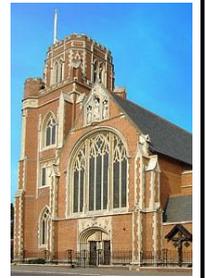




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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th August 2019

I have come to bring fire to the earth

Mass Times

- 17th Sat St Lawrence**
 9.30 No Mass
 Confessions before or after 5.30 mass
 17.30 John Greenham +
- 18th Sun Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Anne Thornton +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 19th Mon Feria**
 9.15 Rose Flynn +
- 20th Tue St Bernard**
 9.15 Clifford Allen Collier+
- 21st Wed St Pius X**
 9.15 Mervyn Lee Wellbeing
- 22nd Thu Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 9.15 Kayleigh Lowe +
- 23rd Fri St Rose of Lima**
 9.15 Antonio Delos Santos +
- 24th Sat St Bartholomew**
 9.30 No Mass
 Confessions before or after 5.30 mass
 17.30 Rene Aurelio Sauchelli +
- 25th Sun Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Antonia Ntanga Wellbeing
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

Confessions:

During August before or after Saturday 5.30 mass

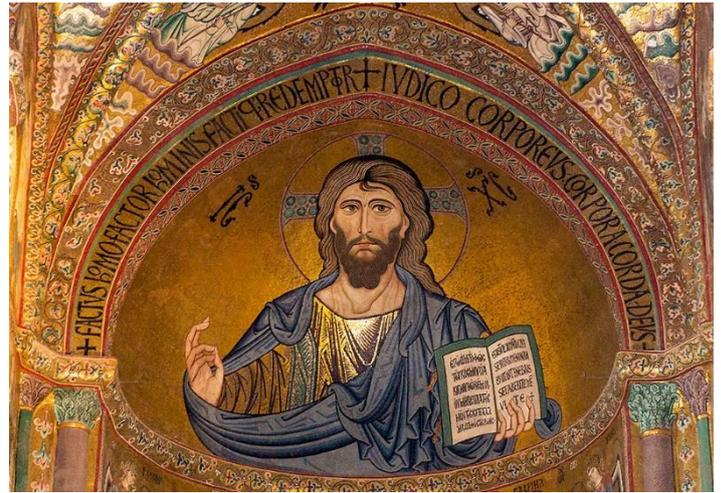
Sunday Readings: Year C **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

Cycle of Prayer, Summer:

Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews,
 Those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression, and Denial of
 Human Rights, Europe, Human Life, Seafarers

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Mark

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Christ Pantocrator, Cefalù Cathedral, Sicily

A Prayer for the Dying

Go forth,
 O Christian soul,
 in the name of God the Father almighty,
 who created you,
 in the name of Jesus Christ,
 the Son of the living God,
 who suffered for you,
 in the name of the Holy Spirit,
 who was given to you,
 in the name of the holy and glorious Mary,
 Virgin Mother of God,
 in the name of blessed Joseph,
 in the name of the angels, archangels and prophets,
 of the holy apostles and evangelists,
 of the holy martyrs, confessors, monks and hermits,
 of the holy virgins and of all the saints of God,
 may peace be yours this day,
 and may your home be in heaven.
 Through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

Holiday Arrangements

Father Alex is away on holiday during August. Please note that there will be no mass on Saturday mornings during August. Confessions will be before or after mass on Saturday nights. Father Louis Kouevi from St Joseph's, Roehampton will be covering while Father Alex is away.

**Worry is like a rocking chair;
it gives you something to do
but it doesn't get you anywhere**

Mass Intentions

If you would like us to offer mass for a particular intention please take a small envelope from the back of the Church, print the name of the intention clearly, to prevent any misunderstanding, and put it through the letterbox. A donation can be included. Mass cards are available for you to use if necessary. We will publish the names of the mass intentions in the newsletter. If you wish to have the mass offered on a special date please indicate this on the envelope.

Organ

Our organ specialist and tuner has informed us that the organ in our Church needs some important repairs. Apparently, the organ was completely overhauled in the 1990's but the work was very poorly done and the firm that did it went out of business shortly after. It is a splendid instrument but we are being told that it desperately needs work to be done in the near future. We don't have an estimated cost at this stage but it is thought to be around £15,000. Parts will need to be taken away to a workshop for overhaul and our consultant, Donald McKenzie, will oversee the work to ensure it is done to a high standard. We will need to take up a series of second collections to help fund these unexpected expenses. Also, we ought to make fundraising events for the organ a priority in the coming year or so. We will start by taking up second collections on a monthly basis. The organ certainly enhances the liturgy and we need to keep our marvellous organ in first class condition. Thank you for your support in this matter.

**A house is built by hands,
but a home is built by heart**

Altar Servers

If any of the children who have just made their First Communion this year wish to become an Altar Server they should come to the Sacristy ten minutes before mass so we can get them ready. We greatly value their contribution.

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council17th September
Parish Council26th November

Going to University this Autumn?

Each University and Higher Education Institute in the country has a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based either in the University or in the parish.



The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith, to meet people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach.

If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. For addresses see the special website www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk



Movie Show

There will be a movie show called 'Ladies in Lavender' on **Wednesday 28th August at 10.30** in the Corry Hall. It is organised by David Davies. Seniors and any others are most welcome.

An Evening Prayer

God our father, you have been our guide and our help throughout this day; stay with us now throughout the night. May your light enlighten and purify our hearts, and keep us vigilant in faith, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**You go to Church on Sunday
so you can bring Christ
to work on Monday**

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £ 397 Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

Catholic Education 8th September, Home Missions
15th September, Organ Fund 29th September

Rotas

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

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

Royal Hospital: Sr Pauline n/w C Kawesi

Maintenance Team: 11.00 Saturday 14th September