

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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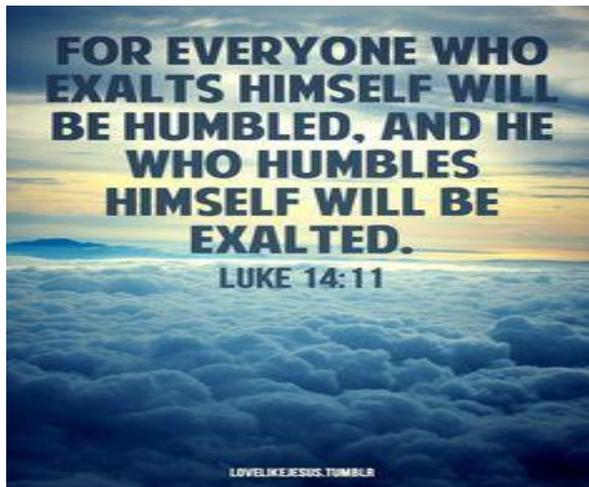


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Registered as a Charity. No 234216

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Yr C



1<sup>st</sup> September 2019

Mass Book: 130 Psalter Week 2

### Readings:

Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29  
Psalm 67:4-7, 10-11 *resp cf v11*  
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24  
Luke 14:1, 7-14

## Mass Times

Saturday	31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	1.00 pm	<b>Wedding: Gleeson - Solomon</b>
Saturday	31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	6:00 pm	Mass Philomena Garahy
Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	8:30 am	Mass People of the Parish
		10:30 am	Mass
Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	NO MASS	
Tuesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	9:15 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
		9:30 am	Mass
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9:15 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
		9:30 am	Mass
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9:15 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
		9:30 am	Mass
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9:15 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
		9:30 am	Mass
Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	6:00 pm	Mass Edward & Elizabeth Bagshawe
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	8:30 am	Mass People of the Parish
		10:30 am	Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00-5.45pm

**Offertory Collection:** *Thank you for your generous support.*

Envelopes (Gift Aid) £ 37.00 (NGA) £ 0.00  
Loose £ 242.72 **Contactless £ 25.00**  
R&R Appeal (GA) £ 52.00 (NGA) £ 15.60 Loose £ 60.22

Many thanks

**Contactless Payments:** You can now use your Debit/Credit Card. *Just ask!*

**Please pray for:** *The Sick & Housebound of our Parish Community:*

Melene Clifford, Rosemary Daniel, Jane de Souza, Jean Marie D'Souza, Margaret Evans, Rita Good, Gill Harrison, Gill Lane, Evelyn Lochrin, Tom Mannion, Joan McDonald, Caroline Mieczkowska, Diana Newbury, Halina Seligman, Jackie Tidbury, Carl Veys. *If you know of anyone who is sick, do let us know.*

*Those who have died: **Lucy McSharry, Carol Willis***

*Anniversaries that occur at this time:*

Harry Littlefair, Fr Terence Boylan, Marion Blayney, Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor  
*May they rest in peace*

✠ Please remember in your prayers **Lucy McSharry** who died recently. We also pray for her family, and especially her daughter, Jo Saunders.

*Lord, grant to our sister peace and joy in your kingdom. May she rest in peace.*

### **Back to School**

I do hope that everyone at Sacred Heart School has had a restful holiday. School starts on Wednesday. My focus for this academic year is '*living a virtuous life*'. We wish everyone a happy and holy new academic year.

### **Wedding:**

We congratulate Gabrielle Gleeson and Jonathan Solomon on the occasion of their wedding. We pray that they will have a long and happy life together.

**R & R:** *We have been following up our Quinquennial Inspection.*

We have spent the summer making **Repairs and Redecoration** to the Church. The kneelers are now completed and we have redecorated the Narthex, and cleaned the Carpets. Over the coming months we will be addressing several other jobs in the Church and the Parish Hall. This week the toilets will be repainted.

### **Contactless Payments**

We now accept all major credit/debit cards as well as Apple Pay. Just select from one of three pre-set amounts = £5, £10, £20. Put your card by the card-reader, and wait for the beep = it's done.

