

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
St John Bosco



5th & 12th August 2018— 18th & 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B - Issue 2031

EMERGENCY NUMBERS FOR THE SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY OF A PRIEST:

Fr Raffaele 9693423
Fr Luca 9693423
Fr. Pat 9314469
Fr. Stan 9663711
Fr. Peter 9428632
Canon Michael
 9572149
Canon John O'Shea
 9574171
Please call your own priest first.

READING CHURCHES WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

CHRIST THE KING
 Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am
ENGLISH MARTYRS
 Sat 6.30pm,
 Sun 9.30am, 11.30am & 5pm
OUR LADY OF PEACE
 Sun 9am, 11am & 5pm
ST JAMES
 Sat 6pm, Sun 11am
ST JOHN BOSCO
 6.30pm
 Sun 10am
ST WILLIAM OF YORK
 Sun 9am, 11am
 6pm term time only
St JOSEPH'S
 Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.
Royal Berkshire Hospital
Chaplain: Fr JP Lyttle
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ST. DOMINIC SAVIO CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Western Avenue,
 Woodley RG5 3BH
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Head Teacher:
 Mr. James Broadbridge
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www.stdominicsavio.co.uk

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCY

Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School has a vacancy for a Foundation Governor. Applications from committed Catholics are welcomed by 31 August 2018. For further information please speak to your parish priest or go to: www.hughfaringdon.org/information/governing-body.

ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

Early Years Open Mornings:
 Fri, 21 Sept, 9.30—11.00am
 Tues, 16 Oct, 9.30—11.00am
 Tues, 20 Nov, 9.30—11.00am
 Open Days: Fri, 21 Sept, 10.30—12 noon, Thurs, 4 Oct, 6.30—9.00pm, Tues, 20 Nov, 10.30—12noon. To reserve your place at an open morning or evening please call Admissions on 0118 9846909 or email admissions@sjcr.org.uk. Alternatively you can book via the website www.sjcr.org.uk

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION 1

year course at Douai Abbey beginning on Tue 25th Sept at 10.30am-4pm. The aim of the course is to support those who are willing to journey in faith with others and help them to a deeper level of faith. For further information please see the website: www.soulfriend.org.uk or email Susan Shepp at susan.sheppy@btinternet.com



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Holy day of Obligation
 Tues, 14 Aug, 7pm Mass
 Weds, 15 Aug, 9.30am & 7pm Mass

MINISTERS FOR

11th/12th August

Readers
Saturday
 Celia Loan/Angela King
Sunday
 Sennan Al-Rehani/Jo Poole
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday
 M Moffat
 J Tan Gurney
 M Abayaratna
Sunday
 C Owens A
 M Dodd B + Altar
 M Moffat C
 J Jeyakumar D + Altar
 B Buckley Altar only
 P Gibbs Altar only
 M Johnston Altar only
Welcomers
Saturday
 Jane O'Rourke/Angela King
Sunday
 Chris Jones family
 Judy Rogers/Debs Gibson

18th/19th August

Readers
Saturday
 Pia Gibbs/G Vonderlinden
Sunday
 Brenda D'Mello/Nick Lamb
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday
 M Eames
 H Hill
 D Cramp
Sunday
 M Saunders A
 M Armstead B + Altar
 A Dworzak C
 G Siveter D + Altar
 M Babalola Altar only
 M Tilney Altar only
 K DSouza
Welcomers
Saturday
 Rita Belletty/Colin Eames
Sunday
 M Edwards/A Roberts

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Church Office Hours:
 Tue, Weds, Fri, 8.30—1.30pm
CLOSED 7th - 10th Aug

Administrator: Karen Tarvin
 0118 9693423

Safeguarding Rep:
 Julie Hamblin
 0118 9618918

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes £198.00
 Loose £292.70
 Standing orders: £450
Thank you for your kind and generous donations which go towards the maintenance & running of the parish

