

For those who have died: Fr. Brian Croughan, Canon Bill Byrne, Fr. Anthony Davies, Abdul Khaliq, Fr. Paul Hardy, Canon John Gunn, Jean Dixon

Please keep in your prayers: John & Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Margaret Hunt, Veronica Mary McCrank, Glen Preece, Paddy McLoughlin, Robert Sweeny, Caroline Holland, Tom Bradley, Maureen Salmon, Joyce Walsh, Eddie McDonagh, Suzy McDonagh, Marie McKenzie, Philip Gormley, Francis Keane, Anne Russell, Maureen Byrne, William Kelly, John Farrell, Ann Gilrairie, Margaret McNulty, Cornelius Cronan, Tom Brennan, Thomas McHugh, Tara Ford, Michael Welsh, Simon Woods, Chris Kane, Christine Linnell, Jim Malachi, Monica Carrington, Michael McHugh, Anne Scott, James Swindel, Reg Ford, Chris Voice, Fr Brian Brown, Lisa Dean and Danny Dean, Winnie Lawlor, Margaret Bednall, Sandra, John Magnier, Sheila Cronin, Maureen Rowland-Aitken, Elaine and David Sumner, Peter Hart, Jackie Logan, Brenda Guest, Graham Lawlor, Terence Dixon, Robert Sweeny, Dayna Haywood, John Eccles

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Names mentioned most times in the Bible

Jesus (1,281 times)
David (971 times)
Moses (803 times)
Jacob (363 times)
Saul (362 times)
Aaron (342 times)
Abraham (294 times, with 57 of those being Abram)
Solomon (272 times)
Joseph (246 times)
Paul (228 times)
Joshua (219 times)
Peter (193 times)
Jeremiah (145 times)
Samuel (142 verses)
Isaac (129 times)
Joab (129 times)

Pope Francis June Prayer Intention: For the abolition of torture We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

CONFESSIONS: Sat 10.00 to 10.45am & before mass or by appointment

ADORATION: Tues 9.00am—9.50am & Sat 10.00-10.50am

BAPTISMS: Sun at 11:45am by appointment

ROSARY: 20 mins before mass

CHOIR: Sing at 10.00am mass. *Anyone can join.*

**** CHILDREN'S LITURGY **:** During Sun 10:00am Mass

TEAS and COFFEE: After Sun 10:00am Mass in Parish Hall. *All Welcome*

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PARISH NEWSLETTER *Sat 17th/ Sun 18th June 2023*

11th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
SATURDAY Offertory 830 Offertory Communion Recession 40

SUNDAY Entrance 830 Offertory 911 Communion Recession 663

THIS WEEKEND—DAY FOR LIFE

This day each year gives us an opportunity to reflect on the gift of life which is precious from conception to natural death. How can we fail to contemplate the precious gift of life for the victims of the attacks in Nottingham this past week. The tragic deaths of the two 19-year old students has touched the lives of so many people: young people, parents, people who recognise how the gift of life which we sometimes take for granted can be so fragile. We pray for all those affected and commend them to the compassion of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The theme given for this year's Day for Life is *'Listen to Her'* and focuses on the trauma that can follow abortion, for women and for others by association. Jane's Story is a powerful account of a young girl who appeared to see no alternative to abortion when she became pregnant and after her abortion hoped that life would return to normal. It was many years afterwards that a retreat experience with Rachel's Vineyard led her to a journey of healing from the trauma. This is most topical in the light of the recent story of a woman who is now serving a prison sentence for taking abortion pills after the legal time limit in our country for abortion. And soon afterwards there are calls to revisit the law...but presumably only to extend the time limit and to make abortion more accessible. Closer to home, it has also become a matter of conscience that has questioned such fundamental rights as freedom of religious belief and the right to pray privately about abortion. On the Church's annual Day for Life, may we recognise the many complex situations that can lead people to consider abortion. May the rights and responsibilities of both parents always be held in balance for the good of the child.

There is a Second Collection for Life Charity this weekend.

