



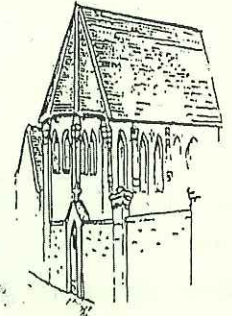
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12th Sunday of the Year (A) 25 June 2017

Services for the week beginning 25 June

Morning Prayer of the Church is prayed
Monday - Friday at 9.00am in the Lady Chapel.

Sat 24	6.00pm	Mary Connaghan RIP
Sun 25	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Monica Graves RIP (A)
Mon 26	9.15am	Julia Bannerman (intentions)
Tues 27	9.15am	Richard Graves RIP
Wed 28	9.15am	Eucharistic Service
Thurs 29	9.30am 7.30pm	People of the Parish In thanksgiving for the parish (F)
Fri 30	9.15am	Serafino Soares RIP
Sat 1 July	12.30pm 5.15pm 6.00pm	Baptism Sacrament of Reconciliation Dan & Kath Gallagher RIP (A)
Sun 2	9.00am 11.00am	Serafino Soares RIP People of the Parish

Solemnities & Feast Days

29 June: Solemnity: SS. Peter & Paul, apostles

Parish Diary

Mon	Governors	6.00pm	School
Tues	Prayer Group	9.45am	Community Room
Fri	School Fete	3.30pm	School
Sun	Confirmation party	12.15pm	School Hall

Please pray for those who are sick:

Norah Crow, Masaldo Merry, Clare O'Toole,
Denzil Lang, John Oruche, Patrick Berton,
Alvina Telles, Jude Telles, Christine Jones,
& Christine Kristen

Thank you for your generous offerings

11 June: £1,478.22

21 June: £1,098.95

From Fr. Sean,

To seek humility does not appear on page one of the guide how to be a politician, if it appears at all; yet it is the path our prime minister, no less, says she wishes to take. My dictionary defines the word almost entirely negatively and about as far from the ambition required to get to the top of the greasy pole as you can imagine. She may be mistaking it for a closely related word as a result of the humiliation she suffered in the recent election. For the trouble with being humble is that by its very nature if you draw attention to it you cease to be it. I fear such a strategy can only lead to ridicule and further humiliation. On the other hand if you are seeking discipleship in the Christian faith then the masters of the spiritual life in our rich tradition would disagree entirely with the tone of the dictionary. Indeed, St. Augustine's how to of the spiritual life consists of simply: humility, humility, and humility. Rather than having a low view of your importance and thus something you wouldn't pursue, as the dictionary would have it, humility actually grounds you in the truth of who you are in a world that artificially raises you up because it suits someone else's agenda, or does you down because you are too much of a rival. Most of us can't and don't want to face the truth of who we are because we fear we may not be up to much, hence you don't find a lot of humility around. For me prayer is essential. In the daily slog to try to pray I learn to face the reality of who I am and, crucially, in the presence of God, learn to love and accept that reality. Of course it is easy for us all to be rude about our politicians, but there is plenty of humbug, ambition wrapped in humility, in the Church too. We could all do with a reality check from time to time. Thank God our parish has the humble in spades to teach us, if only we have eyes to see.

Rotas for weekend 1/2 July

	Readers	Eucharist	Children's Liturgy
6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	Please see new rotas by email or in the sacristy and porch	Please see new rotas by email or in the sacristy and porch Imelda Sotto, Joseph Duke, Stella Porritt, Hilda Ridoynauth, Marian Chery	Beatrice, Bola & Helpers

Confirmation. Next Sunday we welcome back all our young people recently confirmed together with their sponsors and families as they celebrate their Going Forth Mass and receive their certificates at 11.00am mass. Everyone is then invited to join us after in St. Winefride's School Hall for a party to celebrate this important milestone in faith

Baptism Preparation. The next sessions for parents who have a child for baptism under the age of seven will take place on Tuesday 2 and 11 July at 7.00pm in the Community Room. At least one parent must be a baptized Catholic and you must have a certificate to show this. You are asked not to book dates for baptism until you have attended the sessions. Please note that these sessions are for parents. You are asked not to bring your children with you. Thank you for your cooperation.

Congratulations.

We welcome into our Parish family Lillian Titilayo Fabwale-Makinde and Elizabeth Konteh who were baptised in June. Congratulations to their parents.

Centenary Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Thank you to everyone who has booked to join us on 22 July. We have a second coach booked now. If you wish to come you must book and make payment this weekend, £20.00 per person, £15.00 under 16s (some concessions available). Please contact Galvin Gabriel to reserve a place. Please note, at Bishop Alan's instruction there will no Saturday vigil masses celebrated in the diocese that day.

St. Winefride's School Summer Fete will be held on Friday of this week at the end of school. All are welcome. Come and join in the fun and support our outstanding school.

Mass Books. The new books are now available from the back of the church priced £2.50. I would encourage every family to have one. They contain all the readings and prayers for Sunday mass until next Advent.

Community Day 2017

Please keep Sunday 23 July free and join us for what promises to be a very special Community Day, celebrating all that we contribute to life here in Manor Park

Jellico Interns. We offer a warm welcome to Jacqueline Rodriguez and Alex Rougeau our Jellico interns who are arriving this weekend and after some initial training will be with us over the coming month. Much of their time will be spent in meeting as many of you as they can and contributing valuable energy and capacity to what really gets us going as Church!

Holy Hour. As part of the diocesan centenary Newham deanery is holding a Holy Hour, adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, on Wednesday 28 June at 7.30pm at St. Margaret's Church, Canning Town, to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. It will be preceded by a talk from Paschal Uche, one of our diocesan seminarians

St. Mary's Manor Park Summer Concert: You Raise Me Up! An uplifting programme of music & words from a variety of genres with the St Mary's Singers Community Choir, followed by refreshments in the rectory garden. Monday 3 July, beginning at 8.00pm (doors open at 7.45pm). *Do join us if you can - all are welcome. Brian Lewis (Rector).*

Holy Days. *Thursday is the solemnity of Saint Peter and Saint Paul. As usual on such days mass will be celebrated at 9.30am when we will be joined by St. Winefride's School, and at 7.30pm.*