### **CAFOD Supporters' event – all welcome**

Come and hear about CAFOD's work in Uganda, our Harvest focus country.

**Sat 21 Sept** - St Teresa's Hall, 40 Warwick Road, **Beaconsfield**, HP9 2PL **10:30 – 1.30pm** (coffee/tea from 10:15am. Shared lunch from 1:30pm)

**Tues 24 Sept** - Our Lady Help of Christians, 59 Hollow Way, Cowley, **Oxford OX4 2ND 10:30 am – 12:30pm** (coffee/tea from 10am)

Please book a place - 01494 863 777 or [dpurfield@cafod.org.uk](mailto:dpurfield@cafod.org.uk).

### **First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2020**

I would like to invite the parents of those children who are in Year 3 and who are due to receive their **First Holy Communion** in 2020 to enrol their child. Preparation will begin after half term in the parish and the school.

### **First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 17 & 24 May 2020**

I would like to invite the parents of those children who are in Year 6 above and who are due to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** to enrol their children for the Sacramental Programme.

### **The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday 20 June 2020**

Enrolment Forms are at the back of the Church, or on the website.

**Holidays:** I'm away on my summer holiday this week. I'm very grateful to Fr Colin who will be looking after the parish while I am away.

## CARDINAL JOHN HENRY NEWMAN 1801-1890

### 1845 - 1851 | 'Like coming into port after a rough sea.'

On October 8th 1845, Fr Dominic Barberi, an Italian, Passionist priest who was in England on missionary work, arrived at Newman's Littlemore residence. Newman had invited him to hear his confession and to receive him into communion with the Catholic Church. By this point, many of those who lived with Newman in Littlemore had already converted. Newman's confession went on so late into the night that Fr Dominic insisted that they go to bed and resume it in the morning. When it was completed, John Henry Newman was received into the Catholic Church, a major step on his journey. This had huge personal consequences. By converting, Newman lost most of his friends from the Church of England, his family rejected him and he could no longer be a fellow at Oxford. He would later describe how the trials of this period moved him to more completely surrender his life to God.

*'He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends, He may throw me in among strangers, He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide the future from me – still He knows what He is about.'* **Meditations and Devotions, pp. 301-302**

His conversion was accompanied by a great sense of interior peace. He wrote:

*'I was not conscious to myself, on my conversion, of any change, intellectual or moral, wrought in my mind. I was not conscious of firmer faith in the fundamental truths of Revelation, or of more self-command; I had not more fervour; but it was like coming into port after a rough sea.'* **Apologia, p. 238**

The year after his conversion, Newman was sent to Rome to further his study and here discovered the model of community life pursued by the Oratorians of St. Philip Neri. St. Philip Neri was a saint of the sixteenth century and Newman saw him as a great example of cheerful witness. He also saw in the shape of Oratorian life, something deeply familiar. He once wrote: *'The nearest approximation in fact to an Oratorian Congregation that I know is one of the Colleges in the Anglican Universities. Take such a college, destroy the Heads' house, annihilate wife and children, restore him to the body of fellows, and give the Head and Fellows missionary and pastoral work, and you have a Congregation of St Philip before your eyes.'* **Chapter address of January/February 1848**

On February 1st 1848, With the approval of Pope Pius IX, Newman established, in Birmingham, the first Oratory of St. Philip Neri in the English-speaking world. The year after that, with one of his disciples, Frederick William Faber, Newman founded a second Oratory community in London. In these years, Newman began to address those who had formerly been involved in the Oxford Movement, to convince them that they belonged in the Catholic Church too. Newman's conversion had prompted many in the intellectual spheres of Oxford and Cambridge to join the Catholic Church, but now having returned and established communities, Newman set about writing to those he had once led, encouraging them to continue seeking for the spirit of the true church. He wrote essays entitled *'Certain Difficulties Felt by Anglicans in Catholic Teaching'* and gave a series of lectures on the *'Present Position of Catholics in England'*. However, the next phase of his journey would call him beyond his beloved England and to a new endeavour all together.