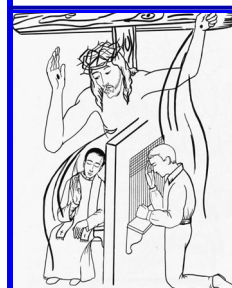


NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Wis. 18: 6-9; Ps. 32; Heb. 11: 1-2, 8-19; Luke 12: 32-48	
Saturday 9th August 2025 5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS 6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY 6:30pm: Thanksgiving (McKie)	Sunday 10th August 2025 8:30am: Thanksgiving Clive Ayesha Baby Luis 10:30am: People of the Parish
ST. CLARE, VIRGIN Monday 11th August 2025 8:00: Holy Rosary 9:15am: Luigina Guala	Tues. 12th August 2025 (Feria) (ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL, RELIGIOUS) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Alexander Greatorex RIP FM
Weds. 13th August 2025 (Feria) (ST. PONTIAN, POPE AND ST. HIPPOLYTUS, PRIEST, MARTYRS) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Fr. Michael Coles RIP n/s 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom Sr. Rita (Sr. Maura LSU)	ST. MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE, PRIEST AND MARTYR Thursday 14th August 2025 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Thanksgiving (B. Khader)
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Friday 15th August 2025 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Kitty Milburn RIP (Murrell) 7:30pm: Deceased parishioners n/s	Sat. 16th August 2025 (Feria) (ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY) 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Jer. 38: 4-6, 8-10; Ps. 39; Heb. 12: 1-4; Luke 12: 49-53	
Saturday 16th August 2025 5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS 6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY 6:30pm: Maura Parker RIP (Hull)	Sunday 17th August 2025 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Irene Fernandes RIP
ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH	
Philip Dennehy, Alexander Greatorex, Sr. Ita Hynes, Margaret Mary Waugh, Joyce Daly, Carmen Aprahamian, Bernard Coligan, Antonietta Dobby, Francis Stickings, Tommy Jennings, Cecil Andrews, George Aprahamian, Kenneth Parker.	
YOU MUST STAND READY.	
We have to be ready when the Lord comes to call us to our heavenly home. A good life is the best preparation we can make. We will enter into a kingdom promised to us by our heavenly Father who through His own kindness and generosity has chosen us as His own.	



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Blessed are those servants
 whom the master
 finds awake when
 he comes.



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SUNDAY OFFERINGS 2ND/3RD AUGUST 2025:

Gift Aid: £287.10; Card: £106; Loose Plate: £620.01 ATTENDANCE: 183

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

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

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

Gift Aiders: please use one of the envelopes from the back of your box/bundle.

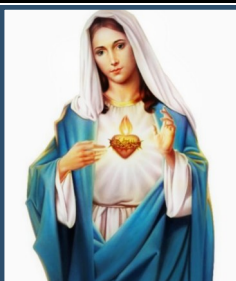
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Somehow the hand of God is in action weaving a pattern in and out of our lives, shaping our destiny. It is God's world and He knows what He is doing with it. This is our belief, it is our faith. It is not something that we can really describe. Faith is a type of window we look through which helps us to see life from a viewpoint beyond this world, enabling us to take God at His word when He makes promises about the future and calls us to be His people, in a special way. Every day we are presented with opportunities of demonstrating our faithfulness as followers of Christ. If we avail of them we will be prepared and ready for the arrival of the master of the house whatever hour He chooses to come.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Feast of the Assumption gives us an opportunity to reflect on Mary who was the great background figure in the life of Christ, always co-operating with her Son.

This is a very joyful feast, proclaiming for us the Good News of salvation. It's a reminder that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit and that like Mary we are destined for glory. In fact we believe that what happened to Mary will happen to all of us. One day we too shall enjoy the vision of God in heaven as whole people — body and soul.



THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Since the Sixteenth Century the Catholic Church has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her Divine Son), virtue and inner life.

**FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST,
THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,
IS A HOLY DAY
OF OBLIGATION.**

**THERE WILL BE TWO MASSES AT
9:15AM AND 7:30PM.**

CHURCH FLOWERS

We have a collection box by the Sacristy to help us to continue to have the beautiful flowers in our Church throughout the year. Any contributions you could make are gratefully received and much appreciated.

GIFT AID

Tax Statements

Members who donated during the 2024-2025 tax year should have received a tax statement to their email address if we had that available. The statement can be used when filling in your tax return, if you have to do so. If you have not received a statement and wish to do so, please send an email to mike@bramernic.com from the email address that you want us to use. If you need a paper copy please either email, or text 07768 194487 with your request.

Second Collections

There has been some confusion about gift-aid for second collections. If the collection is for a Diocesan cause (e.g., Priest Training Fund, Poor Parishes), or for our Building Fund, then you can use an envelope from your box/bundle. If it is for another charity (e.g., Stella Maris, CAFOD) then you can only gift-aid your donations by using an envelope supplied by the charity and filling in your name and address on the envelope. Our scheme is part of the Southwark Diocese Charity and can only be used for collections benefitting any part of the Diocese.

Thank You

Finally, thank you again for all your generous donations to the parish. They, and the resulting gift-aid, really do help to ensure the parish mission can continue its work in Crayford and the surrounding area.

PLEASE NOTE THIS DATE IN YOUR BUSY DIARIES:

SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER PARISH INTERNATIONAL CELEBRATION DAY:
10:30am Holy Mass celebrated and sung in various languages,
and afterwards sharing of feast of foods from our international back-
grounds and cultures. What will you do, please?

100 CLUB WINNERS: AUGUST 2025 £50

59: PAT POYNTER;

85: ANGELA GILLESPIE

Cheques in the Sacristy

Please 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.

Employment Opportunity at SPUC
Join the Pro-Life Mission—SPUC Education Officer
(England)
To apply or find out more, visit: spuc.org.uk/joinourteam

London Catholic Social Group are hosting a Monthly Social for the over 30s, Saturday 16th August, 7pm, at The Peacock, Angel.
For more details of this and other events contact us on Facebook, WhatsApp via Brendan on 07425549408 or londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com.

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, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Catherine Edmeades, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Christina Redmond, Clare Cooney, Clare Gummett, Erin, Fr. John Ryan, Fr. Morty O'Shea, Felicity Dyer, Jackie Dawson, Joan Veronica McCormack, Linda Rawlinson, Liz Algar, Luc Fitzpatrick, Margaret Harrington, Marie Rogerston, Pat Goodwin, Pat McGrory, Patrick Taylor, Pauline White, Richard Hilsden, Rita Pearce and Sean Tansey.

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