

EU CITIZENS IN OUR DIOCESE: All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens living in the UK are required by the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to continue living, working and accessing services here. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2021. Details and links to the application process can be found at: www.gov.uk/eusettdstatus. Please bring this to the attention of friends, family members and fellow parishioners who may need to apply. Information on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is available at www.gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme. The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. They are a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities

SCAMMING: The diocese has asked us to let you know that there are many scamming operations targeting parishes and parishioners at the moment. In particular there is one which claims to be your parish priest asking you to buy gift cards, especially from Google and the like. There is also a scam pretending to be from TV Licensing asking you to give all your personal details that could then be used to empty your bank account. All scams are very professionally produced: be especially suspicious of emails, texts and telephone calls from people claiming to represent banks, tax people, the church, the police and other organisations. Do not click on links within emails unless you are sure it is safe and make sure your internet security is up to date.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.

Royal Berkshire Hospital Switchboard:

0118 3225111

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Adoration
Suspended

Confessions
Suspended

Tea/Coffee
Suspended

Priest's Mass Intentions
Please complete one of the special envelopes and arrange with the office

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO, WOODLEY

Sunday 5th July 2020

14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

FR BILL WRITES: It is so good to have Pia and Debs back part-time. Deb's office hours will be Wednesday to Friday, 10.00am to 2.00pm. However, Debs will only be operating via phone and email. Please do not call in person as we do not have the space to socially distance in the office area. Pia, Debs, and Fr Bill will be spending this week ordering supplies, printing signage, completing risk assessments, and re-arranging the church so that we are compliant with all governmental and diocesan policies on the reopening of churches. Once our stewards have been trained, we should be good to go. I know some other churches have already opened, but they have resources we do not have. Incidentally, those churches report very underwhelming attendance. Perhaps that will change when public Mass is celebrated, in some places from this weekend. Those parishes have set up online ticketing for each Mass. Is there anyone in our parish who could set this up and administer it for us? Also, since not everyone will be able to attend, either due to numbers or health concerns, it would be good to be able to broadcast public Mass when it eventually happens. Again, is there anyone in the parish able to make this happen? Kindly, Fr. Bill

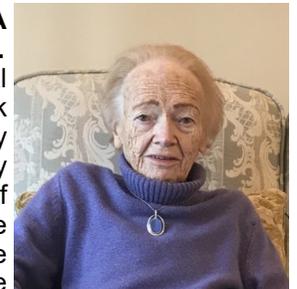
STEWARDS: We are asking for people to act as stewards. So far we have had just five volunteers come forward: we need more. Can you help

either during the week or on a Sunday? You must be under 70 with no underlying health problems relevant to COVID-19. Please email the parish office if you can assist. Thanks.

PARISH FUNDS: We are down 44% on our offertory income since lockdown. We really need to recoup the loss somehow. We know that times are very uncertain for everybody, but if you can give, please consider using the donate button on our website. Many thanks..

MRS ZOFIA WIKTORCZYK.

Zofia's Funeral Service took place on Friday at Our Lady Queen of Peace. The service can be viewed for the next four weeks at www.orbitus.com, User Name Yup6616 Password 148478 Obitus - Webcast for Zofia kazimiera Wiktorczyk. Donations in her memory can be made to the Sue Ryder charity. May she rest in peace.



St John Bosco Parish is a vibrant worshipping community in the heart of Woodley. We are committed to serve, to grow, to connect and to give.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ALL MASSES WILL BE SAID
WITHOUT A CONGREGATION

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS

TODAY	14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A	Alfred Caruna +
Mon 6	St Maria Goretti	
Tues 7	Feria week 14	No intention
Wed 8	Feria week 14	People of the Parish
Thurs 9	St Augustine Zho Rong	No intention
Fri 10	Feria week 14	No intention
Sat 11	St Benedict	No intention
JULY 12	15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A	No intention

LOCAL GROUPS OFFERING HELP IN WOODLEY AT THIS TIME:

