

<b>Saturday 15th October</b> St Theresa of Avila	10am Sean Parsons RIP 6pm People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 16th October</b> 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am Caroline Benker Ints 5.30pm Denis Nolan RIP
<b>Monday 17th October</b>	10am No Mass
<b>Tuesday 18th October</b> St Luke	10am Mr and Mrs Coleridge
<b>Wednesday 19th October</b> Sts John de Breboeuf and Companions	10am Marita Reyes
<b>Thursday 20th October</b>	10am Joseph George RIP
<b>Friday 21st October</b>	10am Daisy Thugroo RIP 10:30 to 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:30 (Latin Mass) Dingi and Beverley
<b>Saturday 22nd October</b> St John Paul II	10am Dominic Sullivan 6pm Donor's Ints
<b>Sunday 23rd October</b> 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am Luis Rivero RIP 5.30pm People of the Parish

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:**  
Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, James Gledhill, Florisa Di Valentino, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismondi, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Anthony Lydekker, 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 £551.73  
Standing Orders £400  
Contactless Donations £164.00  
**Total £1180.82**  
  
**Thank you for your generosity**

**This is a School Voucher Sunday**

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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Head Teacher: Jeremy Tuke BA Hons PGCE  
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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.

**Contacts**  
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Retired Priest: Fr. David Peck  
  
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**29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**

**Gospel Reflection**

We pray every day, and the importance of prayer is emphasized in the Scriptures today. In the first reading (Ex 17:8-13), Moses holding up his arms is an Old Testament gesture for prayer. As long as Moses holds up his arms in prayer everything goes well. When Moses no longer holds up his arms in prayer there are problems. I think we can see Moses holding up his arms in prayer as anticipating Christ holding up his arms in prayer on the Cross winning the battle over evil and sin for us.

In the Gospel today (Luke 18:1-8), Jesus teaches a parable about the importance of constant prayer. The widow in the parable received her request because she was persistent and we ought to be equally constant in prayer. There is some humour in the Greek that is not evident in the English translation; the judge gave in to the widow because if he did not, he feared she might give him a black eye (ὕπωπιόζει Luke 18:5). Jesus used a metaphor from boxing to make his point about the need to continue in prayer: when it comes to prayer, be as persistent as a boxer in the ring. Jesus gave a second teaching in the parable: if an unjust judge answers the pleas of a widow how much more will God answer our prayers. "Very well" you might say, "but what about unanswered prayer?" This is always a mystery that we leave ultimately in the hands of God because we believe that prayer is always answered although perhaps not in the way we had hoped. However, God sees the overall plan and knows what is best and we may sometimes have to wait until the next life to see that overall plan and understand that God knew better. Luke demonstrates this when he wrote that the Father would give the Holy Spirit to those who ask (Luke 11:13) whereas in Matthew's Gospel (7:11) we read that the Father will give good things to those who ask. The important thing is to persevere in prayer. Today's parable is the second one Jesus teaches in Luke's Gospel on the necessity of prayer; earlier Jesus told a parable about a man going to his friend in the middle of the night to ask for bread, and even though at first the friend may not want to get up, if he persists his friend will get up and give him the bread (Luke 11:5-8). Next Sunday we will hear another parable on prayer, the Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector (Luke 18:9-14), reminding us that our prayer is to be humble.

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## PARISH NEWS

**Legion of Mary children at Last Saturday's Rosary Procession from Westminster Cathedral to Brompton Oratory**



**Our Lady Queen of Heaven School – Reception Class 2023**

OLQH are now accepting applications for Reception class in September 2023. There will be a meeting on **Wednesday 2nd November at 2.00pm**. This meeting will include a short talk about the school and our aims and the application process. They will also be very happy to answer any questions that you may have. After the talk, you will be given the opportunity to tour the school if you have not already done so.

If you would like to attend this meeting and/or receive an application pack, please email [ptaylor@ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:ptaylor@ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk) to register a place. It is strongly recommended that if you are interested in applying, that at least one parent or carer makes every effort to attend this meeting so that you can fully understand the application process when applying for a place for reception 2023.

The deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

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**Funeral details for Bishop Howard Tripp RIP at St George's Cathedral**

**Wednesday 2 November** - 18:00 Reception of the Body, followed by Mass of All Souls' Day

**Thursday 3 November** - 12:30 Solemn Requiem Mass, followed by interment in the Cathedral vault

**May he rest in peace and rise in glory.**

THE WINNERS OF SUNDAY 16th October 200 CLUB		
1	70	Kathleen Lyons
2	183	Mrs M Ashley

**Helpers Needed to Serve Tea after Sunday 10am Mass**

We need volunteers to help serve tea after Sunday Mass. Can you help?

Please see Fr Philip after Mass.

**Safer Neighbourhoods Meeting**

There will be a Safer Neighbourhoods Meeting in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 18th October 2022 at 7.00pm.

Representatives from the Wandsworth Metropolitan Police Safer Neighbourhood Team will be present.

**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.

**Parish Hall—Bookings**

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

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**RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE**

Please note that the Relics of St Bernadette will be visiting our Archdiocese later this month. Wednesday 19 – Thursday 20 October.

Mindful of the fact that many have been unable to travel to Lourdes during the pandemic, this tour offers us an opportunity to experience the charisms of our Lady Immaculate's Shrine.

Please visit <https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/> to register if you intend to visit the relics.

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