# **NEWS** LETTER

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# 21st JULY 2024: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY (B)

Mass book: p109 1st Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6 2nd Reading: Ephesians 2: 13-18 Gospel: Mark 6: 30-34

11am Entrance: 466 Gospel Accl.": 710 Offertory: 317 & Hymn Sheet Memorial Accl.": We proclaim...
Hymns Gloria: 998 Communion: 832 Post-Communion: 804 Recessional: 830



### Christ the shepherd of the people

Jesus Christ looks on the people with compassion because they are like sheep without a shepherd. He teaches the Good News that the people who have been dispersed like lost sheep will be brought back into the fold. It is our vocation to remind people through his blood Christ is the peace between us.

They were like sheep without a shepherd.

### The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For the Pastoral Care of the Sick

Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

	Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days
Sat 20 18:30	First Mass of Sunday Owen & Susan Meegan RIP
Sun 21 09.30	<b>▼ SIXTEENTH SUNDAY</b> (B) Sarah O'Neill RIP
11.00	Theresa Hector RIP
Mon 22 09.30	Saint Mary Magdalene Amelia Spindler RIP Rosary
Tue 23 09.30	Saint Bridget Mary Clara Thuraisingham RIP Rosary
Wed 24 09.30	Alice Murphy RIP Rosary
Thu 25	Saint ‡ James
09.30	Robert Morson-Wood RIP Rosary
Fri 26 09.30	Saints Joachim and Anne <b>Wellbeing - Horgan family</b> Exposition
Sat 27 09.30 18:30	Domenico De Masi RIP First Mass of Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary - Rev Fr Victor Akongwale
Sun 28 09.30 11.00	▼ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY (B) Thanksgiving & Special Intention for Pierre-Marie NDoman Mercy Afrifa RIP

### **Prayer Requests**

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter. Please send an email to: regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk.

# Please Pray for the wellbeing of:

Fr Peter Mansfield, Kathleen Edkins, Pat Travers, Patrick Watts, Tony Rawsthorne and Elisabetta de Masi.

### Sharing the Word

#### First Reading

Jeremiah accuses the official leaders for neglecting their duties towards the people. But God will not let his people languish. He himself will take care of his flock and will entrust the flock to good and faithful shepherds. The prophecy looks forward to the coming of a king of David's line, (the Messiah), whose reign will be characterised by wisdom, justice and righteousness.

## Second Reading

Paul is speaking to the Gentile members of the community. Christ has broken down the wall between Jews and Gentiles, and united all peoples as children of the one Father.

#### Gospel

Jesus presents himself as the good shepherd. Firstly, we see his care for the Twelve who have just returned from their missionary work and needed a break. And then secondly, we see his care for the ordinary people. His attempt to get off to a quiet place is frustrated, but he does not get annoyed with the people. And filled with

compassion for them he set himself to teach them at some length.

# Confirmation and First Holy Communion 2025

Application forms for Confirmation and First Holy Communion are now available. You will find the forms in a black folder which is on the table which is at the back of the church.

# **Confirmation and First Holy Communion 2024**

Photographs from these celebrations are now available. Please see Fr Regis, or call in at the parish office when the secretary is available.

#### Sick & Housebound

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend mass because they are in poor health, please let Fr Regis know and he will take them Holy Communion.

#### **Parish Retreat**



We are organising a one day **parish** retreat to Worth Abbey in Crawley, West Sussex on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024. <a href="https://worthabbey.net/visiting/retreats/">https://worthabbey.net/visiting/retreats/</a>, for up to 30 people. The day's programme is:

7-9am Travel to Worth Abbey

9-9:45am Arrive - Welcome, Coffee, Introductions &

Orientation

9:45-10:15am Opening Worship

10:15-11:30 Time for personal reflection / walk to

Ouiet Garden

11:30-12:30 Session 1

12:30-1pm Personal prayer (Abbey Church) then

Midday Prayer at 1pm

1:15-2:30pm Lunch 2:30-3:30pm Session 2

3:30-4:15pm Tea

4:30-5:00pm Closing Prayer then time for personal

reflection

5:30pm Mass in the Abbey Church

6:15pm Travel

To register your interest please let Fr Regis know or

alternatively, email the secretary on:

sydenham@rcaos.org.uk

#### Parish Artist

We are seeking an artist, or someone who knows about creating digital images to help us create the digital files for some new banners we would like to create.

If you would like to participate in this project please let Fr Regis know or alternatively, email the secretary on: <a href="mailto:sydenham@rcaos.org.uk">sydenham@rcaos.org.uk</a>

#### The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London

We are holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 26 August 2024 from 10 am to 4:30 pm.

The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome.

Call Mxillie on 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria

Last Week

Offertory: Gift Aided: £206 Not Gift Aided: £270 Mass Count: Sat (45), Sun 09.30 (94), 11.00 (102)

Second Collection

Last week: Sea Sunday - Stella Maris (£294)

This week: None Next Week: None

Donate

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, using the white envelopes at the back of the church, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated.

Card: Card Machine in Church Foyer or www.olspn.church

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Contact

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