

Saturday 17th July	10am	Fr. David Peck
	6pm	Donar's Intention
Sunday 18th July 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	Richard Hatch RIP
	12 Midday	People of the parish
	5.30pm	Daniel Thompson RIP
Monday 19th July		No Mass
Tuesday 20th July	10am	Giovanni Mosconi RIP
Wednesday 21st July	10am	Francesco Viera and Conceicao Nascimento RIP
Thursday 22nd July St Mary Magdalene	10am	Brendan Kelly Ints
Friday 23rd July St Bridget of Sweden	10:am	Elizabeth McDonagh ints
	10:30am to 1pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	6.45pm (Latin Mass)	Zoa Del Carmen Gonzales
Saturday 24th July	10am	Francisco Rodrigues RIP
	6pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 25th July 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	Winifred Edeko RIP RIP
	12 Midday	Alfred and Veronica Nyasunu RIP
	5:30pm	John Summers

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 Gismondi, 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 £571.23
 Standing Orders £250 **Total £821.23**
Apostleship of the Sea £245.29
Thank you for your generosity

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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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16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

The world is suffering with the Covid 19 pandemic. The world is threatened by climate change. The world is wrecked by violence; wars, terrorist incidents, and domestic abuse. The world is fractured by oppression of minorities, people who are different, different religions, different races, and different sexualities.

This is the context in which we read today's readings. This is the context that God speaks to us through these readings.

Now let's look at the Gospel. There we find the Twelve, returning from their experience of announcing the good news of the Kingdom of God, to the towns and villages in Galilee. They were exhausted. Jesus' seeing their tiredness, told them to go off and take a rest. The people saw their departure and hurried to where they going. A great crowd gathered before them.

Jesus saw the crowd 'and took pity on them', perhaps, this phrase is better translated, as 'had compassion for them'. The Greek word which, underlies it, is literally, something about, 'being churned up in guts'. Jesus felt the pain of the people. He said they were like 'sheep without a shepherd'.

To understand this phrase, we can look at the First Reading. Where, we find the prophet Jeremiah, bemoaning the 'shepherds', the kings who had so badly ruled Israel. He says God will provide a new king who will 'be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land'.

Jesus taught the crowd about coming Kingdom of God and gave them a taste of it, in the Feeding of the 5000. (Next week's Gospel.) He saw that they each had their own difficulties, family problems, disputes' with neighbours, and all the peculiarities of normal life. To all this was added, the indignity of being an occupied nation, awash with Roman soldiers, paying taxes to Caesar, and liable to further troubles, any time Pilate or his forces were in bad mood. Jesus saw their problems, he felt their pain.

We, in contrast, tend to be blind to other peoples' problems. We; often are blind to the poor, people who are different, minorities, and all outside our circle. Jesus calls us to compassion for all who are troubled. The meaning of the word, 'compassion', is to 'suffer with', share their sufferings. This what God is doing, in Jesus, on the cross, sharing in the sufferings of humanity.

Is not this the lesson of the Gospel, open our eyes and see the pain, and respond with compassion, get alongside, and assist, which may involve suffering.

Christ calls us to compassion, to ourselves, to others, and the whole of humanity, indeed the whole of Creation. The many difficulties, the world faces, can be helped with more compassion.

In this Mass, in our Thanksgiving, let us give thanks for Jesus example of compassion, our call to follow his way of compassion, and all who show compassion to others.

Fr. David Peck 13.7.2021

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

New Parish Hall—Bookings
 If you are planning an event and would like to use the New Parish Hall, bookings can be made by emailing bookingsolsp@gmail.com or phoning **07708632289**.

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