Next Special Collection:
 9th Sept. - Catholic Education Service

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

This Sunday the Reading of Chapter Six of the Gospel according to John continues. After the multiplication of the loaves, the people went in search of Jesus and finally found him near Capernaum. He was well aware of the motive for their great enthusiasm in seeking him and he made this clear to them: "you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves" (Jn 6:26). In fact, those people followed him for the material bread which had placated their hunger the previous day, when Jesus had performed the multiplication of the loaves; they had not understood that that bread, broken for so many, for the multitude, was *the expression of the love* of Jesus himself. They had given more meaning to that bread than to its donor. Before this spiritual blindness, Jesus emphasizes the necessity of going beyond the gift, to discover, come to know the donor. God himself is both the gift and the giver. Thus from that bread, from that gesture, the people can find the One who gives it, who is God. He invites them to open up to a perspective which is not only that of the daily need to eat, dress, achieve success, build a career. Jesus speaks of another food. He speaks of a food which is incorruptible and which is good to seek and gather. He exhorts: "Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you" (v. 27). That is to say, seek salvation, the encounter with God. With these words, he seeks to make us understand that, in addition to physical hunger man carries within him another hunger — all of us have this hunger — a more important hunger, which cannot be satisfied with ordinary food. It is a hunger for life, a hunger for eternity which He alone can satisfy, as he is "the bread of life" (v. 35). Jesus does not eliminate the concern and search for daily food. No, he does not remove the concern for all that can make life more progressive. But Jesus reminds us that the true meaning of our earthly existence lies at the end, in eternity, it lies in the encounter with Him, who is gift and giver. He also reminds us that human history with its suffering and joy must be seen in a *horizon of eternity*, that is, in that horizon of the definitive encounter with Him. And this encounter illuminates all the days of our life. If we think of this encounter, of this great gift, the small gifts of life, even the suffering, the worries will be illuminated by the hope of this encounter. "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst" (v. 35). This refers to the Eucharist, the greatest gift that satisfies the soul and the body. Meeting and welcoming within us Jesus, "Bread of Life", gives meaning and hope to the often winding journey of life. This "Bread of Life" is given to us with a task, namely, that we in our turn satisfy the spiritual and material hunger of our brothers, proclaiming the Gospel the world over. With the witness of our brotherly and solidary attitude toward our neighbour, we render Christ and his love present amid mankind. (Pope Francis)

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 4 August	9.30am 6.30pm	St John Vianney 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Leonard Anthony Burke Alphonsus + (C Hall)	
Sun 5 August	10.00am	18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Giuseppe Monopoli + (Maria Itta)	
Mon 6 August	9.30am	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD		
Tues 7 August	9.30am 6.00pm 7.00pm	Feria Adoration Feria		
Weds 8 August	9.30am	St Dominic		
Thurs 9 August	9.30am	ST TERESA BEDICTA OF THE CROSS		
Fri 10 August	9.00am 9.30am	Adoration ST LAURENCE	Marie Kennedy + (Mary & Frank Dodd)	
Sat 11 August	9.30am 6.30pm	St Clare 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Tony Gray+ (C & P Lawrence)	
Sun 12 August	10.00am	19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Michael O’Gorman + (Marie O’Gorman)	
Mon 13 August	9.30am	Feria	Richard Gurney + (Jo-Ann Tan Gurney)	
Tues 14 August	9.30am 6.00pm 7.00pm	St Maximilian Maria Adoration THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY		
Weds 15 August	9.30am 7.00pm	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Holy Day of Obligation		
Thurs 16 August	9.30am	Feria		
Fri 17 August	9.00am 9.30am	Adoration Feria		
Sat 18 August	9.30am 6.30pm	Feria 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Marcelle Underwood + (Janet & Joe Daniels)	
Sun 19 August	10.00am	20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Clarel Bayou (Bayou family)	Baptism

Responsorial Psalm:

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
“The Lord gave them bread from heaven”
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
“Taste and see that the Lord is good”



Light the Sanctuary Lamp for loved ones, either in the Main Church or Lady Chapel for the week,
Sun — Sat for a suggested £10 donation.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR WEEK:
12th to 18th August is dedicated to
Main Church:
Lady Chapel: Michael O’Gorman +

PLEASE PRAY FOR
Members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially our housebound Elizabeth Faulkner, Sheila Arkle, Gertrude Burke, Peter Hill, Jill O'Rourke, Alan Knox, Lucy McSharry and Bruce Bentley and for all who receive Holy Communion at home, in nursing homes or in hospital.

For all the faithful departed especially Giuseppe Monopoli, Anthony John Gray, Kathleen Hodges, Tom Treacy, Reginald Halse, Jo Williams, Michael O’Gorman, Stella Chappe, Boilestaw Klonowicz, Anthony McCarthy, Rita Bellinger Averil Oxley, Marjorie Pritchard, Fred Silvester, Joyce Wise, Robert Ashe, Noeleen Sim and all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace.

