

<b>Saturday 10th July</b>	10am	Peck and Hayes Deceased Fam. Rev. Michael Etuka
<b>Sunday 11th July</b> 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am 12 Midday 5.30pm	Michael Cornally People of the parish Adam and Maria Miarka RIP
<b>Monday 12th July</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday 13th July</b> St Henry	10am	Holy Souls
<b>Wednesday 14th July</b> St Kateri Tekakwitha	10am	Peck and Hayes Fam.
<b>Thursday 15th July</b>	10am	Liana Lloyd RIP
<b>Friday 16th July</b> Our Lady of Mt Carmel	10:am 10:30am to 1pm 6.45pm (Latin Mass)	Domenico and Maria Grazia Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Souls
<b>Saturday 17th July</b>	10am 6pm	Fr David Peck Donor's Ints
<b>Sunday 18th July</b> 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am 12 Midday 5:30pm	Richard Hatch RIP People of the parish Daniel Thompson RIP

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:**  
 Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne ,Peggy Frost, Marlize Gauci, Shirley Monaco, Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, James Gledhill, Amanda Dearling, Florisa Di Valentino, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismond, Jane Sullivan, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Barry Mc Corkall, Jason Moreno and Josephine Moreno.  
 Please pray for all those who have died recently.

Together the Catholic parishes of Barnes, East Sheen, Ham, Kew, Mortlake, Putney, Richmond, Roehampton and Wimbledon Common form Mortlake Deanery.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**  
 To meet our budget we need £1,600 each week  
 Sunday's offering was £606.51  
 Standing Orders £250 **Total £856.51**  
**Thank you for your generosity**

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**This is a School Voucher Sunday**

**PARISH VOUCHER SYSTEM**  
 Those people who will require a school reference when applying to a Catholic School need to participate in this. By signing the vouchers the parish keeps a record of your mass attendance which is referred to when signing school reference forms.

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**15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**

**Michael Etuka's Diaconate Ordination Sat 3rd July 2021**



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# PARISH NEWS

### Fr David's Peck Homily 15th Sun.

What is God saying to us, through today's readings? It is about being sent as a prophet to assist Jesus with his work.

Let us remember last week's Gospel. It was Jesus at the synagogue at Nazareth, and him being rejected by his own townspeople. Remember, he said 'A prophet is not without honour, except amongst his own people.' Clearly, was identifying as a prophet.

Just to clarify, a prophet is not someone who predicts the future, but someone who speaks God's Word to the people of his time. Jesus was a prophet. He had been made a prophet at his baptism, the Holy Spirit came down on him, and he started his ministry. He was a prophet of the Kingdom of God, which he preached, in all his parables, and signalled by his healings and exorcisms, forgiving sins and table fellowship.

In today's Gospel, we find Jesus sending out the Twelve, to share in his prophetic mission. They are to preach about the coming Kingdom of God, and the need for 'repentance', and 'cast out many demons', and to go the 'sick and cured them'. They were to go in pairs, take nothing that could slow them down. It was an urgent task to give the good news of coming Kingdom to as many people as possible.

That is the story of today's Gospel. It raises the question; 'who are the ones sent by Christ today to share in his prophetic mission?' The answer is us; we are the people Christ sends.

By our baptism, we have a new life, 'in Christ'; we are filled with the Holy Spirit, and we celebrate that we are beloved daughters and sons of the Father. After the water bath, we are anointed with the oil of Chrism, and the priest says something like, 'you are now made priest, prophet, and king, like Jesus'. As Christ calls us through baptism, he now sends us, to

our families and work places to speak the good news.

You are prophets to your own families. You are to speak the good news of the Kingdom of God. What does mean? I think a good way of understanding it, is to remember the Lord's Prayer, in which we pray: 'may your kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.' This prompts the question 'what is the will of God?' An easy answer is 'look at what God does.' God creates, God wants life. God saves; God set free Hebrew slaves in Egypt. God wants life. Jesus said 'I have come to bring life, and bring it, abundantly.' God's will is for life in abundance, for all Creation.

Anything you say, or do, that brings life to your families, is bringing about the Kingdom. Words are important. They can bring life or destroy. Chose your words carefully, speak what gives life: an encouraging word, a supportive word, and a true word.

Again, you are prophets in your work places. Anything you say that brings life, builds the Kingdom of God. May you speech be life giving.

Christ has called us through baptism and sends us now be prophets to our families, work places, and wider society. In this Mass, let us give thanks that we share in his prophetic ministry, and give thanks for our families and work.

### QUESTIONS FOR CONVERSATION

What is your understanding of the role of a prophet?

Can you enrich the life of your family by your words?

What issues would prophetic Christians raise with wider society?

We are a community, cooperating so that, God's will be done on earth, through Service, sharing Good News, and Celebration.

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### The Effects of the Sacrament of Holy Orders

The indelible character

1581 This sacrament configures the recipient to Christ by a special grace of the Holy Spirit, so that he may serve as Christ's instrument for his Church. By ordination one is enabled to act as a representative of Christ, Head of the Church, in his triple office of priest, prophet, and king.

1582 As in the case of Baptism and Confirmation this share in Christ's office is granted once for all. the sacrament of Holy Orders, like the other two, confers an indelible spiritual character and cannot be repeated or conferred temporarily.<sup>74</sup>

1583 It is true that someone validly ordained can, for a just reason, be discharged from the obligations and functions linked to ordination, or can be forbidden to exercise them; but he cannot become a layman again in the strict sense,<sup>75</sup> because the character imprinted by ordination is for ever. the vocation and mission received on the day of his ordination mark him permanently.

1584 Since it is ultimately Christ who acts and effects salvation through the ordained minister, the unworthiness of the latter does not prevent Christ from acting.<sup>76</sup> St. Augustine states this forcefully:

As for the proud minister, he is to be ranked with the devil. Christ's gift is not thereby profaned: what flows through him keeps its purity, and what passes through him remains dear and reaches the fertile earth.... the spiritual power of the sacrament is indeed comparable to light: those to be enlightened receive it in its purity, and if it should pass through defiled beings, it is not itself defiled.<sup>77</sup>

The grace of the Holy Spirit

1585 The grace of the Holy Spirit proper to this sacrament is configuration to Christ as Priest, Teacher, and Pastor, of whom the ordained is made a minister.

1588 With regard to deacons, "strengthened by sacramental grace they are dedicated to the People of God, in conjunction with the bishop and his body of priests, in the service (diakonia) of the liturgy, of the Gospel, and of works of charity."<sup>81</sup>

1589 Before the grandeur of the priestly grace and office, the holy doctors felt an urgent call to conversion in order to conform their whole lives to him whose sacrament had made them ministers.

Children's Rosary—Monday to Friday in the church at 3:40pm

There will be a second collection today for the Apostleship of the Sea.

### New Parish Hall—Bookings

If you are planning an event (COVID permitting) and would like to use the New Parish Hall, bookings can be made by emailing [bookingsolsp@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsolsp@gmail.com) or phoning **07708632289**.

### GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a taxpayer, for every £1 you give to the parish, we can get another 25p. Please speak to: John O' Reilly 07977 538671

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