

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 13th JULY 2024**

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Welcome!

Mass Intentions for the Week

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	Paul Carter RIP, Agata & Wojciech Stawiar-ski (thanksgiving)
Sun 14 July Fifteenth Sunday (B)	8.30am	Maria Tanner (Harkin) 3rd Anniv <i>(live streamed)</i>
<i>(St Mary's Denton)</i>	9.30am	Sr Paul (feast day), Joe Smyth RIP (Birthday)
	10.30am	Tom Dunne RIP
		Maria & Anthony Archer (Blessings), Mateta family, Chloe & David (Thanksgiving) <i>(live streamed)</i>
	6.00pm	Fr Moses Amune (Celebrating 30 years ordained)
Mon 15 July St Bonaventure	9.15am	Dorota Glinkowski (wellbeing)
Tues 16 July Our Lady of Mount Carmel	9.15am	Tom Dunne RIP, Stephen Dowler RIP <i>(live streamed)</i>
Wed 17 July Feria	<u>Adoration 10.00am-12noon</u>	
	12 noon	Colm McGee RIP, Eileen O'Brien & family
Thurs 18 July Feria	9.15am	<i>(St John's School)</i>
Fri 19 July Feria	9.15am	Fr Moses Amune (Celebrating 30 years ordained)
Sat 20 July BVM	<u>Adoration after 10am Mass until 12.30pm (Reconciliation 11.30-12.30pm)</u>	
	10.00am	Vera Gleeson
First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	John Harkin (Anniv) <i>(live streamed)</i>
Sun 21 July Sixteenth Sunday (B)	8.30am	Tom Frisby & family, Gillian Bradley
<i>(St Mary's Denton)</i>	9.30am	Iris Elliott (wellbeing)
	10.30am	Colonel Mike Erhabor & Caroline Erhabor RIP <i>(live streamed)</i>



Please pray for the souls of all deceased parishioners, family and friends



Bababtunde Ebele Ijolah - Requiem at St John's 19th July @ 12noon

Patricia Berry - Reception into St Johns 22 July, Requiem 23rd July 11.30am

May God console their families. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace;

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time including....

- 14: Robin Anthony Whitaker, Thomas Gibson, Violet Margaret Chilmald
- 15: Albert Ballanger, Kevin McDermott, Joan Margaret Manwaring, Patrick James Walsh
- 16: David Gerard McCann, Brenda Joy Webster, Michael Keegan
- 17: Jane Brebner, Thomas Gibson
- 18: Mary Curran, John Joseph Harkin, Bridget Veronica Gannon, Denis John Hunt, Thomas Patrick Gilhooly, Claire Margaret Burns, Norman Stanley Jones,
- 19: Robert Duggan, Lauren Kember, James Loakman, John Joseph Hughes, Della Maria Gibbons, Derek Newland Carter, Alan William Downes,
- 20: Roy Carter, Peter Anthony Hilton Kelly, Brendan Michael Moriarty, Anne Mary Christina Cassidy
- 21: Kathleen Veronica Webster, Isobelle Bradley, Winifride Mary Tutton, Frances Teresa Sylvester, Pauline Thomas, Ronald Newell, Tony Mulchrone, Mary Josephine Kennedy, Marie Sheila Farnworth, Margaret Devenney ***May they rest in peace...***



Sick/housebound Please contact the parish office and let us know of neighbours/family members who are unable to come to Church and would like to receive Communion or call 07405803862. We remember in our prayers those who are sick, housebound or in hospital & those who care for them and their families. **Please, when on admission in the hospital or care home, volunteer the information of your faith as you won't be asked ordinarily.**

Confirmation We congratulate our young people who were Confirmed last Saturday. They will be receiving their certificates at the 10.30am Mass this weekend.

