

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY 3RD JULY 2022

The Gospel reminds us of the high level of commitment in Jesus' community of disciples. In this particular version of the "sending of the disciples" story, found only in Luke, Jesus sends out seventy-two disciples, in addition to the twelve apostles seen in the other Gospel accounts. The term *apostle* means literally "one who is sent". The scant rations these apostles take, shows their trust in the nearness of God's Kingdom and models the life of self-denial that permeated Jesus' teachings.

The message they are to give to each town mirrors their own expectation: "the Kingdom of God is at hand for you" (Lk 10:9). In this case, "Kingdom" is not a place with borders but rather a ruling authority. The apostles' message is, in effect: Now, at this time, God's will is reclaiming his creation, and you have an opportunity to receive or reject it. Those who receive the message of the sender extend hospitality to the ones sent. For towns who reject the apostles, shaking the dust from their sandals witnesses against the rejecters in a dramatic way, and the mention of Sodom in their parting statement to the town, raises the spectre of the town's future doom.

Since God's will is reclaiming his creation through Christ, demons cannot compete with the apostles' message and presence. It is not the apostles themselves but the Lord's creative power preached through them in the Gospel that dispatches the corrupt forces that had laid claim to the world for a time. The apostles' celebration at their return demonstrates that that time has closed. As Paul states in his letter to the Galatians, a "new creation" is at hand (Gal 6:15).



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 3rd July 2022 (Cycle C)

Parish Diary

Sunday Masses 10.00 am & 6.30 pm

Weekday Masses 9.00 am

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

Sunday 3rd July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Sunday 10th July Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Masses & Intentions This Week

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Sunday 3 rd July	10.00 am	Audrey Eileen Pollard – RIP/Anni
	6.30 pm	For Parishioners
Monday 4 th July	9.00 am	MASS
Tuesday 5 th July	9.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Wednesday 6 th July	9.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday 7 th July	9.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Friday 8 th July	10.30 am	Requiem Mass for Marie D'Arcy
Saturday 9 th July	9.00 am	Gabriel Rayappan – RIP/Anni
		(donor – Claret Anul)
Sunday 10 th July	10.00 am	Pat Silverlock – RIP
		(donor – Kate & Liz Sharma)
	6.30 pm	For Parishioners

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

Parish Notice Board

RIP-Marie D'Arcy

Marie's funeral mass will be held on Friday 8th July at 10.30am here at English Martyrs. Please continue to remember Marie and her family in your prayers.

2nd Collection – 10th July

Apostleship Of The Sea Second Collection

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Sea Sunday is Sunday 10th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in the second collection next week or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

Continued thanks to those who contribute to the Parish funds by Standing Order. However, we would ask those donors who are taxpayers but have not yet joined the Gift Aid scheme to seriously consider doing so. For example, in the past couple of months alone, the tax on those non-Gift Aided donations would have added a further £320 to the Parish funds without any additional expense to those contributing. If you would like to join the scheme, please contact Daphne, who will pass your details on to the Gift Aid Organiser.

Flowers

We shall resume our list of volunteer flower arrangers, please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you can help. Many thanks.

Parish Finance:

26.06.22- Gift Aid: £117 Loose Plate: £223.11 Total: £340.11 Second Collections Peter's Pence - £106.04 (GA: £54.50, LP: £51.54)

Day for Life - £30 (GA)

Holy Places - £10. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound in our Parish:

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

Communication Desk

Piano Recital - Brentwood Cathedral

Eric Chan from the Royal College of Music will be giving a Lunchtime PIANO Recital on Wednesday 6 July at 1pm – 1.45pm in the Cathedral. In the past, we have much enjoyed listening to Eric's Organ Recitals, so it will be wonderful to hear his Piano Performance. Eric was born in Hong Kong, and was taught the piano and violin from the age of four. He graduated from the RCM where he obtained an Artist Diploma, Master of Performance with distinction and Bachelor of Music with first class honours.

Catholic Biblical Association Of Great Britain

The Association announces its next Scripture talk, to be given by Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, on 'Jonah: Prophet for Today'. You can attend the talk in-person at Christ the Eternal High Priest Catholic Church, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH, from 11.00 BST on Saturday 9th July. Coffee will be provided in the hall from 10.30. If you are attending in-person please book your place by clicking on the Eventbrite link on the poster. The venue is a short walk from Gidea Park Station (TfL from Stratford or Shenfield). Alternatively please join the livestream by going to www.whatgoodnews.org at 11 a.m. on 9th July. There is no need to book if attending by livestream. The talk will be available subsequently on You Tube and on www.whatgoodnews.org Thank you.

Pilgrimage - Transylvania: Religion, History & Culture

Fr Eduard Fartan from Holy Family in Benfleet is organising a Pilgrimage to Transylvania from 18th - 25th October 2022. The tour will include many beautiful churches and monasteries often set amongst the stunning Romanian countryside and focus on the melting pot of ancient cultures that have been present in the area. The approximate cost will start at £850 for one place in a double room. For more information or to register your interest please send an email to benfleet@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Journey towards World Youth Day, Porto and Lisbon, July 26th – August 9th 2023. This amazing opportunity is for anyone who will be aged 17 – 27 in August 2023. Find out more at https://bcys.net/events/wyd23/. Express your interest with an email to WYD@dioceseofbrentwood.org. Only 40 places available.

Year Of The Family

The 10th World Meeting of Families is taking place in Rome this coming week, with a programme of talks and liturgies which will be live-streamed via Vatican media channels. Our Diocese is marking the close of the Year of the Family at the annual Mass for Marriage and Family Life in July, which Bishop Alan will offer for the intentions of all families in the Diocese. If would like a particular intention to be placed before the altar at this Mass, please complete the prayer request form which can be found on the new Marriage and Family Life pages of the Diocesan website, where you will also find more information about the World Meeting of Families: https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/marriage-family-life

Sharing The Church's Story Conference

Aims to bring people together for an experience of profound personal renewal and to be equipped for mission. With world-class speakers, including Bishop Robert Barron, panels, and moments of powerful prayer and worship, we are excited for what God will do through this event. The Conference takes place on Saturday 17th September in London, to find out more about this important conference and to book go to www.sharingthechurchsstory.com

The Helpers of God's Precious Infants

The next Rosary Procession Vigil will be held on 9th July, St. Francis of Assisi Church, Grove Crescent Road, Stratford E15 1NS. 10am The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, 10.30-11.30am Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament. 10.35am Prayerful and peaceful procession, following an Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, to BPAS abortion Centre, where we shall pray 15 decades of the Rosary and sing hymns. 12.00.pm return to St. Francis of Assisi Church. For full details see poster on church notice board. For further details tel. 01727 763832 or e-mail marg@helpersuk.org

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