THIS WEEK:

Mon — Sat: 10am Mass **Exposition and Confessions to** 11am.

Monday (Day Chapel) and Friday: Evening Mass at 6.30pm.

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8, James 1:17-18,21-22,27, Mark 7:1-8,14 -15,21-23.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

JULY: £12.917

(of which contactless: £1728)

Week average: £3,229

Thank you for your generosity.

Funeral: Hannah Reid-Bryant: Friday 6 September, 11.30am

Fr. Eddy Bermingham SJ:

St Anselm, Southall, 12 noon Monday 9 September.

(Fr. Eddy was a member of the Jesuit community here for several years before the Covid lockdown. He died on 13 August. RIP).

Pope's Prayer Intention (September): For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to care for the world in which we live.

NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 6:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass **Evening Mass Monday and Friday at** 6.30pm

Padre Pio/Divine Mercy Mass: 2nd and 4th Tuesday 6.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation:

after 10am Mass each weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or by appointment.

Rosary: 11am each weekday

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat SJ. Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ,

Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ, Fr. Pierce Gibson SJ (Studies), Fr. John Moffatt SJ (LJC), Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ (Congo), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Kevin De Souza Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . M-Th 9am — 1pm Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

If you have any concerns about safety of a child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please contact our Safequarding Representatives: Angela Anyanwu, 07979047550 or Bernadeta Dymek stamfordhillsq1@safequardrcdow.org.uk



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SEASON OF CREATION 2024-2025

September brings the opening of the Catholic Church's Season of Creation. This is an initiative of Pope Francis to strengthen our awareness of the care of our common home, and to strive for greater attention, especially by our government and civic leaders, to the protection of our environment, our air, soil, vegetation and water, with a determination to prevent erosion of our resources and to slow down destructive climate change.

In the letter of Paul the apostle to the Romans, the biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). Francis of Assisi understood this when he referred to the Earth as our sister and our mother in his Canticle of Creatures. The times we live in show that we are not relating to the Earth as a gift from our Creator, but rather as a resource to be used.

And yet, there is hope and the expectation for a better future. To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and guiet, but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles. Just as in childbirth, we go through a period of intense pain, but new life springs forth.

The symbol for 2024 is: The firstfruits of hope

Hope is an instrument enabling us to overcome the natural law of decay. Hope is given to us by God as a protection and guard against futility. Only through hope we may realize the gift of freedom in fullness. Freedom to act not only to achieve enjoyment and prosperity, but to reach the stage in which we are free and responsible. Freedom and responsibility enable us to make the world a better place. Only when we work together with Creation can the firstfruits of hope emerge. /over

Responsorial Psalm: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

JESUIT MISSIONS is hosting a prayer event at Farm Street Church on Saturday 28th September at 10am to mark the Season of Creation. This will be followed by a themed prayer walk through Central London. Learn more at https://jesuitmissions.org.uk/campaign/season-of-creation-2024-to-hope-and-act-with-creation

There will be a Memorial Mass for blessed Jacques-Desire Laval CssP on Monday 9 September at 9.15 am at St John Vianney Church -West Green. Blessed Laval is known as 'The Apostle of Mauritius'. All are invited and refreshments will be provided after the Mass.

WHAT IS OUR LORD ASKING OF YOU? Jesuit Priests and brothers

Vocation comes from a Latin word meaning "calling" or "voice." Every single person in the world is called personally by God to love, reverence and serve Him. Each person can discover their calling through prayer and discernment.

Hearing and understanding the call of God's voice requires distinguishing it from the background noise and from the other voices seeking your attention. This process of discernment - discerning the movement of God's Spirit in your desires, thoughts, moods and feelings - helps you recognise how God speaks to you through the experiences of your everyday life.

For nearly 500 years, Jesuits have taken up Christ's challenge to serve a world in need for the greater glory of God and the help of souls. Jesuits are a religious order of priests and brothers in the Catholic Church. At the end of a two-year novitiate period, they take three vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Poverty, to share the life of the poor, chastity, to be Christ-like men for others in friendship with all, and obedience, to respond to the call of Christ and so be available to be sent in celibacy to wherever the need is greatest.

After the Novitiate, men called to be Jesuit brothers follow a flexible programme of formation, tailored to maximise their natural gifts. It may involve some form of special studies or skills training and be rooted in a

particular work or aspect of the Society's mission.

Men called to serve as Jesuit priests become known as scholastics after they profess their first vows at the end of the novitiate and move into studies of philosophy and theology, essential components of ordained, priestly ministry in the Church.

An important and distinctive feature of Jesuit formation for both scholastics and brothers is a two-year "regency" period. For scholastics, this comes between academic studies of philosophy and theology. It entails the individual working pastorally full-time in a Jesuit ministry, further developing his strengths and gifts and deepening his

discernment about God's invitation to follow him as a Jesuit priest or brother. Regencies are wide-ranging in scope and span the diversity of Jesuit works: teaching in a Jesuit school, offering pastoral support in a university chaplaincy or Jesuit parish, accompanying destitute refugees and migrants with the Jesuit Refugee Service in London (or overseas) or helping to

migrants with the Jesuit Refugee Service in London (or overseas) or helping to bring St Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises to people through retreats and workshops at a Jesuit Spirituality Centre or online.

The history of the Jesuits is a history of mission! Unlike diocesan priests, Jesuit priests are not ordained to a particular geographic area to serve a local church under a bishop. Jesuits - priests and brothers - can be sent all over the world and this is still something that makes the life of a Jesuit relatively unique. Jesuits are sent to where the needs are greatest and in particular to the frontiers where faith and culture meet, where peoples of different faiths and no faith encounter one another. Because of this, most Jesuit priests live very varied lives, ministering in many different places and ways in their lifetime. If you would like to explore becoming a Jesuit priest or brother, our Province Vocations Promoter, Fr Dermot Preston SJ would love to talk to you! You can get in touch with him at vocations@jesuit.org.uk

Sunday ministries: Servers and choir: We are inviting children who have already received their First Holy Communion to volunteer to be altar servers at the 9.30am or 11am Mass.

Choir: Please contact Ann (our director of Music) if you would like to sing with the junior choir at the 9.30am Mass.