First Holy Communion Preparation for Children at Non Catholic Schools Application forms are now available at the back of the Church. Sr Elizabeth will start preparation classes on Saturday 28th September. **Please return completed forms to the parish office or hand to one of the Priests**

Diaconal Day This weekend we are celebrating our first Archdiocesan Diaconal Day, during which we pray for the Permanent Deacons serving in our Archdiocese as well as we pray for new vocations to this ministry. If you are a man between 21 to 58 years, prayerful, with the desire to love God and God's people, you are involved in services within your parish and community, you have tried many things and still feel drawn to a closer relationship with Christ and His Church you might possibly be called to be a Permanent Deacon? If you require further information about the Permanent Diaconate, please speak to your Fr Moses or contact the Diaconate Formation Director via e-mail: ianblack@rcaos.org.uk.

Foodbank We will be collecting donations for the Foodbank at all Masses this weekend 13th & 14 July. The most needed items are, Tinned Veg & Meat, Crackers & Biscuits, Tinned Custard, Baked Beans, Honey and Squash. Thank you

Tabletop Sale We hope to hold a charity tabletop sale outside the church next Saturday July 20th from 9am to 1pm (weather permitting)

Archbishop John Wilson The Archbishop has recently returned from Nigeria where he was invited to ordain ten priests for the Missionary Society of St Paul. He has written a lovely message about his trip. Please take a copy at the back of the Church or visit rcsouthwark.co.uk

Fr Innocent 25th Celebration Please see Fr Innocent's letter of thanks which is on the noticeboard to read.

Baptism We welcome into our parish family Leonardo Vega Bebel, Koda Peek and Isabella Peek who were baptized this weekend. Application forms for Baptism are available from the back of the Church or the parish office. Families need to attend a talk before the baptism. Please phone/email the office if you wish to attend (Next session is Monday 9th Sept).

Last weeks collections £1272.22. **This week second collection:** Stella Maris. A Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide relying on voluntary contributions. They provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers regardless of nationality or belief. Thank you for your continued generosity and to those people who pay by standing order and contactless. Gift aid, standing order, bank details are available at the back of the Church or contact the parish office.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Christ is really present in the Blessed Sacrament; come and talk heart to heart with Him, either on Wed (10am-12noon) or Sat after 10am Mass until 12.30pm; or 1st Friday 24 hour Adoration

KSC Dinner Dance 3 August 5.30-9.30pm Please see flyer for full details. Tickets are £25 per person available from a member of the Knights. Please buy a ticket and enjoy a great evening with music, dance, relaxation and interaction.

200 Club June Winners 1st: £55 - Sunday Teas, 2nd: £35 - Bridie Loughlin, 3rd: £25 - C. Moreton, 4th: £15 - Betty Matthews. We held the draw on Wednesday 3rd July in the Coffee Bar. Thank you for your support.

Wednesday Tea/Coffee Refreshments are served in the Coffee bar after 12 noon Mass. All welcome.

Keep Fit Everyone is welcome to join our gentle exercise class in the coffee bar on Wednesday at 1.15pm. Exercises may be done seated or standing. 30 minutes £3 a session.

30th Priestly Ordination Anniversary I wish to thank you all for your prayers and support; I cherish the Primary School cards from the children greatly. God bless. Fr Moses

International Mass Meeting There will be a meeting on Tuesday 23rd July @7.30pm in the Coffee Bar for everyone involved or wants to be involved in our Mass on the 15th September. All welcome.

Our Annual International Mass Sunday 15th September 10.30am at St John's Catholic Comprehensive School. Can your community help to sing a part of the Mass? *10.30am Mass that day will be moved to the Comprehensive; there will be no 9.30am Mass at Denton*

New Lectionary - Ambo Edition The Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages. The set of 4 volumes cost £695 and we require sets for our Churches and Schools. If you are interested, we would like to invite people of the parish, to make a donation of £175 (There would be 4 donations of £175 for each set). A donor Bookplate will be inserted in the front page saying who it was presented by. Please contact Fr Moses or Fr Stephen if you would like to sponsor one of the sets or email the office.

Padre Pio Prayer Group each Tuesday straight after 9.15am Mass in the Cry Chapel. All welcome to join us in prayer. We especially remember our sick friends and family.

Please see the parish website for all our prayer groups.