

Sunday 1st August 2021 live simply that others may simply live

Saturday 31st July St Ignatius of Loyola	10am	Abina Dale RIP and deceased relatives
	6pm	Ana Dolores Gardenas RIP
Sunday 1st August 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	People of the Parish
	12 Midday	Alicia Yolanda Perez RIP
	5.30pm	Cousins of Barak in Turkey
Monday 2nd August	10am	No Mass
Tuesday 3rd August	10am	Ikechukwu Offie Ints
Wednesday 4th August St John Vianney	10am	Peck and Hayes Deceased family members
Thursday 5th August	10am	James O'Brien
Friday 6th August Transfiguration of the Lord	10am	Zita Chamberlain RIP
	1:30pm	Wedding
	6:45pm (Latin Mass)	Cecilia De Freitas RIP
	10pm	All Night Vigil Mass
Saturday 7th August	10am	Tom Pearson RIP
	6pm	Mary Scott RIP
Sunday 8th August 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	Alexander Howard RIP
	12 Midday	People of the Parish
	4pm	Rosary and Benediction
	5.30pm	Ed Blades RIP

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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 £757.53
Standing Orders £250
Contactless Donations £92
Total £1099.53
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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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18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The essence of the Gospel message might be put in the form of a question. Jesus often used questions in his public ministry: "Who do you say that I am?" He asked St. Peter. "Is no one left to condemn you?" He asked the woman caught in adultery. "Have you no faith?" He asked the disciples afraid in the boat during a storm on the lake. What might Jesus be asking us in the Scripture readings we hear today? Could it be something like this: for what do you most hunger? Is it health, wealth, and beauty, that is, fleeting things, or love, truth and life, that is, things that will last?

At the heart of that question, what do you most long for?, is this : do I ultimately hunger for that which satisfies the body, but only lasts for a time, like the manna in the desert; or do I hunger for that which really satisfies the heart and soul and will last in this life and the next?

We find in Isaiah(55:2) a question that Jesus may have had in mind when he taught and can still be asked : "Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?" .

Jesus may also have had in the mind the familiar words from Deuteronomy and Exodus (chapters 8 and 16 respectively): "Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Perhaps we need to ponder on the whole question of hunger, since it is a central issue in this Scripture reading. We recognize that there are two basic kinds of hunger: physical and spiritual. What we eat and drink can satisfy our physical hunger, and we need to eat food and drink (at least water) in order to stay alive! If we neglect to do so, we die. We are never to think of physical hunger and its satisfaction as something evil or unessential.

Our spiritual hunger, even deeper than our physical hunger, only God can satisfy. The hunger of our heart and soul, the hunger for truth, for communion, for love, is something which perishable food cannot satisfy.

Jesus speaks in the Gospel passage about the works of God and what we must do to be doing the works of God; namely, to believe in His Son whom the Father has sent into the world. That may sound simple enough, but what is implied in this is preferring nothing whatever to Christ, as Saint Benedict exhorts his monks in his Holy Rule, because, as an early Church Father, Saint Cyprian of Carthage put it, Christ has preferred nothing whatever to us!

What Jesus is offering in his Incarnation, preaching and life-giving death and Resurrection is a new relationship with God that the old reign of sin and death could never support. Something new appeared when God took on our flesh and pitched his tent among us. That is the literal meaning of "incarnation," to pitch one's tent.

Jesus is the mediator of the new covenant between God and man, a covenant of peace and eternal life. The new covenant is a new kind of life, a different way of living, a life of love and service, of forgiveness and bearing one another's burdens.

Jesus directs us to and is ever-present to enable us to act in an upright and righteous way. Jesus calls himself the way, and is always at our side. God became man so that we might partake of divine life, the Church Fathers taught. That is still true and our undying hope.

May we hunger for the bread that lasts, and be satisfied with what God is trying to give us.

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