MASS/SERVICE TIMES, FEAST DAYS and ACTIVITIES

Sat 17 Jun	10.00am	First Confessions—Parish Children	
Sat 17 Jun	10.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Sat 17 Jun	11.00am	Feast of the Immaculate Heart	Intentions of IHM Sisters
Sat 17 Jun	3.30pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Sat 17 Jun	5.30pm	11th SUNDAY (VIGIL)	Kathleen Briars Anniversary
Sun 18 Jun	10.00am	11th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	Fr Brian Byrne Poorly, Jean Dixon RIP
Mon 19 Jun	9.00am	Feria in Ordinary Time	Mr M E Connelly RIP
Mon 19 Jun	5.30pm	St Peter's School Curriculum Meeting	Governors
Tue 20 Jun	9.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tue 20 Jun	10.00am	Memorial St Alban	Fr Ian Ker RIP
Tue 20 Jun	2.00pm	Marks Review Meeting Oscott Collenge	
Wed 21 Jun	10.30am	Memorial St Aloysius Gonzaga	Mr M E Connelly RIP
Wed 21 Jun	11.30am	Prayer Service The Lakes	
Wed 21 Jun	3.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Wed 21 Jun	4.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Wed 21 Jun	5.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Thu 22 Jun	9.30am	Mass in St Peter's School	Fr Lewis RIP and family
Fri 23 Jun	9.00am	Mass in Church	Mr M E Connelly RIP
Sat 24 Jun	10.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Sat 24 Jun	11.00am	Eucharistic Service	
Sat 24 Jun	5.30pm	11th SUNDAY (VIGIL)	Eric Mason and Joseph Perks
Sun 25 Jun	10.00am	11th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME at which the children of the Parish make their First Holy Communion	Pat and Barry Gardner Anniversary

ROOF WORK UPDATE—As you know the roof is leaking badly at the back of Church. The Parish Finance Committee has approved a company to do the work. The cost is £9,000. We have already received **£2,805.28** in donations and another parishioner has offered to match each pound donated up to a certain total. Thank you very much on behalf of the Parish. If you would like to make a donation directly to Fr. David just see him.

SATURDAY—

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART

A blessed Feast Day for our Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary as they celebrate their Feast Day on Saturday. We welcome all the Sisters who are travelling to Saint Peter's for the Saturday Mass and the consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

NEXT SUNDAY

The children from non-Catholic Schools will be receiving their First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers. Please note: please switch off all mobile phones

FUN CHURCH

On Saturday July 8th there will be a Fun Church in the Parish Hall for the children. From 1pm to 3pm.

The theme is **CREATION.**

There will be arts and crafts, songs, bible stories and prayers. Please give your names to Sue Kennedy, Sr Tonia, Rachel Flatley or Liz Bryant. Entrance is free but donations are welcome.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER

We have display copies of the CATHOLIC UNIVERSE at Church Entrances. If you would like to subscribe see Fr. David or email michellejones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk Or phone 07436617650

MISSION UPDATE

The "Spring" collection of the "Missio Red Box" has now been completed and the grand sum of **£665** has been sent to Misio. Thank you to all our supports for this fine effort. Well done!

WORD THIS WEEK

The people of Israel were chosen by God, to be his own people {Exodus 19:2-6}. Having chosen a people, God does not abandon them: they may be like sheep without a shepherd {Matthew 9:36 - 10:8}, but God sends them the Good Shepherd, and entrusts his disciples with the task of giving them new heart. The same God has chosen us. We must pray for labourers to give new heart to the lost sheep of our society. We must also remember our own responsibility: to live out the Covenant, and truly to be a consecrated nation.

FOODBANK UPDATE

Thank you for your kind donations, clients are in need for various reasons. **This week we fed 36 adults and 20 children.** Shortages: Tinned soup, beans, meat, fish, rice pudding, vegetables, pasta.

ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries occur this week include: **Joseph Perks, Pat Gardner, John Lea, Giovanni Tamburro, and Catherine Igboyi.**

THIS WEEK'S READERS

17-Jun Sr. Felicitas Martin Bradley
18-Jun Chioma Chukwuka Kelechi Alabaraonye

Last Weekend's Collection

Counting Team

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING

Gift Aid **£291.96**

This week **CH**

Please contact George Pitt

Non-Gift Aid **£277.96**

Next week **CH**

07926 636159 (text only) or

2nd Collection **None**

Last Weekend Mass Count

www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html

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Thank You

The value of your donation is increased **25%** if Gift-Aided - forms available from sacristy