

Saturday 2nd August Feria	Leviticus 25: 1,8-17; Matthew 14: 1-12 10am Holy Souls 6pm Rosine Theodose
Sunday 3rd August Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ecclesiasticus 1: 2; 2: 21-23; Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11; Luke 12: 13-21 10am Winifred Edeko RIP 5:30pm People of the Parish
Monday 4th August St. John Vianney, priest, patron of parish priests	Numbers 11: 4b-15; Matthew 14: 13-21 NO MASS
Tuesday 5th August Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major	Revelation 21: 1-5a; Luke 11: 27-28 NO MASS
Wednesday 6th August The Transfiguration of the Lord	Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14; Luke 9: 28b-38 10am Hammes Andrietti Thanksgiving
Thursday 7th August Feria	Numbers 20: 1-13; Matthew 16: 16-23 10am Fr Philip Seed Ints 10:30am – 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 8th August St Dominic, priest	Deuteronomy 4: 32-40 ; Matthew 16: 24-28 10am Patrick Holland RIP 10:30am – 1pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 9th August St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	Hosea 2: 14b, 15cd, 19-20; Matthew 25: 1-13 10am Cecilia Fernandes Wellbeing 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 10th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Wisdom 18: 6-9; Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19; Luke 12: 32-48 10am Mabel and family 5:30pm Max Hu-Fouye RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:

Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jenny Schlegel , Bibiana Young, Gerard Briffa and Sebio De Batoli.

Please pray for all those who have died recently.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them

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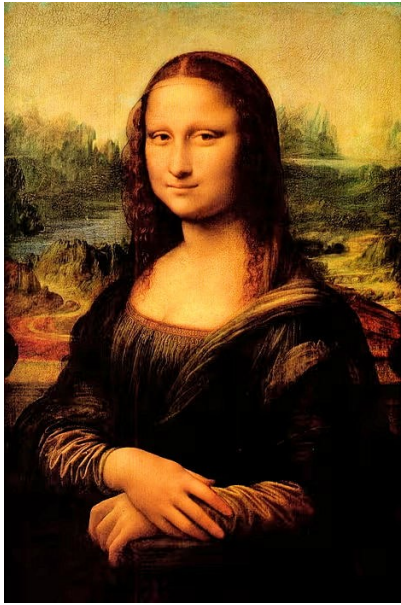
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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

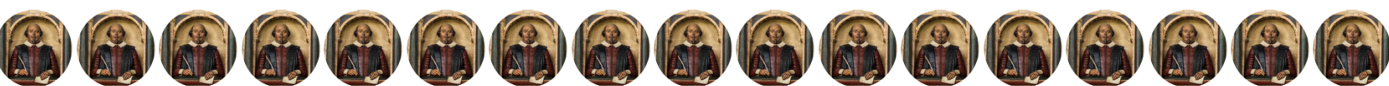


The *Mona Lisa* (c.1503-1506)
Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519)

Throughout the world there is a thriving trade in stolen works of art. The *Mona Lisa* itself was stolen in 1911 and not returned to the Louvre until 1913. Once purchased, though, these stolen works of art become as deadly to the possessor as an assassin’s bullet. What was originally designed by the artist or sculptor to be an insight into what it is to be human, to be fully alive, has become an object to be hoarded. It is stored in a barn or a safe so that the owner can gloat over his riches and congratulate himself on his cleverness in outwitting others. Fool! “Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” (Luke 12: 20)

In contrast, St. Paul tells us that we are God’s works of art: “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.” (Ephesians 2: 10) We are God’s gift: to ourselves, and to each other. We are not called to try to make our lives more secure by trusting in our own abilities, possessing more and more things. That is just putting ourselves in a prison of our own making. After all, everything we have, everything we are, is pure gift. We are invited to take the risk of living our lives to the full—to live the good life in Christ Jesus. As with Christ, we are called to be self-emptying, not grasping; we are called to be servants and obedient, obedient even to the point of death. Then, and only then, will we be truly rich by sharing in the risen life of God’s Son.

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“And summer’s lease hath all too short a date:...”

(William Shakespeare Sonnet 18: 4)

We have been fortunate to enjoy proper summer weather during the past few weeks, even if it has at times been too hot. It is a real pleasure to look on people’s faces, seeing there joy and happiness instead of the buttoned-up, “I’ll get through this”, look we all seem to wear during the winter months.

Yet we know this weather will not last:

“For never-resting time leads summer on
To hideous winter and confounds him there,
Sap checked with frost and lusty leaves quite gone, “

(William Shakespeare Sonnet 5: 5-7)

As human beings we are at the mercy of “never-resting time”. so, I would just like to share with you a quotation from C. S. Lewis’ *Reflections on the Psalms* which always lifts my spirits.

“Our hope (is) finally to emerge, if not altogether from time (that might not suit our humanity) at any rate from the tyranny, the unilinear poverty, of time, to ride it not to be ridden by it, and so to cure that always aching wound (‘the wound man was born for’) which mere successions and mutability inflict on us, almost equally when we are happy and when we are unhappy. For we are so little reconciled to time that we are even astonished at it. ‘How he’s grown!’ we exclaim, ‘How time flies!’ as though the universal form of our experience were again and again a novelty. It is as strange as if a fish were repeatedly surprised at the wetness of water. And that would be strange indeed; unless of course the fish were destined to become, one day, a land animal.”

C. S. Lewis *Reflections on the Psalms*, Chapter 12 Page 110



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

To meet our budget we need £1,600 each week

Last Sunday’s offering was £529.95
Contactless £187.00
Standing Orders £400
Total £1116.95

Thank you for your generosity

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.

THE WINNERS OF 3rd August 200 CLUB

1	41	Geoff Fayers
2	38	Mary Keevil-Hill

Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be refreshments in the hall after the 10am Mass on Sunday

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

The hall is not available for hire in August

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FALLING ASLEEP DURING PRAYER

In my homily on Sunday I used the First Reading and the Gospel to speak about prayer. I mentioned how all of us have fallen asleep during our prayers, often with our rosaries lying on the ground by our chair. The words of St. Thérèse of Lisieux are very helpful regarding this matter:

“I should be desolate for having slept (for seven years) during my hours of prayer and my thanksgivings after Holy Communion; well, I am not desolate. I remember that little children are as pleasing to their parents when they are asleep as well as when they are wide awake; I remember, too, that when they perform operations, doctors put their patients to sleep. Finally, I remember that: ‘The Lord knows our weakness, that he is mindful that we are but dust and ashes.’ (Psalm 103:14)”

St. Thérèse of Lisieux *Story of a Soul*

Study Edition Chapter 8 Page 259

Declaring St. Thérèse of Lisieux to be a doctor of the Church, St. John Paul II said of her:

“She has made the Gospel shine appealingly in our time; she had the mission of making the Church, the Mystical Body of Christ, known and loved; she helped to heal souls of the rigours and fears of Jansenism, which tended to stress God’s justice rather than his divine mercy. In God’s mercy she contemplated and adored all the divine perfections, because ‘even his justice (and perhaps even more so than the other perfections) seems to me clothed in love.’ (*Journal of a Soul* Chapter 8 Page 276)”

Apostolic Letter *Divini Amoris Scientia*



JUBILEE CHURCH 2025

Our neighbouring church of The Sacred Heart, Edge Hill, Wimbledon, London SW19 4LU has been designated by Archbishop John Wilson as a Southwark Diocesan Jubilee Church in 2025. Their the faithful, pilgrims of hope, will be able to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence granted by the Holy Father.



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