunday morning slots or TV channels we tend not to tune into. Today's messages of self-interest and 'because you're worth it' generated by a consumer society grow louder and louder whilst Christ's message of selflessness grows quieter and quieter. Our attempts to solve the world's great ills can often seem ineffectual ... futile even. But in hindsight, today's gospel poses very interesting possibilities. Seventy disciples went out to prepare the way for Jesus taking nothing with them but the message of peace. Two thousand years down the ages, and it's all credit to those early disciples that Jesus' message has survived. The task of evangelisation is just as daunting today as it ever was, but armed with the internet, Facebook, budget publishing, television, radio and countless campaign agencies with which we can involve ourselves, perhaps all we need is Jesus' advice and the will to succeed.

**PARISH PICNIC** – following on from the success of last year, the Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July after the 12 noon Mass, at Highbury Fields, next to the tennis court. Please bring food to share, your blankets, chairs, etc and have a fun day for all.

**RCIA** – thinking of becoming a Catholic? Or do you know someone who may be interested in becoming a Catholic. The next preparatory course will start in the Autumn, but in the meantime, we are holding an evening for those who would like to learn more about becoming a Catholic, to ask questions and to meet those who will be leading the course. It will take place at the Presbytery (39 Duncan Terrace, the house to the left of the church) at 7.30pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July. If you would like any further information please contact David Lester on 020 7250 0513 or email [davidlester51@btinternet.com](mailto:davidlester51@btinternet.com) Please do come and join us!

**SEA SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JULY** - next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church remembers all those who live and work at sea. This year is also 'The Year of the Seafarer', and so is a very important year for Apostleship of the Sea and seafarers. There will be a second collection taken up at all Masses.

**ADVANCE NOTICE** – Sunday Mass times during **August** will be: (Saturday Vigil 6pm), Sunday 9:30am, 11:30am & 6pm.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6pm(Sat) P.J. Griffin RIP  
9am Richie McDonagh RIP  
10:30am For Parishioners  
12noon Emanuel Pospiech RIP  
6pm Finbarr Brown RIP

#### MONDAY – Feria

**\*\*10am Funeral Mass of Alan Foley RIP\*\***

#### TUESDAY – Feria

10am John Okolo RIP

#### WEDNESDAY – Feria

10am Terry & Phyllis Dillon RIP (Anniv)

#### THURSDAY – Feria

**\*\*10am Funeral Mass of John Taylor RIP\*\***

#### FRIDAY – Feria

10am Mrs Ann Foley RIP

#### SATURDAY – Feria

10am Maria Parolin RIP & Louisa Kiefnes RIP  
6pm Mary O'Hara RIP

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9am Rosaleen Buckley RIP (Anniv)  
10:30am For Parishioners  
12noon Maria Gasparro RIP (Anniv)  
6pm Mrs Anna Amasinti RIP

### REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

**Rest in Peace** – please pray for those who died recently, especially Owen Henry, Alan Foley, John Taylor, John Felon, John Okolo, Mary Geary, Mandy Mayes, Baby Darragh, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time, Mrs Gisele Martial and Silvia Hanato.

**Healing** – please pray for parishioners and their relatives/friends who are ill especially, Michael Ball, Lucy Bergonzi, Gabrielle, Amy Louise Green, Christiana Okonji, Nichola Biggs, Lisa Wilson, Inez Schiavi, Margaret Kennedy, Margery Trotter, George Carrington-Johnson, Stefan Dabeesing, Joanne Matthias, Alf Carr, Kim Riley, Adriano Grazioli, Helen Grace Mboma, Rose Walsh, Paolo Mercantini, Jean Kennedy, Tony Lonergan, David Travers, Florence Irons, Robin & Collette Good, Kitty Parker, Christy McHugh, Mary Gibbons, Anne Sarling, Esther O'Driscoll, Barbara Watkins, Marie Richardson, Peter Shaw, Lisa Grigg, Bridie McLoughlin, Joseph Matthew, John Hanway, Winifred MacAuley, Juliette Uibopuu, Harry Perkins, Con Enright, Bro John Ogivie, Mrs Bridie Davey, J.Lavelle, Marist Brother, Alicia Graham, Iris Mulvany and Luciano Vandelli.

