



**Our Lady of Mount Carmel and
St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church**

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OUR FEAST DAY: Today is our Parish Feast Day, the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. It was yesterday Saturday but carried over to today to enable us to celebrate it. There will be **bring and share party** after each Mass today. With good weather there will be tables and chairs outside. Please bring anything to share with others. Don't be left out.

Mass Times, Intentions and Information

SUNDAY 17TH July 2022 – SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C
10am: Thanksgiving of 26th Wedding Anniversary of Marilou and Jose Sabalburu
12pm: People of the Parish

THURSDAY 21ST 2022 – St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
9.30am: Rosary
10.00am: Sister Mary Magdalen

MONDAY 18TH July 2022 – Feria
10.00am: **No Eucharistic Service**

FRIDAY 22ND July 2022 – St Mary Magdalene
10.00 am: **No Mass**

TUESDAY 19TH July 2022 – Feria
10am: Michael, Catherine and Michael Jordan

SATURDAY 23RD July 2022 – St. Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe
10.00am **No Mass**

WEDNESDAY 20TH July 2022 – St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
10.00:am **No Mass**

SUNDAY 24TH July 2022 – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C
10am: Nathaniel Komolafe RIP
12:00: People of the Parish

Mass at Sacred Heart Parish: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am

HOSPITAL CONTACTS If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know. **St George's Hospital:** Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069). **St Heliers and Epsom Hospital:** Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000) **Kingston Hospital:** Fr Tony Okeh (020 8546 7711) **Guy's and St. Thomas Hospital:** Fr Jake Dicto (020 7188 5588) **Chelsea and Westminster Hospital:** Call the Chaplaincy (020 3315 083 Emerg: 07659 140 566)

CARD MACHINE: The New Collection Card Machine is now active at the back of the Church. Make your donation with your credit or debit card. It is easy to use. Don't worry if you forget or have no cash, you can still make your donation to your parish

Offertory collection Sunday 10th July 2022
1st Collection £581.36. 2nd Collection: £137.
For the Apostleship of the sea. We are grateful for your contribution and support. Thank you for your help

CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST: If you want to have talk with Father Peter, please send him an e-mail: peterpagac@rcaos.org.uk or phone him on 0207 223 2747 and he will arrange a good meeting time for you to see him.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES The Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place between 19th and 26th August 2022. Sadly, as with most Lourdes pilgrimages this year, we have not been able to include pilgrims who need medical support. At the same time, we are delighted to be returning to Lourdes after two years of absence. Details are available at www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/catholicassociation. Southwark Diocese contacts are: Canon Ed Perera (edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk) & Bishop Paul Hendricks (paulhendricks@rcaos.org.uk).

COVID 19. Please note that in this church facemasks and hand sanitiser are in use. Clearly parishioners who care for the health of their neighbour, as well as their own, will consider very carefully the advantages of continuing to sanitise their hands and of wearing a mask in church, it must be a mask covering nose and face. Whatever you think, thank you for thinking of others before yourself.

Vincentian Volunteers are Catholic young people aged 18-35, from all over the world, who commit a year of their lives to the service of vulnerable people. During their year with us, they live in a community of three or four people and engage in voluntary work in partnership with other, well known charity organisations in order to help the impoverished, the homeless, the disabled, refugees and those suffering with addictions within the local community. We are still recruiting for 2022/23 (September 2022 to July 2023) for more details visit <https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk/>

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY 2022 We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

OFFICE HOURS: The Parish office is open Mondays and Fridays 09:30am to 4:00pm and Wednesday from 09:00am to 11.30am. The office is also open every day till 7pm except Wednesdays in case you want to speak or see someone.

PARISH MAINTENANCE: Please continue to support our Parish with your monthly donation pledge. This is a continuous donation, and the envelopes are at the back of the Church or contact the Parish Secretary or the Sacristan

St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022 The relic will be at Westminster Cathedral from 11:00am on Saturday 3 September 2022 to 9:30am on Monday 5 September 2022. For other venues please see <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relictour-2022/> or <https://stbernadette.org.uk/>.

Parish Diary and Reflection

Sunday – El Shaddai Prayer – 1:00 – 3:30pm	Saturday - Youth Practice 1:00 - 3:00pm Choir Practice:1:00 - 5:00pm
First Friday of the Month: Adoration & Benediction	Tea and Coffee: Cancelled until further Notice

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C



Today, this sixteenth Sunday of ordinary time the church reminds us of the importance of hospitality. It is a Christian virtue and our duty towards others. She also reminds us of the need to pay attention to Christ, our Guest. Most importantly, we are advised not to pay more attention to material things than to spiritual things.

In the first reading, Abraham displayed his hospitality by receiving and welcoming strangers into his house. Fortunately for him, the strangers were messengers from God.

In our second reading, Paul reminds us that Christ is the hidden mystery that God has revealed to our world. Of course, this mystery is our guest and “the hope of our glory.” In other words, He comes to us as one friend visits another.

The Gospel is the classic exposition of two different ways of following the Lord: action and contemplation. Martha represents active discipleship; Mary represents contemplative discipleship. Which of the two is more desirable? It all depends on what calling we received. Some are called to active ministry; others are called to contemplative ministry. It is obvious that most Christians have misplaced their priorities in life. This is despite the fact that we labour much in the house of God. Hence the saying that: “One has time for the work of God, but no time for God the owner of the work.” Many of us are so distracted today by too many social and material activities that we hardly have time for any spiritual reflection.

We need to cement our relationship with Christ by sitting close to him as a family, and by paying attention to what he has to say to us. Christ needs our attention because he has something new to teach us every day. He wants to spend some quality time with us each day. So, we must not allow anything to prevent us from welcoming him or taking away our attention from his presence. He wants us to live in his presence all the time. Hence, the psalmist reminds us today that: *“The just will live in the presence of the Lord!”*

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED: If you have made your First Holy Communion and interested in serving Mass (Membership of Guild of St Stephen) Please contact the Clergy or Dorna – Parish Secretary

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM To baptise your child please hone the Parish Office to book for the class, arrange a date and time of baptism. We request ALL PARENTS, who wish to get their child baptised, to bring their own baptism certificates as proof that they are Catholics, a copy of their child’s birth certificate and proof of address along with the Baptism Form collected at the back of the church. GODPARENTS will need to bring their baptism certificate to proof they are practicing Catholics

SCHOOLS VACATION We take this opportunity to wish all Head teachers, staff and pupils of St Mary’s school, Battersea, a well-deserved break for their summer holidays. Please remember that when you are away you are still in a relationship with Jesus. We wish you a happy and safe vacation

Marriage Papers/Preparation: All couples planning to get married in the UK or abroad are required to notify the Parish Priest at least 6 (Six) months before the date of the wedding.

How To Have A Mass Offered: Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope which you will find at the back of Church or alternatively you may ask a member of the parish Clergy for one. Once completed, place in the Collection bags on Sunday or hand it to any of the clergy, Parish Secretary or the Sacristan, or if during the week put it through the Priest’s House letterbox. It is important that you use the pre-printed Mass Intention envelopes so that we know who has requested the Mass. Charity Number: 1173050 **(PLEASE STOP COMING TO THE OFFICE ON SUNDAYS TO BOOK MASSES – USE THE ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH)**