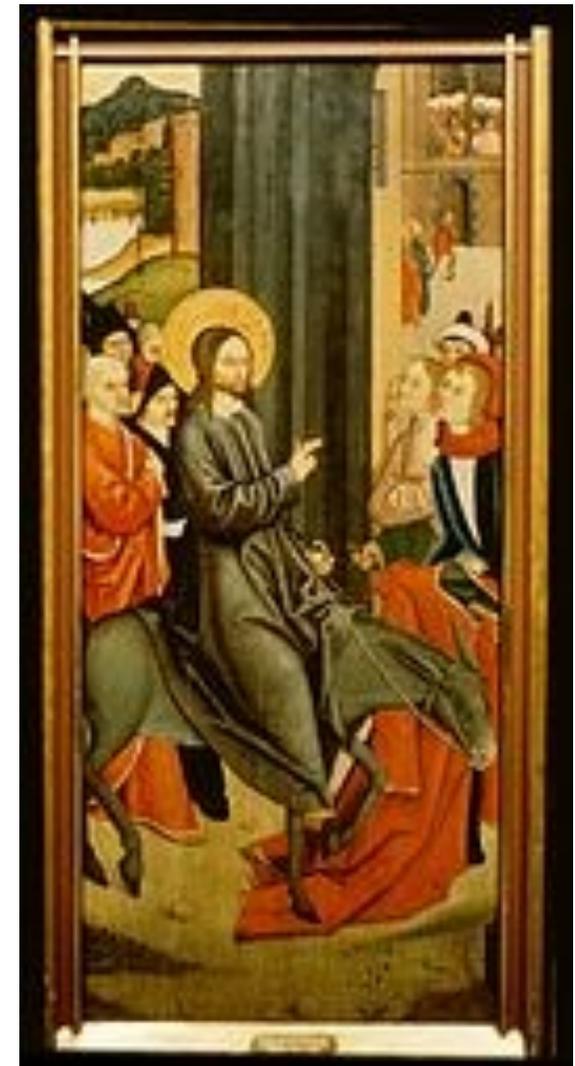
Woodley volunteering group is offering collections of food/medicines etc. It's very obliging and flexible. People can ask for help that they need. It doesn't matter whether you are on any government or local authority list as officially categorised as "vulnerable".
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/135082544613963/>

Woodley Foodbank: Woodley Baptist Church, food or donations weekdays 10.00am till 12 noon. Financial donations can be made via bank transfer: CAF Bank, A/c No. 0002 6628, Sort Code: 40 52 40. Please be sure to give a reference of Woodley Foodbank to ensure the money is allocated correctly. We can also use the online donation site: www.give.net/20181094.

**ST AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG
AND COMPANIONS:** were martyred in China between 1648 and 1930. We can't find a copyright-free image to print here but there is a very moving one on this Catholic Gibraltar site with some biographical details:
<http://catholic.gi/st-augustine-zhao-rong-and-companions-martyrs/>

Here we are in the middle of Ordinary Time and yet our first reading is a prophesy of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. We "did" that just thirteen weeks ago. What is going on? As usual, we must look to the Gospel reading. Why does Jesus come to Jerusalem riding on a donkey? Because he is "gentle and humble of heart" and he comes with a message for the powerful: the Father has kept things from the learned and clever (the Temple authorities?) and revealed them to children (the poor?). It is the people in the crowd who recognise Jesus as the Son of David who comes to save: "...you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light."

Image: Bernhard Strigel (c. 1465—1528) *The Entry Into Jerusalem*
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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially: Ellen Morganti, June Bremner-Tse, Kath & Gerry Houlton, Sr. Joseph, and Anne Evans.

Also, for all the faithful departed, especially those in our *Book of Remembrance* for this month: Kitty Foley, Maura Cox, William (Liam) Murphy, Ken Webb, Christopher Larkin, Jo Blagbrough, Maggie Beresford, Bernard Joy OBE, Joseph Darne, John Davis, Zofia Niedzwiedzka, Tony Jacobs, Margaret Bond, Bridget Pocock, Pauline Siveter, and Eileen Murphy. May they rest in peace.