



**Our Lady of Mount Carmel and  
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**HOLIDAY BREAK** It is the time of year where people will be going away on holiday. For those going away, we wish you a good and relaxing break. Please remember to try to get to Mass. Please pray for us. We will keep you and your family in our prayers

**Mass Times, Intentions and Information**

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2022 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY YEAR C**  
10am: Jose del Carmen Mendez RIP  
12:00: People of the Parish

**THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPT; 2022 – St. Edmund Arrowsmith, Priest and Martyr**  
**9.30am: Rosary**  
**10.00am: Well being of Laura Knight**

**MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2022 – The Passion of St. John the Baptist**  
**10.00am: No Eucharistic Service**

**FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> SEPT; 2022 – Feria**  
**10.00 am: No Mass**

**TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2022 – Sts. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs**  
10am Barbara Faghanson RIP

**SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPT; 2022 – St Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**  
**10.00am No Mass**

**WEDNESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2022 – St Aidan and the Saints of Lindisfarne**  
**10.00:am No Mass**

**SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPT; 2022 TWENTY- THIRD SUNDAY YEAR C**  
10am: Thanksgiving for 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Religious Profession of Sister Ifechukwudere Christy Emeribe  
12:00: People of the Parish

**Mass at Sacred Heart Parish: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am**

**CARD MACHINE:** The New Collection Card Machine is now active at the back of the Church. Make your donation with your credit or debit card. It is easy to use. Don't worry if you forget or have no cash, you can still make your donation to your parish

**HOSPITAL CONTACTS** If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know. **St George's Hospital:** Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069). **St Heliers and Epsom Hospital:** Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000) **Kingston Hospital:** Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711) **Guy's and St. Thomas Hospital:** Fr Jake Dicto (020 7188 5588) **Chelsea and Westminster Hospital:** Call the Chaplaincy (020 3315 083) **Emeg:** 07659 140 566

**Offertory collection** Sunday 21<sup>ST</sup> August 2020: First Collection: £724.67 Second Collection: £139.81.. Today's Second Collection is for the good of the Parish. We are grateful for your Support and help to the Parish

**CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST:** If you want to have talk with Father Peter, the Parish Priest, he is on leave till September. In emergency please contact the office to arrange for another priest.

**BISHOP PAUL SEND-OFF** : All Parishioners are invited to the send-off Mass and reception for Bishop Paul at St Boniface Church, Mitcham Road, Tooting on Thursday 8th September at 6.30pm. Bus 44 stops in front of the Church. Please make it a date as Bishop Paul was good to us in this Parish

**COVID 19.** Please note that in this church facemasks and hand sanitiser are in use. Clearly parishioners who care for the health of their neighbour, as well as their own, will consider very carefully the advantages of continuing to sanitise their hands and of wearing a mask in church, it must be a mask covering nose and face. Whatever you think, thank you for thinking of others before yourself.

**SAFEGUARDING:** If you want to take up a ministry in the parish premises working with children or adults, you must have a DBS clearance-this is an essential safeguarding procedure that we must follow by British Law. Only Readers are excepted

**ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?** If you are new to the parish then we extend a very warm welcome to you. Please complete the 'New Parishioner Enrolment Form' and post it to the Parish Office or hand it in during Mass. Hard copy forms are available in the entrance of each church

**Parish Seniors:** Thank you all who have signed up for a Day Trip to Brighton on Saturday 10th September 2022. The Train cost as a Group and using your Freedom Pass is £13.35p for a Return Ticket

**WE SHALL DEPART FROM VICTORIA TRAIN STATION** The Money for Tickets will be collected on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August and 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022. We pray and hope that the strikes will not affect us the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022

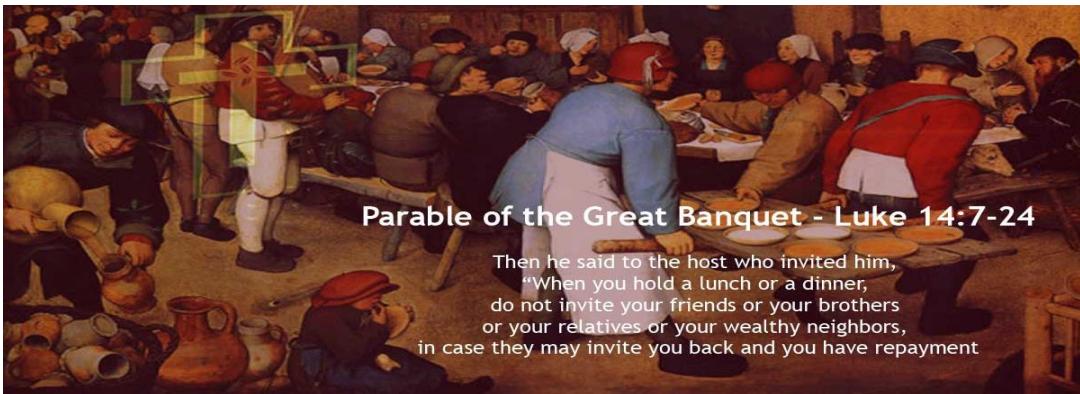
**OFFICE HOURS:** The Parish office is closed till second week of September. The office is also open every day from 10.30am till 7pm except Wednesdays in case you want to speak or see someone urgently

**CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES** For Information, please visit: [aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs) Modules begin on Tuesday 13th September 2022.

# Parish Diary and Reflection

Sunday – El Shaddai Prayer – 1:00 – 3:30pm	Saturday - Youth Practice 1:00 - 3:00pm Choir Practice:1:00 - 5:00pm
First Friday of the Month: Adoration & Benediction	Tea and Coffee: <b>Cancelled until further Notice</b>

## THE TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C



On this twenty second Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Church calls our attention to a very important Christian virtue, humility. It is an attribute and quality of God which all his children must strive to possess and live. We are therefore enjoined this Sunday to reflect deeply on this great virtue. Also, we are called to imitate the humility of Jesus Christ our Lord, who is the mediator of the new covenant. The first reading is dedicated entirely to the admonition of remaining humble at all times: "My child, conduct your affairs with humility and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favour with God." Humility is an unattractive virtue that makes a person truly attractive to God and people.

The second reading reminds us that our destination is Mount Zion, the heavenly Jerusalem, and the city of the living God. In this city, only the humble like the of Angels and Saints can dwell there. Certainly, the proud cannot because, a proud heart cannot worship the Lord. Furthermore, in this city "everyone is a first born and a true citizen." Hence, as citizens of this city we must cloth ourselves with humility just like Christ our Mediator.

The gospel takes us to the climax of today's good news. Christ exhorts us: "...Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted." Jesus teaches the importance of humility and simplicity in our Christian journey. In this regard, we have a lot to learn from the Blessed Virgin Mary who humbled herself. Her humility was so remarkable that God exalted her to be the Mother of His Son.

Finally, the church teaches us that: "Humility is the foundation of prayer." (CCC 2559). Only a humble heart can come and prostrate before God in prayer. A humble person is always ready to ask for guidance from God and from others. He is also ready to listen, and learn from others. It takes humility to say please, and also, to ask for forgiveness. So, let us humbly implore the Lord: "O Jesus! Meek and humble of heart, make my heart like yours. From the desire to be honoured and esteemed deliver me!"

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:** *For the abolition of the death penalty* We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** To baptise your child please phone the Parish Office to book for the class, arrange a date and time of baptism. We request ALL PARENTS, who wish to get their child baptised, to bring their own baptism certificates as proof that they are Catholics, a copy of their child's birth certificate and proof of address along with the Baptism Form collected at the back of the church. GODPARENTS will need to bring their baptism certificate to proof they are practicing Catholics

**MARCH FOR LIFE 2022** This event takes place next Saturday 3 rd September 2022. Please consider attending and supporting the cause of life. There is a poster in the main porch. Also see: <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/> Pray for an end to abortion. There have been over 10 MILLION abortions in the UK since the 1967

**Marriage Papers/Preparation:** All couples planning to get married in the UK or abroad are required to notify the Parish Priest at least 6 (Six) months before the date of the wedding.

**STEP INTO THE GAP PROGRAMME** CAFOD, in partnership with their UK placements, offers the exciting opportunity for 18 - 30 year olds to spend a fully funded year volunteering in a retreat centre or school chaplaincy, where you will work alongside the Catholic community and others to bring about a more just world. It is a great chance to develop a range of skills and gain work experience within the context of your faith. For more information, please contact Arianne at: [youngleadership@CAFOD.org.uk](mailto:youngleadership@CAFOD.org.uk); or go to: Step into the Gap - Volunteer for your gap year | CAFOD

**How To Have A Mass Offered:** Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope which you will find at the back of Church or alternatively you may ask a member of the parish Clergy for one. Once completed, place in the Collection bags on Sunday or hand it to any of the clergy, Parish Secretary or the Sacristan, or if during the week put it through the Priest's House letterbox. It is important that you use the pre-printed Mass Intention envelopes so that we know who has requested the Mass. Charity Number:1173050 (PLEASE STOP COMING TO THE OFFICE ON SUNDAYS TO BOOK MASSES – USE THE ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH)