

THIS WEEK:

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

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

Tuesday 6.30pm: *Padre Pio Mass.*

Readings: Isa 35:4-7; James 2:1-5;
Mark 7:31-37

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

JULY: £12,917

(of which contactless: £1728)

Week average: £3,229

Thank you for your generosity.

Social Apostolate: Monday to
Wednesday, 11—2pm. Serving
food and warm drinks, and
providing social support.

Volunteers always welcome. Ask
for Gabi.

Funeral: Ann Elizabeth Kelly RIP.
Wednesday 11th September 12
noon.

There will be a Memorial Mass for
blessed Jacques-Desire Laval CSSP on 9
September 9.15 am at St John Vianney
Church -West Green. Bl Laval is known
as 'The Apostle of Mauritius'.
Refreshments will be provided
after the Mass.



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/Divine Mercy: 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 Safeguarding Representatives:
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**23rd Sunday Year B
8th September 2024**

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God chose the poor to be rich in faith

At one of the weekday Masses this week we heard the famous story of Jesus entering his home town of Nazareth and reading out from the prophet Isaiah: “he has sent me to bring the good news to poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and to the blind, new sight.” He then declares “this text is being fulfilled today even as you listen”. In the second reading at Mass, which is taken from the Letter of James, the writer seeks to follow the example and teaching of Jesus in several ways; for one, he speaks out against any kind of snobbishness. We are to see everyone that we meet as a child of God, as a person created by God and loved by God. The standard that we should keep to is that of Christ himself, who made himself poor, and who advised simplicity in all things, especially to people he chose to set out on his mission. The writer of the Letter makes it clear: “Listen, it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.” We are being invited to endeavour not to judge people by their outward appearance, but to accept them as who they are: children of God.

I had the honour on Friday of celebrating the Requiem Mass and burying Hannah Jane Reid-Bryant. She was a remarkable woman who lived until she was 93, full of faith, joy and love. “Holy Hannah”, as she called herself (!), was a regular participant in every aspect of the life of the parish for several decades, especially as a dedicated catechist in the First Holy Communion programme. It was good to see many parishioners, including a few who had moved away from the parish a while ago, present to honour and celebrate the life of a spirit-filled daughter of St Ignatius. May she rest in peace. It was a reminder to me of the

Responsorial Psalm: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

remarkable contribution that so many volunteers make to the joyous and spiritual atmosphere that is such a significant part of the life of our parish and in particular of our beautiful church. It does not matter whether we are infants, children, young adults, or senior members. We can all help to sustain the spirit of Christ's joy and love in our community, when we celebrate Sunday or daily Mass together, but also simply in the way we live our lives, filled with the joy of people who serve the Lord. The more that we do this, the more we receive from the Lord. Christ is never exhausted in the courage, support, energy and consolation that he offers to those who pray and work for the building up of his kingdom here on earth.

Fr. Andrew SJ

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>

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.

Fr. Eddy Bermingham SJ:

Funeral at 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.

Catholic Education Service: Retiring Collection

The Catholic Education Service provides all kinds of support and advice in every aspect of Catholic Education in this country. They offer advice and direction on a broad range of educational matters such as, Religious Education and curriculum issues, Catholic Life of a school, staffing and recruitment, governance, admissions and capital and academy developments. In order to do this, the team work closely with Parishes, Local Authorities, the Department for Education, NGA and the National College for Teaching and Leadership.

Here is a prayer to use today:

Dear Lord, Thank you for the gift of Catholic education. Thank you for all those who have given their talents to educating our young people. Through the challenges they encounter each day, lead them to an ever deeper appreciation of the sacred duty to which you have called them.

Thank you for all those who contribute to the efficient running of our Catholic education sector: chaplains, support staff, kitchen staff, maintenance staff, governors and trustees. We thank them for their hard work and dedication.

Thank you for all the leaders of Catholic education. May they be people of integrity so that they can be witnesses as well as teachers. We pray that the schools they lead will become places where our young people can experience your love in their lives.

Thank you for our pupils and students. May your love strengthen and nurture them through the influence and example of those who care for them. We pray that through their time at school and university they will flourish and grow to discover who you have called them to be. We make this prayer through your Son, Jesus Christ, our teacher and our Lord, Amen.