### THIS WEEK:

Mon — Sat: 10am Mass
Exposition and Confessions to
11am, followed by Rosary.
Monday (Day Chapel) and Friday:
Mass also at 6.30pm

**Tuesday:** *Divine Mercy* Mass

6.30pm

**ALPHA COURSE: Wednesday** 

7.15pm

Thursday: Readers meeting,

6.30pm

READINGS: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1 -8; Luke 16:1-13

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

AUGUST Total: £13,594.67
Standing order/online and contactless: £5,666.83
Week average: £2,719
Thank you so much!

Congratulations to Christopher Brolly SJ, who was ordained deacon in Boston Saturday 20th September. He will be ordained to the priesthood in Newcastle next summer.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Fr. Bernard Charles SJ** who has died. Fr. Bernard was a greatly loved priest at our parish for 12 years until 2016. Funeral tbc.

## **NORMAL CHURCH TIMES**

Saturday Evening 6.30<sup>pm</sup> (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30<sup>pm</sup>, 6:30<sup>pm</sup>

Mass in Spanish: 4.30<sup>pm</sup>

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass
Monday and Friday: 6.30pm Mass
Padre Pio and Divine Mercy Masses:
2nd and 4th Tuesday each month
6.30pm

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

after 10am Mass each weekday Saturdays, or by appointment. Rosary: 11am each weekday.

#### **PARISH STAFF & TEAM**

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

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

Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Anthony Aduaka SJ (ANW, KCL), Fr. Roseller Atilano SJ (PHI, LSE) Fr. Harry Elias SJ, Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ (ACE, *Arise* Project), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Axel Rejas
Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.
Tel: 020 8800 2262 . T-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: Angela Anyanwu, 07979047550 or Bernadeta Dymek stamfordhillsg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk



# 25th Sunday Year C 21st September 2025

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# Evangelii Gaudium: The Joy of the Gospel "I believe"

This year, the Church has been celebrating a significant anniversary. It is 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea. This great gathering of Bishops from around the Church began the work to formulate the creed we proclaim Sunday by Sunday. It is the content of this creed that is our mission, so that we may know and love God in this life, in order to be happy with him forever in the next. The creed begins with a profound proclamation, "I believe..." When we say "I believe" we are also saying "I belong". In what can sometimes be the chaos and messiness of our own lives, the answer God invariably gives us is to join with the whole family of God and say, "I believe."

At the heart of it all, the Christian must be a believer, to be able to say, "I believe," someone who converses with God. If this is not the case, then all our activities are futile. The most important thing we can do for ourselves and for each other is, first of all, to be a believer. Through this we let God come into the world. And if God is not at work, our work will never be enough; when people sense that someone is there who believes, who lives with God and from God, hope becomes a reality in their lives.

Through the faith of the Christian, doors open up all around for people: it is really possible to believe, even today. All human believing is a believing-with, and for this reason the one who believes before us is so important. Where were we inspired to believe? Who handed on to us the gift of the faith? This year, we celebrate the faith and belief of the Bishops at Nicaea. They handed on to us a way in which we can proclaim the truth of who God is and who we are as the people of God. /over

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

As the gospel of St John reminds us, "Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." (John 6.29). To do the work of God is to believe.

St. Augustine tells us that God made us to make the times, not the times to make us, and unless we make the times better with the light of Jesus Christ, then the times will make us worse with the darkness of despair. This is only possible when we say with honest and open hearts "I believe." Hope is despair overcome and the way we enkindle hope in the hearts of all is to believe. As we rejoice in the gift of the creed, 1,700 years since the great Council of Nicaea, through all the ups and downs of life, may we be able to say with joyful hearts, "yes Lord, I believe." Amen. (Abbot Hugh Allan, *O.Praem Director of Mission*)

**There will be a retiring Collection today** to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. Please hold this important work in your prayers.

Accompaniment Prayer: The three London Jesuit parishes will join together on this coming Saturday 27 September 10:30 —3.30pm at the Jesuit Centre in Mount Street (near Green Park Station) for a day of prayer, reflection and discussion about the ministry of accompaniment of others. Please bring a packed lunch.

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION SEPTEMBER:

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Meeting for Ministers of the Word and anyone who would like to become a Reader: 6.30-8.30p.m. This Thursday. For more information email: nicola vvv@hotmail.com

ALPHA COURSE: Please see the posters and handouts for information about this exciting programme. Wednesdays in the parish hall, 715pm to 9.15pm: All seeking faith are welcome. Programme runs until mid-November.

## INVITATION: COMMENT ABOUT THE "WASTEGROUND" PROJECT

Parishioners have until **29 September 2025** to send in comments (using this link) about the proposals for the Wasteground. This project has been "in the works" for a very long time. Your enthusiastic support will be greatly appreciated. The project is entirely funded by the Society of Jesus, and will not use any of the parish resources. http://tiny.cc/esos001



