



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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

27 JUNE 2010

READINGS at MASS

Today : 1 Kings 19:6.19-21, Psalm 15
Galatians 5:13-18, Luke 9:51-62

Next Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

Isaiah 66:10-14, Psalm 65
Galatians 6:14-18, Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

HOLLOW INTENTIONS

Jesus isn't short of would-be disciples each eager to accompany him on the road to Jerusalem. The trouble is, they all have things they want to do first, like burying their dead or saying goodbye to their families. Jesus is exasperated. "No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the Kingdom of God," he tells them. Once a commitment has been made nothing else should come first. Is Jesus being totally unreasonable? It's not as though the would-be disciples were asking for a month's notice from their current employment, they were simply asking to bid their families farewell!

Today we are the would-be disciples. Jesus asks us to set about the urgent work of liberating sinners, alleviating the suffering of the poor and the sick, and spreading God's love. We are eager to get to work, but there are a few 'must-do' jobs we have to do first. We have to pay the television licence, mow the lawn, decorate the spare bedroom, do the tax return, book the car in for it's MOT, arrange the baby's second birthday party, take the cat to the vet, catch up with all that admin' we've brought home from work, defrost the freezer, hang out the washing, do the food shopping, fit the children out with new school uniforms, dispute the water bill and change the library books. With so many pressing jobs perhaps discipleship is a job we can squeeze in when we have a spare moment. Perhaps if we can squeeze in the odd donation to an aid agency, or sign an online petition in support of a worthy campaign we will keep God happy. Perhaps the urgent job of creating God's Kingdom on earth can wait until tomorrow, or the day after the day after that. Is it any wonder that Jesus can sound a little exasperated? Jesus needs disciples that understand hardship, and can respond with urgency and immediacy. The last thing Jesus wants is good, but hollow intentions.

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE – today Sunday 27th June.

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

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 12th July. If you would like any further information please contact David Lester on 020 7250 0513 or email davidlester51@btinternet.com please do come and join us!

"GRAND DRAW" DEAR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S – one of the fundraising events that we have planned to raise money for the restoration, is a Grand Draw. Tickets will be attached to each newsletter this weekend. There are 10 tickets in a booklet costing £1 per ticket or £10 for a whole book. If you can sell more than one booklet that would be great and you can get more booklets for sale at the parish office. If we can get this right then that could be a major contribution to the restoration fund. Please help as much as you can.

PARISH PARTY – the Annual Parish Part will be on Sunday 27th June after the 12 noon Mass. There will be **NO MASS AT 10:30am on the 27th**. Everyone is invited to bring some refreshments for the party. A sign-up sheet for your contributions is available this week.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6pm(Sat) P.J. Griffin RIP
9am Raymond Kelly RIP

No 10:30 Mass

12noon Mrs Tracey Perella RIP
6pm For Parishioners

MONDAY – St Irenaeus, Bishop & Martr

10am HOLY SOULS

TUESDAY – SS Peter & Paul, Apostles

10am Julia & Michael Ford RIP (Anniv)

WEDNESDAY – Feria

10am P.J. Griffin RIP

THURSDAY – Dedication of the Cathedral

10am Margaret Langon RIP

FRIDAY – Feria

10am Peter Hughes RIP (Anniv)

SATURDAY – Feria

10am Samuel Keith Fitzgerald RIP
6pm P.J. Griffin RIP

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9am Richie McDonagh RIP
10:30am For Parishioners
12noon Emanuel Pospiech RIP
6pm Finbar Brown RIP

Prayer for the Papal Visit to the UK 16th -19th 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.

ST JOHN'S LOTTERY CLUB – we have 31 slots available for the lottery. Would you like to sign up?

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.

PARISH PICNIC – following on from the success of last year, the Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday 11th 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 today for all.

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

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Rest in Peace – please pray for those who died recently, especially 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 Ogievie, Mrs Bridie Davey, J.Lavelle, Marist Brother, Alicia Graham, Iris Mulvany and Luciano Vandelli.

FINANCES

Sun 20 June: Envelopes: £543.05 Loose: £605.70

Homeless: £17.66

Thank You

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

PRAY TOGETHER ISLINGTON – the next PT1 will be led by Nigel at Canonbury Community Baptist Church at 7.30am on Thursday 24th June and Thursday 24th July.

CELEBRATING UGANDA MARTYRS DAY – Mass will be celebrated on the Feast of the Uganda Martyrs on Sunday 27th June at 3.00pm, at St Gabriel's Parish, 15 St John's Villas, Upper Holloway, N19. Main celebrant will be Bishop John Baptist Kaggwa of Masaka Diocese, Uganda.

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

YOUNG ADULTS IN THE WEST RETREAT DAY – join Bishop Alan at St Jude's Shrine, Faversham on 24th July. To book call 020 7798 9357 email 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.