



English Martyrs Catholic Parish

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY 28TH AUGUST 2022

Today's Gospel may be read on two different levels. On One, Luke seems to set his story in a Christian community in which many are poor but several are wealthy. That people meet in houses implies that some in the Church had houses large enough to entertain fifty or more people at a time. Luke places this story during Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, which is devoted to teachings on discipleship. Jesus describes how Christians are to act when meeting for their Eucharistic meal. They should not try to sit at the place of honour, next to the host or owner of the house-church. Instead, they should humble themselves and seek a lesser seat. The ideal is to respect the communal meal as a celebration of the Body of Christ rather than simply as an opportunity for networking or self-glorifying.

On another level, Luke addresses discipleship beyond the early Church. The "wedding banquet" (Lk 14:8) is a common image used by the prophets for the Kingdom of God. The term "invited" (14:7,8) is the same used to describe those in the Christian community who have been "called" by God to receive the Gospel of Christ in hope of salvation. In this case, when joined to God's Kingdom in the Body of Christ, one should not presume to place oneself above other members but should live in humility. This becomes a key aspect of discipleship in all four Gospel accounts: to live humbly as Christ did.

Luke then combines the two levels in the closing section advising would-be hosts to invite not simply the wealthy and powerful, but the poor and needy as well to the Gospel message. The body of Christ should be glorified by the grace that humble members show to the less fortunate.



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 28th August 2022 (Cycle C)

Parish Diary

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| Sunday Masses | 10.00 am & 6.30 pm |
| Weekday Masses | 9.00 am (Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays until Fr Britto returns) |
| Wednesdays | 9.00 am – Eucharistic Service |
| Friday | Adoration following 9.00 am Mass |
| Confessions | Saturdays 9.30 am - 10.00 am |
| Legion of Mary | After Sunday morning mass (11.30 am onwards) |
| Baptisms | By Appointment (Saturdays 12.00 pm - 12.30 pm) |

Liturgical Calendar

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| Sunday 28th August | Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) |
| Monday 29th August | The Passion of St John the Baptist |
| Thursday 1st September | St Sebbi, King of the East Saxons (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) |
| Saturday 3rd September | St Gregory The Great, Priest, Doctor of the Church National Feast |
| Sunday 4th September | Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) |

Masses & Intentions This Week

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| Sunday 28th August | 10.00 am | Eileen Woodstock – RIP/Anni (donor – Greta Street) |
| | 11.30 am | Baptism – Rudi Kane |
| | 6.30 pm | For Parishioners |
| Monday 29th August | 9.00 am | NO MASS |
| Tuesday 30th August | 9.00 am | Eucharistic Service |
| Wednesday 31st August | 9.00 am | Eucharistic Service |
| Thursday 1st September | 9.00 am | Eucharistic Service |
| Friday 2nd September | 9.30 am | Tommy Higgins – RIP (donor – Greta Street) |
| Saturday 3rd September | 9.30 am | Brendan Murphy – RIP/Anni (donor – Greta Street) |
| Sunday 4th September | 10.00 am | V Akhurst – RIP (donor – Janet Perry) |

Kindly observe the timetable for the masses in case of any changes.

Parish Notice Board

Thank You

A warm and heartfelt thank you goes out to Fr Stewart Foster for helping to supply for us at English Martyrs. We wish him all our love and prayers.

Welcome

We welcome into the family of our Parish Rudi Moon Mackay, who will be baptised today after the 10am mass, and we congratulate his parents Connor and Elizabeth.

Baptisms

Please introduce yourself to the Parish Priest after mass who will in turn discuss the process with you.

Parish Finance:

21.08.22- Gift Aid: £132 Loose Plate: £192.57 Total: £324.57

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound in our Parish:

Kathleen Clifford, Rosaleen Grimwood, Anna Heneghan, Brenda Humphreys, Pat Lark, George Malaj, Sheila McCurdy, Sheila Murphy, Rachel, Pradeepan Ragunathan, Mary Scully, Greta Street, Voni Tesi, Mary Thurgood, Mary Wright, Rose Yates, Claire Ryan in Emerson Court and John Buckley.

Communication Desk

The Parables Of Luke

A Gidea Park Faith Talk on the Parables of Luke will be broadcast by live stream on Wednesday 21st September from 7 pm. Our distinguished speaker is Deacon Sean Loone, well-known in the diocese of Birmingham for his work in education and in evangelisation. Sean will speak about the parables in the Gospel of Luke, which we shall be hearing at Sunday Mass as we continue through Year C of the lectionary. To listen to the presentation live simply go to www.whatgoodnews.org There is no charge and no booking is needed. The recording of the talk will be available on the same website in due course.

Vocations to the Priesthood

The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on Tuesday 6 September at St Edmund of Canterbury Church in Loughton. The speaker will be Bishop Alan.

For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org

St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022

As a reminder, the relics will be visiting Brentwood Cathedral on 16/17 October and Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead on 18 October. Those wishing to attend should register through the tour website in order to manage numbers safely: (<https://stbernadette.org.uk>)

[Registration - St Bernadette](#)

[Be part of the St Bernadette Relic Tour this Autumn - Brentwood Diocese \(dioceseofbrentwood.net\)](#)

BCYS

Just finished A-levels or Uni? Aged 18-22? Interested in working with young people? Join the Walsingham House Team 2022/23 for an amazing Gap Year opportunity starting September 2022. You'll find information at <https://bcys.net/applications-for-the-walsingham-house-team-2022-23-now-open/> or contact Joseph Beattie – josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Mass For the Season of Creation

Insert for parish newsletters... *"You are invited to join a Mass for the Season of Creation. Saturday September 3rd at 4pm - Farm Street Church, W1K 3AH (nearest tube station is Green Park). Please email sianthomas@dioceseofbrentwood.org for more information*

Free draw: Win a trip to Medjugorje with the Irish Centre

Win one week's all included package trip to Medjugorje for one person. This includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flight (up to €300 flight & luggage value). To be in with a chance to win go to our website www.med-irishcentre.com

For more details tel. 00353 1443 4510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

A Prayer for Ukraine

***Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choice.
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.
Amen***

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| Parish Priest: Fr Britto Belevendran, (01708 507020) |
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| Parish Finance: Mrs Stephanie Mallen (07983 962465) |
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