

15TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

12th July 2020

Year A · Weekday II · Psalter Week 3

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Liturgies in the Cathedral

The Cathedral is open daily 0730 until 1830

Celebrant's Intention

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| Sunday 12th July 15 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 0900 · Mass 1100 · Mass 1630 · Vespers & Benediction 1645 · Confessions 1730 · Mass | Giacomo Calee Pandemic Victims + In thanksgiving |
| Monday 13th July S Henry | 0730 · Mass 1000 · Mass | Holy Souls Josefina & Joe Yeso |
| Tuesday 14th July S Camillus | 1000 · Mass 1900 · Mass (<i>followed by adoration</i>) 1930 · Confessions | Albert Brooks + Healthcare Workers |
| Wednesday 15th July S Bonaventure | 0730 · Mass 1000 · Mass | Parish Schoolchildren Barry Browne + |
| Thursday 16th July Our Lady of Mount Carmel | 1000 · Mass 1900 · Mass | Bishop Alan Hopes Sid Gledhill + |
| Friday 17th July Feria | 0730 · Mass 1000 · Mass | Manuel Lunario + Neville Doggett |
| Saturday 18th July BVM | 1000 · Mass (<i>followed by adoration</i>) 1030 · Confessions 1745 · Confessions 1800 · Mass 1845 · Confessions | Catherine Wolfe + Bourke Family + |
| Sunday 19th July 16 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 0900 · Mass 1100 · Mass 1300 · Mass (<i>in Polish</i>) 1630 · Vespers & Benediction 1645 · Confessions 1730 · Mass | Tomasz Walus + Pandemic Victims + For the People |

Prayers for the sick: Canon Paul, Fr John Warrington, Peter Warrington, Paul Horan, Liam McKenna, Philippa Barnes, Anthony Preston, Nancy Horner, Joan Marshall, Wood Family, Eleanor Bray, Lily Reid, Joe Heaney, Nina Strivens, Mary Ward, Dianne Yeadon, Chris Gillham, Peter Willets, Justina Adamska, Reece Sales, Nicholle Sales, Amanda Caistor, Patrick Champion and Brian Whitlam *GDPR compliant*

Going into hospital? Please inform the hospital ward itself that you or your Catholic relative would like to see the Catholic chaplain. The hospital chaplaincy arranges the Catholic chaplain to visit those who are admitted to hospital. **Priests will only be able to make physical home visits (other than phone visits) to those who are in danger of death.**

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Last weekend, we opened for the first time for the public celebration of the Mass. Many people were able to attend Mass for the first time in many months. Praise God for such a wonderful weekend.

Our **Mass and confession times are as normal**, with standard social distancing guidelines.

Because we can only fit around 200 persons in the Cathedral Church at any one time, please also consider attending Mass on a weekday. For the time being, the **Sunday obligation** remains dispensed, so that we can go to Mass on any day of the week, just in case we exceed our top limit.

Over time, we look forward to slowly reintroducing familiar liturgical practices, but for now we shall keep everything dignified and simple, so that everybody is kept safe, and feels safe in God's holy house. The Cathedral Church is open all day as usual, so you may visit at any time during the day.

In the Gospel today, Jesus, preaching from a boat – the ark of the Church – teaches the crowd the parable of the sower. The Lord is generous with his gifts of grace, but that *grace builds on our nature*; He works with what we give to Him, and He invites us to co-operate with His gifts. If we are not prudent, all and sundry will peck our gifts away, but if we are not generous, the seeds will dry up in our rocky hearts. The thorn bush reminds us of the thorns of Adam and Eve – God turns around our suffering experiences and makes use of them for the good: that's why the same thorns were woven into a crown for Him. By heeding these lessons, the soil of our heart (will; actions) and mind (intellect; ideas) becomes rich by His generous rain, and we then find, slowly, those divine seeds begin to germinate.

Today, we would normally keep "Sea Sunday," for the **Apostleship of the Sea**. They support chaplaincy ministry to seafarers (the merchant navy, fishermen, and cruise ship workers). **Many seafarers are Catholics** and are often unable to go home for months or years at a time, and rarely get the opportunity to receive the Sacraments. **Some cruise ships have Catholic crew complements larger than most of our parishes**. While we cannot take second collections at the moment, please do visit their website (apostleshipofthesea.org.uk) for information and to donate. Later in the year, there will be an opportunity for a second collection.

From next Sunday, Mass in Polish will move to Sunday 1pm. Normal schedule from September.

Daily Live Broadcasts from the Cathedral: view Mass online at **10am every day**. Visit: sjbcathedral.org.uk/live

Fr Andrew's podcast, *Ego Sum Via* is available to listen at <https://egosumvia.podbean.com>, and also on Spotify and iTunes.

Audio Visual Ministry – we need volunteers to help run our live broadcasting service for the daily 10am Mass and the Sunday 11am Mass. If you or a tech-capable friend or relative are interested, please contact Daniel Justin at music@sjbcathedral.org.uk

The **Justice and Peace Group** invite you to pray with us this month for our twinned project in **Tambogrande**, Peru. As a country, Peru has been hard hit by Covid 19. Many people in Tambogrande have little access to healthcare and running water into their homes, which can make infection control much more difficult. For further information about the group please feel free to contact Sarah Ebelewicz on scmebelewicz@hotmail.com.

CAFOD Coronavirus Appeal – find out more about how we can help pandemic victims in poorer countries, visit cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal

The **Duckett Library** remains closed to visitors, but if you need to borrow / return books, you may contact us by email (duckettlibrary@sjbcathedral.org.uk) and we can make arrangements to receive/issue them.

Mass intentions – more Masses – more intentions! Envelopes available at the back.

St Camillus had a troubled youth, but his own experiences of injury led him to service of the sick and poor; in our terms: he was a nurse. Ordained priest in 1584, he continued to nurse the sick, not only in body, but also their spiritual needs, especially plague victims and the war wounded. Even when he was dying, he would secretly care for the sick around him in the hospital. A saint for our own times; pray to St Camillus for our care workers.

St Bonaventure was a master of the Franciscan Order, a cardinal, and *almost* Archbishop of York. He received his doctorate alongside Thomas Aquinas. Later, the Pope would invite both men to compose texts and hymns for the new feast of Corpus Christi. When Thomas read his version out, Bonaventure wept with joy, and humbly ripped up his own work, stating that his poor attempt could not match Thomas's words. Bonaventure wrote beautifully about the image of God imprinted on all creation, and how all created things find their fulfilment – and happiness - in Christ alone.

Please pray for young Tomasz Walus who was tragically killed in a road traffic accident. Tomasz often volunteered in the Narthex. Please also pray for Adam, Iza and his whole family. All are welcome on Wednesday this week at 3pm, when some of the staff will gather for prayers for Tomasz and his family while his funeral is celebrated elsewhere. Later in the year a Requiem Mass will be celebrated here.

Please also pray for the repose of Barry Browne.