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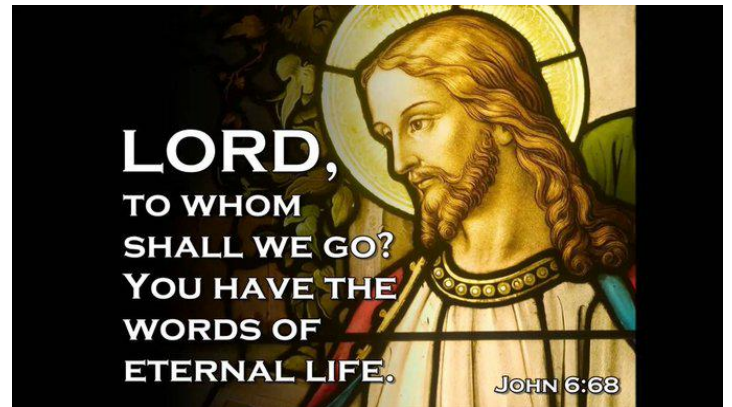
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd August 2021

'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life'

Mass Times

Sat 21st	St Pius X, Pope, Memorial 09:30 Safe arrival of Baby Tiner 17:30 (<i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i>) Christine Kawesi thanksgiving
Sun 22nd	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 10:00 People of the Parish
Mon 23rd	Feria 09:30 Kayleigh Lowe RIP
Tues 24th	St Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast 09:30
Weds 25th	Feria 12.00 Requiem Mass <i>Maureen Amoah RIP</i>
Thurs 26th	Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Priest, Memorial 09:30 Mrs Mary Hood RIP
Fri 27th	St Monica, Memorial 09:30 Thanksgiving
Sat 28th	St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, Memorial 09:30 17:30 (<i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i>)
Sun 29th	Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 10:00 People of the Parish



When Jesus teaches 'if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you' many of his followers reject him. What Jesus is speaking of is the Eucharist, the sacrament of his risen self which he gives to his disciples at the Last Supper and which is made present to us in its fullness in the Mass. We truly receive the Lord's body and blood in the Mass, under the forms of bread and wine. This is indeed life: the risen life of Jesus who nourishes us with his very self. Christ feeds us to strengthen us in this life and to prepare us for the life to come, the heavenly banquet where, by the mercy of God and the forgiveness of our sins, we too may share in the risen life of Jesus for eternity. There is truly no-one else to whom we can go, as St Peter says: 'You [Jesus] have the message of eternal life.' **Mgr Matthew**



Memorial of Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God (Thursday 26th August)

Dominic Barberi (1792 – 1849) was a priest of the Passionist Congregation which played a major role in the revival of the Catholic faith in England in the nineteenth century. Known as the 'apostle of England', Bl Dominic received John Henry Newman (then an Anglican minister) into Full Communion with the Catholic Church in 1845. Bl Dominic was beatified by Pope Paul VI in 1963; John Henry Newman was canonised by Pope Francis in 2019.

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-10.45

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

This Week's Liturgy Group: Mark
Next Week's Liturgy Group: Luke

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest

Please wear a face mask while in Church

'You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions'

Mass Times

Sat 28th	St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, Memorial 09:30 17:30 (<i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i>)
Sun 29th	Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 10:00 People of the Parish
Mon 30th	Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward, Martyrs, Memorial 09:30
Tues 31st	Feria 09:30 Irene Barber RIP
Weds 1st	Feria 09:30 Irene Dionisio RIP
Thurs 2nd	Feria 09:30 Cathy Desmond RIP
Fri 3rd	St Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church, Feast 09:30
Sat 4th	The Blessed Virgin Mary 09:30 17:30 (<i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i>)
Sun 5th	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 10:00 People of the Parish 12:00 Baptism

This Week's Liturgy Group: Luke
Next Week's Liturgy Group: John

NEW ROTA FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Dear Volunteers, please pick up the new Rota at the back of the Church. Thanks for your all of your help at the Parish.



We are taught the meaning of the Law and the Prophets of Israel by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. It is through faith in Jesus that we have life: the true meaning of life in all its beauty and dignity in this world; and the promise of life in the world to come: a life that, by God's mercy, is freed from the corruption of sin and death. This new life is nothing less than a sharing in the risen life of Jesus. The risen Lord is indeed 'the way, the truth and the life.' (John 14:6) **Mgr Matthew**

Feast of Pope St Gregory the Great (Friday 3rd September)



St Gregory the Great was Pope from 590 to his death in 604. The first Pope to be a monk, he was an outstanding administrator and used his family wealth for the needs of the poor in Rome. Seeing fair-haired English slaves in Rome, he dubbed them 'Angels not Angles' and in 597 sent St Augustine to England for the conversion of the English. St Augustine, whose Memoria we celebrate on 28th August, established his monastic community in Canterbury, the origin of the cathedral that stands today.

'The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist' (Pope St Gregory the Great)