

MASSES AND SERVICES

28th July – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	5.30pm	Mary Goldsworthy RIP (T&J T)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Margaret Bixby RIP (DB)

Weekday Services

29.7 Mon	10.00am	Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus Mike Davey RIP (PD)
30.7 Tue	10.00am	Feria Lawrence Murray RIP (JM)
	6.00pm	Vigil Service :Reception of the body
31.7 Wed	12noon	Requiem Mass Tessa Waters RIP
1.8 Thu	10.00am	St Alphonsus Mary de'Liguori Alice Mary Cross Int (FrJ)
2.8 Fri	10.00am	Feria Tessa Waters RIP (ML)
3.8 Sat	10.00am	Our Lady on Saturday Sean Collins & Family Int (AA)

4th August – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	5.30pm	Fr Brian McGinley Int (HG)
Sunday	8.45am	Denis & Catherine Moroney RIP (EMB)
	10.30am	People of the Parish

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	M Wilkes	P Wilkes
Next week	D Morgan	P Hogan

READERS

	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	T/J Taylor	G O'Gara	R Slaters
Next week	J Musgrave	E Moroney Barnett	J McDonald

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

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**ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC
CHURCH
DORRIDGE**

**28th July 2024
17th Sunday of the Year**

Dear Parishioners,

We haven't received any postcards – I expect they are all in the post!

On **Sunday 28 July** Catholics around the world will be invited to take time to reflect on the great heritage and wisdom passed on by their grandparents and the elderly. The Pope has chosen the theme: *“Do not cast me off in my old age”* (cf. Psalm 71:9), *“to call attention to the fact that, sadly, loneliness is the bitter lot in life of many elderly persons, so often the victims of the throw-away culture.”* In his message, Pope Francis will draw on the verse from Psalm 71 that depicts the plea of an elderly person who reflects on the story of their friendship with God.

Pope Francis ends his reflection: *“To all of you, dear grandparents and elderly persons, and to all those who are close to you I send my blessing, accompanied by my prayers. And I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me.”* *Franciscus*

For more information on this see the Diocesan website.

This weekend the Paris Olympics begins the competition for excellence in sport. As an armchair sportsman myself I shall be looking forward to the excitement. I always think of the words of St Paul I have run the race to the finish. The modern founder of the Olympics, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, said, *“The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not winning but taking part: the essential thing in life is not conquering but fighting well”*. As a great armchair sportsman these are also my sentiments entirely.

Every Blessing,
Fr John

The annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, will take place on Sunday 1 September 2024. This year the principal celebrant will be The Right Reverend Paul Gunter OSB, Abbot of Douai Abbey. Mass: 3.00pm. Confessions: 1.45pm – 2.30pm. It is essential that you bring your own chairs and packed lunch.

Have you registered as a parishioner of this parish? Or have you changed your phone, address or email details. Help us to keep our records up to date. Forms in narthex.

March for Life 2024

Come and join the thousands walking in the annual **UK March For Life in central London on Saturday 7th September 2024.**

Day-return coach trip, leaving **St Dunstan's**, King's Heath (pick-up Institute Rd) at 7.40am, and **St Augustine's**, Solihull (pick-up Herbert Rd) at 8.00am returning for 7.30/45 pm. Adults £25: Youngsters under 16 £12.50. Seats reserved on payment. Contact Brian Healy on Mob: 07726311261.

😊 😊 😊 Someone asked me: "Do you know any rope jokes?" I answered, "I'm a frayed knot."

- Waiting for a bone marrow transplant a patient learns the donor is from Argentina. Following a successful operation, the patient writes to thank him. "Dear Diego, marrow donor."
- I've been running a group for depressed clairvoyants. Every week it is either completely empty or oversubscribed. We just can't seem to find a happy medium.
- I met a lumberjack in the pub last night. He was a lovely feller.
- Did you hear Buckingham Palace is renting out Prince Harry's old apartment. It is advertised on Heir B&B.
- We went on honeymoon to Croatia. After a few of days we decided we were going to Split.
- Doctor, Doctor I keep thinking I'm a pedal bike. Don't worry its cycleogical."
- Went to see Evita with my wife Tina, a policewoman. Next morning she offered to make me a full English. I said, "don't fry for me Sergeant Tina."
- My husband's nephews are called Garth and Simon. He is Simon and Garth's Uncle.
- There's a great new machine at the gym. I have used it 4 times this week already. Unfortunately, it was broken today, so I couldn't get my Mars bar.
- They say money talks. All of mine is saying "Goodbye".
- I have bought a laughing motorcycle. It is called a Yamahahahahaha!
- Our local crematorium is one of the best in the country. It is la crem de la crem.
- A friend traumatized by cheese comes out in a cold sweat just thinking about it. It is a nightmare trying to get her to smile for photos.
- My boss demoted me from new suit sales to ripped clothes recycling. My career is now in tatters.
- I've just discovered an app where you can order Australian marsupials online. Deliveroo.
- After changing the oil on my car the mechanic started to sing. Apparently they are offering a free tune with every service.
- Went to the shop to buy ingredients for making soup. Unfortunately they were out of stock.

Offertory: 21.7.24:

Gift Aid Envelopes £305, Loose Plate £182. Av standing order and online p.w. £620.

Apostleship of the Sea Gift Aid Envelopes £242, Loose Plate £75.

Many thanks for your generosity. Mass attendance: .185

✠ *Please pray for*

The housebound or sick: Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove, Norah Maddocks as well as our parishioners in hospital and nursing homes.

Recently Deceased: Tessa Waters RIP. Her Funeral will take place on Wednesday 31st July at 12noon, Reception on Tues 30th July at 6pm. All welcome at the reception at Nuthurst Grange.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Leslie Murray, Mabel Mountford, Mary Crick, Mary Goldsworthy, Eddie Catton, Rena Murray, Florence Hase. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

Mary's Meals

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your precious gift of £753.19, which is helping us to transform the lives of hungry children around the world with a nutritious daily meal in school. Your kindness is bringing food, joy and hope to the children who eat Mary's Meals, allowing them to make the most of their education and giving them the chance of a better future.

Today, more than 2.4 million hungry children in 17 of the world's poorest countries – including South Sudan, Ethiopia, Malawi and Yemen – are sitting in classrooms with full stomachs, and learning how to read and write, thanks to supporters like you.

We thank you for your incredible generosity which will have a life-changing impact on some of the world's poorest children, providing them with energy, education and hope for a brighter future.

Executive Director, Mary's Meals UK

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-steresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.