



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



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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR -B

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

Mass Times and Intentions this Week

SUN 29/08/2021 MASS: 9am, Mr. & Mrs. Bonaventure De Azevedo – Thkgvg, Fr. Alban D'souza – RIP, Bridget Graham - RIP, Frank & Philomena Ferandes (RIP), Jeslan's bthday - Thkgvg 11.00 am Mrs. Okorodudu Bthdy- Thkgvg, Euripide Salzano (Healing) and Antonio Aleuquerque & family (Good health and God's protection). 6.30pm: People of the Parish	
MON. MASS - 9.30 am Federa Monterio – Brthdy Thkgvg,	TUES. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>).
WED. MASS - 9.30 am Pearl Heldi -RIP	THURS. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>)
FRI. Adoration at 12.00 & MASS at 12.30pm	SAT. No Mass
SUN 05/09/2021 MASS: 9.00am , Andrew Amelia Pereira -RIP 11.00 am Ian Zac Khan (good health) and 6.30pm: Miss Maria Martins – Thkgvg, Lourence Cardozo - Thkgvg, Jose Manuel, Joaquim and Maria A. Rodrigues (RIP)	

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9 am Mass : G Dias
 11amMass: : R Mushore, J Idigo
 6.30 pm: Sr, Susan, Olivia G

Next Sunday

9am Mass: K Shaw
 11amMass: L Adoh, E ketter
 6.30pmMass: Simon M, Grace O

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass:, A Sheehy, N Sequeira
 11am Mass: J Idigo, 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 £661.00
 Env: £207.50

Thank you for your generous giving.
We thank those supporting the
Church by Standing Order or paying
directly to:

R.C.D.N St. Ethelbert Catholic Church
Slough A/C 46714642 Sc 600611.

God bless and reward all.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

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

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Friday 12.00 – 12.30pm

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: First Saturday of the Month **2.30pm**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: Preparation from September/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: Every Sunday.

SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS/DOCUMENTS: Contact the Priest on Office Days.

CHURCH CLEANING AND UPKEEP: Monday after Mass, & Saturday, pls help.

PIETY SHOP/REPOSITORY: Sunday after Mass (at the back of the Church).

CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Bulletin, p/s arrange with the 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 DEDICATION & 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 (PP NOT AVAILABLE)

PRIEST'S OFFICE DAYS/HOURS: TUES. & THUR. 11am – 12.30 & 5.30- 6.30pm

The Priest is available to meet Parishioners on office days, No prior appointment.

Please wear a face mask in Church and office, except if you are exempt.

SUNDAY READINGS:

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, This 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: All that is good,
Response (All): **comes down from the Father of light**

Please Pray for: the Sick and Housebound Parishioners. Those who died recently and all departed parishioners - RIP.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?' **The Word of the Lord**

Responsorial Psalm: 14(15) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: James 1:17-18,21-22,27

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honour me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless; the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.' **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Sunday Gospel and Life: BELIEVING IN OUR HEARTS

Do we keep God's commandments? How can we show we truly believe in God and that our worship is free of hypocrisy? Do we seek to live in the presence of the Lord, doing what is right and just? The danger is that we can easily forget about important teachings of Jesus while we get busy with less important things. Let us remember Jesus' teachings about God, love, unity, forgiveness, faith, prayer, hope, salvation, and the need to give our hearts to the Lord: **Conversion of our hearts.**

Wishing all Parishioners and Friends Happy Sunday! – Fr Francis

MEETING: The Parish Priest and Pastoral Council will meet with the Liturgical Groups in our Parish or their Representatives: Readers, Communion Ministers, Choirs, Altar Servers, flowers decoration team, Ushers/Cleaning team, etc (in the 9am, 11am and 6.30pm Masses) - on Wednesday 1st Sept. 2021, at 7.30 pm. Venue: Church. Purpose: Returning to full Church. Please attend, thank you.

Birthday Blessing: Happy Birthday to August Celebrants! May the Lord bless and grant you long life!

Project to Improve Worship in the Parish: As Covid makes it difficult to use Mass and hymn books to aid our worship, we would like to install 3 TV Screens to project parts of Mass, Prayers and hymns and make the altar more visible for those sitting on the 2 wings of the Church. **We are appealing to our good and generous parishioners for donation of the following items: 3 TV Screens 50" - £329.99 each, Full motion Brackets £68.99 each, HDMI cord £19.00 each, 1 Camera: £670, a laptop – any available one. P/s Contact Father.**