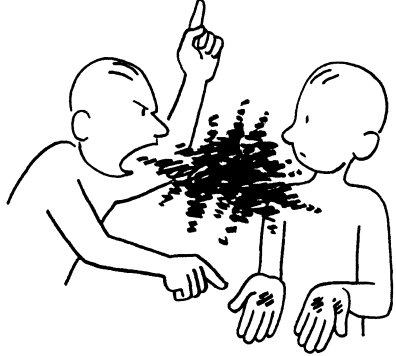


<b>TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b> <i>(World Day of Prayer for Creation)</i> Deut. 4; 1-2, 6-8; Ps. 14; Jas. 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27; Mk. 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23	
<b>Saturday 31st August 2024</b> 5:00 - 6:00pm: <b>CONFESSIONS</b> 6:00 - 6:20pm <b>HOLY ROSARY</b> 6:30pm: Phil Elsey RIP (Love Family)	<b>Sunday 1st September 2024</b> 8:00: <b>Holy Rosary</b> 8:30am: Cathy Bull RIP (Doherty) 10:30am: People of the Parish
<b>Mon. 2nd Sept. 2024</b> (Feria) 8:00: <b>Holy Rosary and Adoration</b> 9:15am: Maureen Saunders RIP (Francis Family)	<b>ST. GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH</b> <b>Tuesday 3rd September 2024</b> 8:00: <b>Holy Rosary and Adoration</b> 9:15am: Bernie Youngs RIP (Galibardy)
<b>Weds. 4th Sept. 2024</b> (Feria) 8:00: <b>Holy Rosary and Adoration</b> 9:15am: Salvador Vaz RIP (Sucorina and Family) 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom	<b>Thurs. 5th Sept. 2024</b> (Feria) 8:00: <b>Holy Rosary and Adoration</b> 9:15am: Leonard Moore RIP
<b>FIRST FRIDAY</b> <b>Friday 6th Sept. 2024</b> (Feria) 9:15am: Richard Hanrahan RIP and Regina Bernard RIP (Patricia Hanrahan and Family)	<b>FIRST SATURDAY</b> <b>Sat. 7th Sept. 2024</b> (Feria) 7:30am: First Saturday Devotions 8:15AM: FOR 'THE MARCH FOR LIFE'. 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom
<b>TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b> <i>(Education Sunday)</i> Is. 35: 4-7; Ps. 145; Jas. 2: 1-5; Mark 7: 31-37	
<b>Saturday 7th September 2024</b> 5:00 - 6:00pm: <b>CONFESSIONS</b> 6:00 - 6:20pm <b>HOLY ROSARY</b> 6:30pm: Holy Souls	<b>Sunday 8th September 2024</b> 8:00: <b>Holy Rosary</b> 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: George Easton RIP (Laws)
<b>ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH</b>	
John Arrowsmith, James Loughrey, Thomas O'Connell, Elizabeth Greatorex, Mgr. James McGettrick, D. Carroll, Kate Canning, Mabel Coligan, Kay Gillespie, Helga Connors, Brendan Cunningham.	
<b>OBEY THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.</b>	
Christ did not come to set aside the commandments but to fulfil them. I His lifestyle He shows us how we are to act in order to witness to the power of God's Word within us. <b>FAITH WITHOUT GOOD WORKS IS DEAD</b> and we show we are God's people by our care of those in need. In this way we place our trust in God.	



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*He (JESUS) 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"*  
Mark 7:15



**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE -  
CONFESSION -**  
*SATURDAYS 5pm TO 6pm also,  
WHENEVER THE CHURCH IS OPEN,  
and ON REQUEST.*

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**SUNDAY OFFERINGS: 24th/25th AUGUST 2024**  
**Gift Aid: £ 269.00; Card: £ 100.28; Loose Plate: £ 196.50**

**MASS ATTENDANCE: 208**

Thank you for your continuing generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David.*

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

**This weekend:** for **THE PARISH BUILDING FUND.**

**Next weekend:** for **THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE (CES).** The CES acts on behalf of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to support Catholic education. They have a strong and positive working relationship with the British and Welsh governments, sharing the aims of high academic standards for all, and increased parental choice.

