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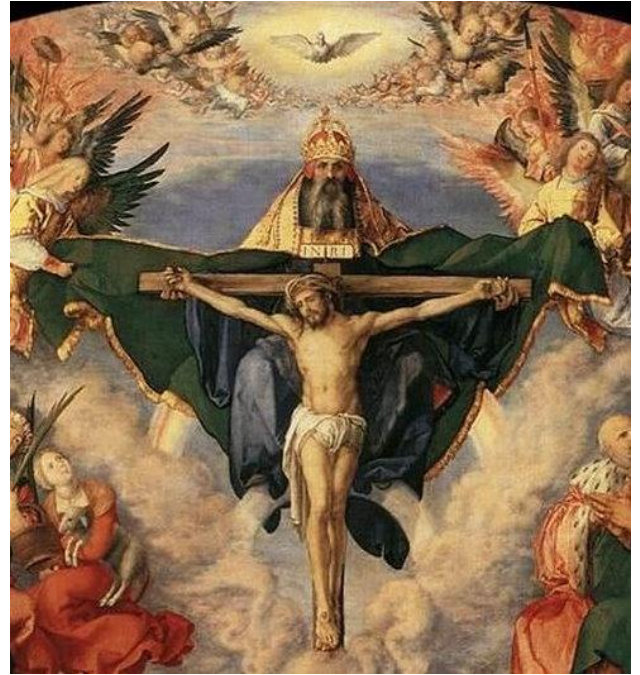
Trinity Sunday

27th May 2018

Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News

Mass Times

- 26th Sat Saint Philip Neri**
 9.30
 10.00 Confessions
 17.30 Tim Nolan +
- 27th Sun The Most Holy Trinity**
 10.00 Gabriel Du Plessis
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 28th Mon St Augustine of Canterbury**
 9.30 Rosa Irma Bonilla, Armando Montes
 Luis Manuel Riascos, Ester Castro +
- 29th Tue Feria**
 9.30 Michael Lamb +
- 30th Wed Feria**
 9.30
- 31st Thu Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 9.30 Veronica Lamb
- 1st Fri Saint Justin**
 9.30
- 2nd Sat Feria**
 9.30
 10.00 Confessions
 17.30
- 3rd Sun Corpus Christi**
 10.00 Theresa McLaughlin +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*



Adoration of the Holy Trinity, Albrecht Dürer (1511)

St Augustine of Canterbury

On Monday of this week we celebrate the feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, it falls on Sunday but is transferred to Monday. It is an important day in the life of the Catholic Church in these islands.

Britain had a Christian presence existing from the the Roman period until the Anglo-Saxon invasions. The Romans left Britain in 410 AD and the Saxons and other Germanic tribes invaded from 449-550 AD. By the time the invasion was complete the Bishops and most of the faithful Christian population had been pushed back as far as Wales leaving the main part of England dominated by a Pagan culture. Pope Gregory sent Augustine and forty monks to re-evangelise England and they arrived here in 597 AD. Augustine was very successful in his task and became known as the Apostle of the English.

At the beginning he was received cautiously by the King of Kent, Ethelbert, whose wife was a Christian. Soon the King was converted and many of his subjects were baptised. Augustine established the Diocese of Canterbury and then Dioceses in London and Rochester. It is largely due to the efforts of St Augustine and his followers that Christianity was once again established in this country. *Fr Alex*

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer, Easter:

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work, Right Use of Media, the Church

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Mark

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest

Altar Servers

If any of the children who have just made their First Communion this year wishes to become an Altar Server they should come along to the Sacristy about ten minutes before mass so we can get them ready. We can then induct them into the mysteries of Altar Serving gradually over a period of time. We value their contribution.

**Life is not a matter of
holding good cards,
but playing a poor hand well**

Robert Louis Stevenson

Life Coaching

If you would like to have fun, transform your life and be happy try Life Coaching on Saturdays 11.00-12.00 in the Rice Room. First Session free, after that £7 per session. Starts Saturday 26th May. See poster.

St John's Seminary

Our former parish priest Mgr. Gerry Ewing is now the vice rector of St John's Seminary at Womersley. He has been given the task of renovating this very large building. He has launched an appeal across the diocese and we will be taking up a second collection for this purpose on 15th July. £2,000 is needed to renovate each room. If you would like to help cheques can be sent directly to him at St John's Seminary, Womersley, Guildford GU5 0QX.

Salesian Sisters

The Salesian Sisters will be making a Mission Appeal here on 2nd/3rd June. They are quite an impressive Order with 12,245 sisters with 300 novices in training and they work in 93 countries in the world.

**Most of us spend too much time
on what is urgent and
not enough time on what is important**

APF Missio Red Boxes

Please bring back your Missio Red Box asap.
Thank you for your donations and support.

Easter Duties

You will be aware that Easter Duties are still an obligation for all Catholics. This means that we are required to go to Confession and to receive Holy Communion at least once between Ash Wednesday and today Trinity Sunday.

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council 5th June
Seniors Club 6th June
Eucharistic Congress..... 7th-9th September

GK Chesterton

Talk by Canon John Udris who is investigating the Cause for GK Chesterton's Beatification. 19.00-21.00, 14th June 2018. For a free ticket ask the Centre for Catholic Formation 020 8672 7684, 21 Tooting Bec Road SW17 8BS.

Alcoholics Anonymous Prayer

God, I offer myself to thee -
to build with me
and to do with me as thou wilt.
Relieve me of the bondage of self,
that I may better do thy will.
Take away my difficulties,
that victory over them may bear witness
to those I would help of thy Power,
thy Love, and thy Way of life.
May I do thy will always!

**You should never be ashamed
to admit you have been wrong
It only proves you are wiser today
than yesterday**

Jonathan Swift

Gift Aid

All Parishioners who are in the Gift Aid Scheme need to collect their Gift Aid boxes and letter. Please do so from the back of the church after Sunday mass. Thank you for your donations and support.

Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on 5th June at 19.00. Due to Father Alex's illness he will be unable to be present but the meeting will go ahead anyway.

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £558.90, Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

3rd June Salesian Mission Appeal, 10th June Catholic Trust, 17th June Day for Life, 29th June Peter's Pence, 8th July Apostleship of the Sea, 15th July St John's Seminary Refurbishment.

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: Azevado,
M Figueiredo n/w E Chavez. R Martella

Readers: Sat: C Wilkins, E De Souza, H Pall Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy, n/w Sat: R & S Jackson Sun: A Burnett, T Greetham, A Kane Blanes

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: D McGavin, K Dolan Sun: G Donaldson, Steve Palmer, R Kuleke, D Lyons n/w Sat: M & S Lee Sun: G D'Monte, V Chima, A Kilcawley, R McMullan

Flowers: L Northeast n/w A Robbins

Royal Hospital: Sr Pauline n/w C Kawesi

Maintenance team: 11.00 9th June, 14th July