### Prayer for the Papal Visit to the UK 16<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> September 2010

God of truth and love,  
Your Son, Jesus Christ, stands as the light to all who seek you with a sincere heart.

As we strive with your grace to be faithful in word and deed,  
May we reflect the kindly light of Christ and offer a witness of hope and peace to all.

We pray for Pope Benedict

And look forward with joy to his forthcoming visit to our countries.

May he be a witness to the unity and hope which is your will for all people.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Our Lady, Mother for the Church – Pray for us.

St Andrew – Pray for us.

St George – Pray for us.

St David – Pray for us.

**HOLY COMMUNION** – DVDs are in the office for collection.

**LOTTERY WINNER FOR JUNE** – no 34 Shobha George.

*Congratulations!*

**APF BOXES** – thank you to everyone for their continued support. If you would like to sign up for a box and we are looking for someone to take over from us the counting of boxes please get in touch with Mike Crowson on 020 7609 5928. Please collect your boxes from the church.

**BOOKKEEPER REQUIRED** – for St John the Evangelist Church. Please see notice board for all the details.

**TRIP TO SOUTHEND-ON-SEA** – Coach booked for Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July leaving at 9.30am. Places for 53 persons age 50+Cost £10 each.

### FINANCES

Sun 27 June: Envelopes: £601.50 Loose: £430.49  
Thank You

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** – the next session for parents with babies for baptism will be on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July and 13<sup>th</sup> July** at 7.30pm in the church. Godparents are welcome too!

**BAPTISM** – we welcome our new parishioners who will be baptised today Sunday:

Charlotte Olivia Alger, Georgina Gloria Rose Hedderson, Octavio Augusto Roberts and Xanteh Augusto Roberts.

**GRAND SUMMER DRAW** – the Parish Picnic will be on July 11<sup>th</sup> 2010 at Highbury Fields, next to the tennis court. The Grand Summer Draw will take place at the picnic and tickets will be available for sale on the day. Thanks for your support.p

**LONDON CARRIBEAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY** – invites you to THE ALL LONDON CARIBBEAN PILGRIMAGE and Memorial to Fr Charles Gailard to Aylesford Priory on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August Solemn Mass at 12 noon and Rosary and Benediction at 3.30pm. More details on the **notice board** in the Vestibule.

**LA SAINTE UNION CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL: Specialist Science College with Maths.** For September 2010, there is the possibility of a small number of places in Year 8 and 10. If you are interested in a place for your daughter, please contact Mrs Pauline O'Brien at the school, for an application form.

**A DAY WITH MARY** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July at Our Lady Help of Christians, Lady Margaret Road, NW5 and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July at Church of Mary, Mother of God, Ponders End.

**PRAY TOGETHER ISLINGTON** – the next PTI will be led by Nigel at Canonbury Community Baptist Church at 7.30am on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July.

**YOUNG ADULTS IN THE WEST RETREAT DAY** – join Bishop Alan at St Jude's Shrine, Faversham on 24<sup>th</sup> July. To book call 020 7798 9357 email [davidburke@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:davidburke@rcdow.org.uk)

**FRENCH LESSONS** – for children and adults by experienced and qualified French teacher. Call Marie-Paule on 07900 603 103.

**ENGLISH CLASSES** – St Mellitus Church, Tollington Park, N4 3AG. Ten minutes walk from Finsbury Park Station. Free classes from 10am to 12 noon on Fridays in school term time. Contact Jan on 020 8888 5518.

**ITALIAN LESSONS** – by experienced Italian Native, qualified lecturer. Call Antonia on 020 7490 0829.