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NEWSLETTER

Sunday 31st July 2022

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

WEEKEND MASSES: St. Augustine's Church: 6pm on Saturdays and 11am on Sundays.
Our Lady of Sorrows: 9.30am on Sundays.

WEEKDAY MASSES: 9.30am on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Each Saturday from 12.30pm to 1pm, in St. Augustine's, there is the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or for a discussion of any issue that might be on a person's mind.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 30th 6pm	Walter Stanley RIP	Tue 2nd 9.30am	Fr. Pius (St. Ethelberts)
Sun 31st 9.30am	People of Parish	Wed 3rd 12.30pm	Dorrie Keating RIP
Sun 31st 11am	Dorrie Keating RIP	Thu 4th 9.30am	Carolyn Ansell RIP
Mon 1st	NO MASS	Fri 5th 9.30am	Dorrie Keating RIP (requested by SVP)

DEATH: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorcas (Dorrie) Keating (Wraysbury) who died on Friday 8th July. Our very sincere sympathy to Peter who looked after her so well during her long illness. May Dorrie rest in peace and let us keep Peter in our prayers. The Requiem Mass for the repose of Dorrie will be at St. Augustine's on Wednesday 3rd August at 12.30pm and burial immediately after at Crimp Hill Cemetery, Old Windsor. There will be refreshments after the burial at the George in Wraysbury. (Please note there will not be a 9.30am Mass on Wednesday 3rd August).

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Terri Nicoll, Fred Oufi, Nino Puma, and Roger Stewart. Please pray also for those who are caring for them.

RESUMPTION OF ADORATION IN THE PRESENCE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

We have resumed Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which we had before lockdown. We will have it on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays of each week from 5.30pm to 6.15pm at St. Augustine's**. At the present time, the Church, our Country, and the World are in great need of God's blessing, so we would hope that many will attend this privileged time of prayer, at least on one of the days mentioned.

OFFERTORY: 23/24 July: £379 cash and £120 (estimated) standing orders.

TEA / COFFEE AFTER MASS AT OUR LADY OF SORROWS AND ST. AUGUSTINE'S: This Sunday we will have our usual get together for tea / coffee immediately after the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows.

FOODBANK – A SPECIAL APPEAL: Due to the very rapid rise in the cost of living, the foodbank is becoming more and more a necessary means of support for an increasing number of people. We strongly encourage you to be as generous as possible in these very difficult times.

100 CLUB DRAW FOR JUNE & JULY: Congratulations to Maureen Wilks and James Rice, who each won £100 in the 100 Club Draw made last Sunday in St. Augustine's Hall after 11am Mass.

Synodal Discussion Report of Bishops of England and Wales (continued from last week)

We spoke last week of 'Marginalised Groups' and first among these was Women. Other marginalized groups mentioned in the Report are LGBTQ+, Young People, Divorced and Remarried, the Traveller Community and People of Colour.

LGBTQ+

A constant voice in the reports laments the exclusion of LGBTQ+ Catholics. Stories were shared in which gay people are singled out or made unwelcome and are subjected to prejudice and hostility.

Young People

Present in almost every submission was the pain in the older generation at the absence of young people from the Church, along with a bewilderment that the means of passing on the faith in a previous generation through family and parish had broken down. The question was often voiced: 'how can we encourage them to come back?' Many suggestions were made - above all, the need to prioritize the encounter with Christ rather than relying on sacramental preparation. Another suggestion was when the concrete witness in service to the poor, struggling for social justice, and caring for Creation, young people respond, for these are areas where young people wish to be engaged.

Some young people themselves value the Church as a place of welcome, safety and belonging that offers a clear moral compass and opportunities for spiritual development. There were many calls for the presence of young people to be better valued, for their involvement in the liturgy and life of the Church. There is a complaint that 'older people don't listen to the young and do not want to share responsibility with them'. We need to overcome resistance to change. Sometimes young people's anxieties turn to a concern for Creation. Yet, they almost never hear the environment spoken of in homilies.

(The synopsis of the Synodal Report will continue next week)

FULL COPY OF THE SYNODAL DISCUSSION REPORT: For those who would like to read the full report produced by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales, please use the link below.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2022/06/synod-national-synthesis-england-wales.pdf>