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OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH, SLOUGH, SL1 1XU

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors and friends who are celebrating with us.

Mass Times & Intentions this Week

SUN 25/07/2021 MASS: 9am, Marguerite Byrne RIP & Jim, Pam Gonsalves, Judith Fernandes 11.00 am Philomena	
Eyo RIP and 6.30pm: People of the Parish.	
MON. MASS - 9.30 am	TUES . No Mass (Office Hours – Church is open).
WED. MASS - 9.30 am	THURS. No Mass (Office Hours – Church is open)
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FRI. Adoration at 12.00 & MASS at 12.30pm	SAT. No Mass

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9 am Mass: K Shaw

11amMass: : J Idigo, S Marriromba

6.30 pm: Grace O

Next Sunday

9am Mass: J McNiece 11amMass: J Mbulo, P Iwu 6.30pmMass: Sr. Susan, Olivia G

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass:, N Sequeira, J Mcniece 11am Mass: M Bullen, J Mbulo

6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers

9am Mass: A Nyanhete-S, Sr. Nicholas

11am Mass: J Idigo, J Mbulo

6.30pm Mass:

Collection last week:

Loose cash £ 576.00

Envelopes. £.201.00

Thank you for your generous giving, May God bless all.

You can support the parish by Standing Order or paying directly to: R.C.D.N St. Ethelbert Catholic Church Slough A/C 46714642 Sc 600611.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 9.00am, 11.00am and 6.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 9.30am. FRIDAY 12.30pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Friday 12.00 – 12.30pm

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: First Saturday of the Month 3.00pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: Registration is on, preparation from October onwards

CONFIRMATION 2021: Registration is on – contact the Priest after Sunday Mass. RCIA - SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION: Contact the Parish Priest on office days. **WEDDING**: By appointment with the Parish Priest (Five months' notice is required).

FUNERAL: By arrangement with the Parish Priest.

RECONCILIATION/COUNSELING: First & last Sat. of the month 11.00am -12.30pm

VISITATION TO THE SICK: by arrangement with the Priest during Office Hours.

MASS REQUEST/BOOKING: Envelopes are available in the Church (write your intention,

and please hand to the Priest or place in presbytery letterbox).

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: Welcoming New Parishioners/Visitors: During Sunday Mass. SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS/DOCUMENTS: Contact the Priest on Office Days. CHURCH CLEANING AND UPKEEP: Monday after Mass, & Saturday, pls help.

PIETY/BOOKSHOP: Sunday after Mass (Back of the Church).

CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Newsletter, contact the Parish Priest

BLESSINGS:

FOR THE WORKING WEEK - MONDAY (after 9.30 Mass).

FOR THE WEEKEND – FRIDAY (at the end of Mass)

FOR BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS: First & Last Sunday of the Month.

HOLY WATER, RELIGIOUS ITEMS, VEHICLES, ETC.: Contact the Priest after Mass. CHILD DEDEICATION & BLESSING AFTER BAPTISM: First Sunday of the Month. THANKSGIVING MASS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS: Contact the Parish Priest for booking.

FAMILY OFFERTORY PROCESSION: To resume in September.

PRIEST'S DAY OFF: MONDAY.

PRIEST'S OFFICE DAYS/HOURS - TUES. AND THUR. 11am - 12.30 & 5.30-6.30pm The Priest is available to meet parishioners during office hours on Church/faith related

matters.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world. receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

BIDDING PRAYERS:

Reader: We pray for the whole world, Response (All): 'Give us this day our daily bread'.

Please Pray for: the Sick and Housebound Parishioners.

Those who died recently and all departed parishioners - RIP.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear.' 'Give it to the people to eat', Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some left over, as the Lord had said. **The Word of the Lord.**

<u>Responsorial Psalm</u> - *Ps.144:* You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel: John 6:1-15

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover. Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough, he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself. **The Gospel of the Lord**.

FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & ELDERLY

This World Day that we are celebrating today can help us to understand that all of us, young and old, grandparents and grandchildren, whether or not we belong to the same family, are "one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call". This awareness comforts us and shapes us as a people as we gather around the altar on which the Lord multiplies the bread of life and the Word of our salvation. The elderly – like the young – are important. Without them the body of the Church lacks something. That is why it is necessary for them to have their rightful place within each of our communities... Dear God, we remember all the elderly in our community and families and those who have died, bless and reward them, Amen. (*Liturgy Notes*).

Wishing all Parishioners and Friends Happy Sunday! – Fr Francis

CHURCH NOTICES

<u>Covid Safety guidance</u>: We need to adopt an attitude of care for everyone attending Mass and make the church a safe place. Please continue to use sanitizer, face cover, and keep a safe distance until further notice. *Do not attend Church if you are feeling unwell or have covid symptoms*. All ministers for Mass should resume. Let's Stay safe, thanks! We congratulate and appreciate all Grandparents and Elderly in our parish. May God bless and keep you in his love and peace.