**Gift Aiders can use one of the donation envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number,** others please use one of the **Square Brown Envelopes** available at the Church Door.

**PLEASE ADD YOUR GIFT AID NUMBER. YOUR DONATION CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO THE GIFT AID SCHEME IF YOUR GIFT AID NUMBER IS NOT ON THE ENVELOPE.**

**14th/15th September: EVANGELII GAUDIUM (HOME MISSION) SUNDAY.**

This collection provides the Bishops of England and Wales with the resources to support Home Mission, the spread of the Gospel in our own country. The money collected enables a breadth of work to be done in support of parish evangelisation.

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**

If we are to keep our worship of God in true focus we must call attention to what we are doing. Jesus is telling us that while man looks to appearances, God looks to the heart and cannot be deceived. He is demanding that our innermost thoughts as well as our outward actions stand up to God's scrutiny. We are to be continually searching out what God wants of us.

**THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER IS DEDICATED TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS,** whose memorial the Church celebrates on **THE 15TH SEPTEMBER.**

Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows became a standard devotion in the Church around the 14th century.

It was revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373) that devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary's Seven Sorrows would bring great signal graces.

**The devotion consists in praying seven Hail Mary's while meditating on the Seven Sorrows of Mary.** Mary, in a unique way, willingly suffered alongside her Divine Son as he gave his life to save the world, and she felt the bitterness of his passion as only a mother can.

This devotion is especially remembered during September, and during the season of Lent.



*Of your Charity, please pray for the repose of the Soul of*

**JOHN EVERSON** who died on the 7th August 2024.

**FUNERAL:** Monday 9th September 2024 at **12.30pm**

**BURIAL:** Russell Stoneham Churchyard

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HIM, LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. MAY HIS SOUL, AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.**

**ST. MARY OF THE CRAY'S COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB**

The Social Club is having the following events in September:

**BINGO** on **SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER** with eyes down at **12.15PM.**

**DVD HORSE RACE NIGHT** on **SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER.**

Doors open at 7.30pm with first race at 8pm. A fun evening for all the family and children especially welcome. No entry fee and with 50p tote bet available. Why not sponsor a race for £10 or name a horse for £3 with £12 for the winner.

Please see poster and club member in reception area after Mass, or at the bar.

Please support the Parish both socially and financially and enjoy.

**100 CLUB**

Come and join our 100 Club. Please see Jim Saunders. It is a great way to raise Parish funds and for the Building Fund. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention September 2024**

For the cry of the earth.

Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

**BRINGING FAITH TO LIFE 2024/2025**

**LONDON JESUIT CENTRE**

Short courses on Social and Environmental Justice, Spirituality, Philosophy and Theology.

More information at [www.londonjesuitcentre.org](http://www.londonjesuitcentre.org)

**Please pray for the members of our Parish Family who are sick:**

Anita Claridge, Anna Idahosa, Barry Alfred Colville, Bernard Glazier, Bernie Francis, Bridget Whitaker, Canon Jeremiah Cronin, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Christina Redmond, Clare Cooney, Erin, Fr. John Ryan, Fr. Morty O'Shea, Felicity Dyer, Jackie Dawson, Jackie Santo, Joan Veronica McCormack, Linda Rawlinson, Liz Algar, Luc Fitzpatrick, Margaret Harrington, Maria Hanks, Marie Rogerston, Pat Goodwin, Pat McGrory, Patrick Taylor, Pauline Cornell, Pauline White, Rita Pearce and Sean Tansey.

**PLEASE, DO YOU KNOW OF ANY ONE ELSE WHO, WITH THEIR PERMISSION, OUGHT TO BE ON THIS LIST?**