Masses and Services at St George & St Teresa

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16TH JULY - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5.30pm	Roland & Margaret Taylor RIP (T&J T)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
-	10.30am	Lyn O'Rourke (SH)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

10.7 Mon	10.00am	Feria Nuno De Sousa (AA)
18.7 Tue	10.00am	Feria Alan Robinson RIP (AR)
19.7 Wed	10.00am	Feria Ria Koning (AK)
20.7 Thu	10.00am	Feria CHURCH Canon John Gunn RIP (MH)
	10.00am	SCHOOL Year Six Leavers
21.7 Fri	10.00am	Feria Ann-Marie Islam (JG)
22.7 Sat	10.00am	St Mary Magdalene Fr John Ints (AR)

23RD JULY - SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5.30pm	Danuta Kadow RIP (CK)		
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish		
-	10.30am	Michael Haves (ME)		

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 10.30am – 11.15am
Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

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This week Next week	S Chester M Fitzpatrick	H Grosvenor R Slater	A Robinson
READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	J Musgrave	J Smith	J McDonald
Next week	N Damms	G Seymour	N Ritmeyer

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

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St. George & St. Teresa Catholic Church Dorridge Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 16th July 2023



Dear Parishioners.

Our Parish Party was a great success. It was a day to remember. My thanks to all of you wonderful people for making it such a special day. Apart from a minor wobble, the weather was perfect, as it was not too hot or too cold and there was only a slight shower. The Presentation was a lovely surprise, as was the great celebration cake. Thank you also for the poem *A Priest's Hands*, which I think needs to be put into the church. There were some lovely photographs of the day taken by Damien Walmsley, and I hope we will be able to make these available. This event was exceptionally well-organised, a fact which was noted by Eric Lyons outdoor caterers and the band "Who Let the Ukes Out". Thank you for your generous and anonymous donations towards the cost of the day. My thanks to the organisers and helpers, Steve Worrell and the members of the SVP, Deacon Stephen and Catherine, the Catenians, all the ladies who prepared the food, the school gazebos and Marianne and James Wharton for the 2 large gazebos and to Daphne and Denise. This was a St George and St Teresa Production!

This weekend Brian Healy will speak at each Mass about March for Life. The sanctity and protection of human life from conception to the natural end of life is a key teaching and core belief of the Catholic Church, based on the Commandment Thou shalt not kill. It is a belief which is shared by those of many other faiths and none. Let us listen carefully to Brian's message.

I have received a number of other leaflets and communications from various Life groups and will leave these for you to collect or sign petitions, etc. Please take a leaflet and read it at home.

This is the last week of school.

Every Blessing, Fr John

Social get-together over tea, coffee and cakes for members of our community on Wednesday 19th July from 2.30pm - 4pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome. Please come along (Arranged by the SVP).

Fatima 5 First Saturdays Devotion: Our Lady of Fatima revealed to Sr Lucia the following aspects of the First Saturday Devotion: Going to Confession, receiving Communion, reciting five decades of the Rosary and meditating for a quarter of an hour on the mysteries of the Rosary.

Job Vacancies: Site Manager at St. Anne's Catholic Primary School. Salary Band D – subject to experience. 37 hours per week. Start Date: September 2023. (There is a possibility that the house on site will become available for the successful candidate). To apply, please visit https://www.olaas.co.uk/current-vacancies/

St George and St Teresa School. As the School year draws to a close we say farewell to Mrs Krystyna Bickley, who has been acting Headteacher since the beginning of January. There was a lovely Mass, presentation and buffet to mark the retirement of Mrs Anna Connolly. The children from Year 6 will be moving to the Secondary school of their choice. We are in need of a few more children to make up a full class in Reception and Nursery, and I urge parents and carers to send their children to our wonderful school.

...Fr John writes, "in my opinion a good Catholic school is defined by a happy atmosphere, a caring community and a leaking roof." (A former Headteacher mentioned this to me a few years ago) It concerns me that a one-, two- or three-word Ofsted judgement, based on a form of assessment where everyone is quaking in their boots for fear of the consequences, does not always seem to be the complete picture. Those involved with schools know the dedication and determination of staff, governors, parents, PTA, the MAC and the Church to provide a safe, happy environment where children can learn and enjoy their school days. It takes many years to train a teacher through formal education, practical courses, evenings, weekends, example and good practice. I am sure we agree such efforts need to be properly remunerated. Many of us recall a teacher from our formative years for their example, kindness and help. Let us support Catholic Education.

Children's Liturgy takes place in the parish centre during the 8.45am Mass. It is open to all children who are yet to make their Holy Communion. If you can spare some time to support the group on a rota basis, please email Catherine Wise catmobile2@hotmail.com or come by and say hello one Sunday. The last Children's Liturgy this term will be on Sunday 16th July, resuming on Sunday 10th September.

Makes you smile....

- * My doctor asked me what my digestive system was like. I said "Like everybody else'. I take a biscuit and dunk it in my tea, then eat it."
- * I own 2 shirts and some neckwear which used to belong to a guy who was in The Mamas and the Papas. All the sleeves are brown and the tie is grey.
- * Someone rang my telephone earlier about the incoming fog. It was a mist call.

† Your Prayers are asked

For those who are Sick or Housebound: Dorothy Perkins, Michael Grosvenor, Jill Baynham, Des Bentley, Rita Salloway, Leo Hughes Jaxon Rochford, Tessa Waters and Tony Parsons. *Let us also remember those who care for them.*

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Eileen Hunt, Catherine Pollok, Alan Robinson, Roger Bowser, Joan Harris, Sieglinde Hiscox, Danuta Kadow, Antoni Barbieri, Fiona Shelley.

Recently deceased – May they rest in peace:

Fr Bernard Garrett, Fr John Darley, Tony Burdett.

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

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