

Saturday 15th June	10am	Christiane Boothway RIP and family Ints
	6pm	Olaf Marshall Ints
Sunday 16th June 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	Agata Straczek RIP and family Ints
	5:30pm	People of the Parish
Monday 17th June	10am	No Mass
Tuesday 18th June	10am	Vicky Clemente Ints
Wednesday 19th June	10am	Eileen Hamilton RIP and family and friends
Thursday 20th June St Alban	10am	Rita D’Cruze RIP
	10:30 to 1pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 21st June St Aloysius	10am	Annie Hoskins Ints
	10:30 to 1pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	6:30 (Latin Mass)	Tony Browne Ints
Saturday 22nd June Sts John Fisher and Thomas More	10am	Simon Claire Wills RIP
	6pm	Ordination of Edward Hopkins
Sunday 23rd June 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10am	Maricris Quinto 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, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismondi, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jason Moreno, Shirley Monaco, Gemma Morgan and Jenny Schlegel.

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	£789.45
Contactless	£198
Standing Orders	£400
Total	£1387.45

Thank you for your generosity

This is a School Voucher Sunday

OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
Victoria Drive, London SW19 6AD
Tel: 020 8788 7420
Head Teacher: Jeremy Tuke BA Hons PGCE
www.ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk

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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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

GOSPEL REFLECTION

God will go gardening! That is what God says through the prophet Ezekiel in our first reading today (Ezek 17:22-24) God will take a twig from the top of a cedar tree and plant it on a high mountain where it will become a tall tree, and all kinds of animals will live under it, and all kinds of birds will nest in it. Of course, God is talking in a parable through the prophet Ezekiel. There will be a tree that will give shelter to all. What might that be? We find the answer in the second parable in the Gospel today (Mark 4:30-32). Jesus asked what the kingdom of God is like. It is like a small mustard seed which is sown and becomes a large plant where birds can take shade in its branches. Jesus is talking about the kingdom of God. So, the twig that God promised through Ezekiel to plant in the future, is the kingdom of God preached by Jesus, and planted by Jesus during his public ministry, and since then has been growing and growing. The mustard seed is such a tiny seed, but it has the ability to grow into a huge plant very quickly. The kingdom of God might seem fragile when looking at the reaction of people to Jesus and the many who did not accept him, but from its small beginnings in Jesus’ ministry, his kingdom will grow and grow.

There is a place for everyone in Jesus’ kingdom. In the first reading, all kinds of animals were sheltering under the cedar tree and every bird was in the shade of its branches, and in the Gospel, birds were dwelling in the branches in the shade of the mustard tree. There is a place for everyone in Jesus’ kingdom. Jesus does not want anyone outside of his kingdom. Jesus does not want any sheep outside the sheepfold. There is a beautiful but sad saying of Jesus which we never hear in a Sunday Gospel, “Jerusalem...how many times have I yearned to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, but you were unwilling.” (Matt 23:37; Luke 13:34) Either in real life or in nature documentaries, we have seen mother birds gathering their chicks together under their wings. Jesus wanted Jerusalem under his wing, so to speak; he wanted Jerusalem safely, warmly, and snug in his kingdom. We know what happened. They chose Barabbas instead of Jesus. Jesus wants everyone now safely in his kingdom. He “yearns” for this, to quote him. “[Name of town], how many times I have yearned to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings.” The Lord is always waiting for us. The branches of his tree are always wide enough to give us shade.

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Another way to say this is that Jesus wants to hold everyone in his love, under the branches of his love, under the wings of his love. Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, prays that everyone may come to know the love of Christ. This is how his prayer goes:

I kneel before the Father...[to ask] that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you...may have strength to comprehend...what is the width and length and height and depth...to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God (Eph 3:14-19)

Paul prayed that his listeners and readers would come to know the width and length and height and depth of Christ's love for us. It is like a tree with very large branches with room to shelter everyone. We are all under the width and length and height and depth of Christ's love, without exception. Regardless of skin colour, or race, or social background, or family background, we are all under the width and length and height and depth of Christ's love. Divisions are created by us, not by God. Prejudice and bias show that we do not understand that we are all under God's love or show that we are too stubborn to admit it. Prejudice and bias show that we do not understand or want to admit that we all come from common ancestors. Prejudice and bias is human thinking, not understanding or admitting that we are all nesting in the same tree created by God.

PARISH NEWS

Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 10am Mass and precession on Sunday

Day For Life

There will be a Second Collection for Day for Life this weekend.

This year's theme is *"The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life"*, providing an invitation for Catholics to reflect on end-of-life care in the midst of the national debate regarding assisted suicide.

The Day for Life has received a special blessing from the Holy Father, which may be found at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-francis-gives-his-blessing-to-day-for-life/>

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

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Father Philip Farewell 14th July 2024

Please put a note in your diary for Fr Philip's leaving party 14th July. This will replace the Barbeque originally planned. All welcome, no charge.



LEGACIES
Help provide for the future of our Parish by including the Parish in your will



MASS INTENTIONS AND THE GIFT AID SCHEME

Please remember to Gift Aid your Mass Intention donations if you are a taxpayer.

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NOTICE BOARD

Divine Mercy Retreat

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat on Saturday 20 July 2024 from 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm at:

St Sebastian and St Pancras R.C. Church
22 Hay Lane, Kingsbury NW9 0NG

The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome. Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information

**Ball for Catholic Young adults (18-40) at Sacred Heart Church Wimbledon 13th July
7pm-11pm, Upper Hall, Sacred Heart Church, Edge Hill SW19 4LU**

This is a ticketed event, with Tickets costing £30 and including a drink and buffet. Tickets can be bought on the following link: www.tinyurl.com/sacredheartball

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