

St. Mary and St. John's Church

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MASSES INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 21st August.
6.30pm (Sunday Vigil) **Oke Okoji RIP**
SUNDAY: 22nd August. 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.00am: (Sung Mass) **Tom & Jane Luxton's 25th Wedding Anniversary**
11.30am: **Dr. Kelechi's Family**
MONDAY: 23rd August. St. John Wall, English Martyr
10.00am: **Dr. Kelechi's Family**
TUESDAY: 24th August. St. Bartholomew, Apostle
10.00am: **Dr. Kelechi's Family**
WEDNESDAY: 25th August. Feria or St. St. Louis of France or St. Joseph Calasanz
10.00am: **Dr. Kelechi's Family**
THURSDAY: 26th August. The Feast of Our Lady of Jasna Gora or Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God (Barberi)
10.00am: **Dr. Kelechi's Family**
FRIDAY: 27th August. St. Monica
11.00-11.45 am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12.00 noon: **Edward Doherty RIP**
SATURDAY: 28th August. St. Augustine of Hippo
9.30am:
6.30pm (Sunday Vigil) **Pat & Tony Nicholls' Intentions**
SUNDAY: 29th August. 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.00am (Sung Mass) **Parishioners**
11.30am: **Joseph Lakeland RIP**

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AT SUNDAY MASSES

10.00am: Bro. Stephen, Tom Luxton
Next week: Mary Smith, Jane Luxton
11.30am: David Lashford

READERS AT SUNDAY MASSES

6.30pm Saturday: This week: Verna Doyle
Next week: Tony Mear
10.00am Sunday: This week: Jane Luxton
Next week: Mary Smith
11.30am This week: Abin Thomas, Jude Joseph Gubral
Next week: Alan Thomas

COUNTING TEAMS:

This week: Mr. & Mrs. Wynn, Father Dawid
Next week: Emmanuel Bastian, Keith Wycherley

COLLECTIONS LAST SUNDAY:

Offertory: Covenants: £189.60 Loose: £375.15
Thank you for your very generous contributions

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

This week: Church Maintenance
Next week: Church Maintenance

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WHO ARE SICK OR

HOUSEBOUND: Leon Stefek (Father Kazimierz's Father), David Deller, Bridget Ryan, David Barlow, Bridget Keane, Gerard Lawlor, Kathleen Reynolds, Pauline Ryan, Molly Ball, Tim Shee, John and Vona Smout, Hilda Westwood, Iris Duncan, Margaret Kenny, Pat Burton, Peter Blackwell, Keith Basudev, Ken and Hazel Harris, Bridget Lawrence, Anil Basudev, June Randles, Colleen Nicholas, Ann Proffitt, Joan Lindsell, Floss Jenkins, Sister Kay, Frances Page, Frances Butler, Mrs. MacDonald, Marie Matthews, Sister Dominic, Mary Landers, David Lashford, Margaret Davies, Olga Borowa and all those who are physically or mentally handicapped.

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr. Alan Smith, assistant priest here 1969-70; Mgr. Richard Foster, a frequent visitor in Holy Week in the 1960s and 70s; Sister Mary of Mercy, long-time Head of our School: Alan Wynn.



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CONFESSIONS:

Friday 11.00 – 11.45am Saturday: 10.00am – 10.30am
AND BY REQUEST

ROSARY

Mon. – Thurs.: following 10.00am Mass. Fri.: 11.30am
Sat.: following 9.30am Mass. **Sunday at 5.00pm**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will recommence on Sunday 12th September, at 10.00am Mass.

OUR TUESDAY CLUB will recommence at 1.30pm on Tuesday 14th September.

GENTLE KEEP-FIT in our hall every Tuesday, 11.00am until 12 noon. If you wish to join, just turn up, you will be made very welcome.

PAPAL VISIT: If you have signed the list to attend the Papal Mass on Sunday 19th September, could you please pay the £25 for each Pilgrim's ticket as soon as possible. Jan Wynn will be collecting the money following each Sunday Mass. If you have decided not to go please let us know as soon as possible. Further details will be given as soon as they have been received.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JANE AND TOM LUXTON, who celebrate their Silver Wedding Anniversary this week.

THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF JASNA GORA is on Thursday 26th August, so to celebrate this feast a NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF JASNA GORA is said at the Masses until her feast day.

CONGRATULATION TO OUR DEAR BROTHER RAFAL, who celebrates his birthday on Wednesday 25th August. We commend him to the special care of Our Lady and we ask God to continue to support him in the many duties he carries out in our Church. Thank you Brother Rafal!

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

OUR LADY OF JASNA GORA (Thursday) – The image portrays the Holy Mother pensive in sufferings, with deep sorrow reflected in her eyes and clouded brow. Science traces the origin of the Picture to the 5th or 6th century AD. The dark colouring on the faces and hands is characteristic of pictures painted during this period. In the year 1382, the Pauline Fathers were entrusted with the guarding of the Miraculous Painting of Our Lady of Jasna Gora.

BLESSED DOMINIC OF THE MOTHER OF GOD (Barberi) was born in Viterbo, Italy in 1792. He was drawn to the Passionist Order, and was ordained. He proved a very devoted preacher and missionary throughout Italy, but he conceived a desire to help spread the Faith in England. Unexpectedly he was offered the opportunity to work in England arriving here in 1841. The beginning of his work was far from auspicious. He had virtually no English, and he went about in his cassock. But in England Catholic priests did not wear clerical dress so as not to attract opposition and jibes. Dominic would have none of this, but he was attacked, jeered at and had things thrown at him by mobs. Nevertheless he persevered, and his holiness impressed many, both Catholics and non-Catholics. He set up a mission in Staffordshire, at Aston near Stone, and from there founded four houses of Passionist Fathers. He travelled around especially in North Staffs., encouraging many Catholics to express their faith more openly. Newman was greatly impressed by Dominic's evangelical spirit, and he, Newman, was received into the Church by Dominic. But his incessant labours took their toll, dying of a heart attack on Reading Station, age 57. As he lay dying he murmured "Thy Will be done: in peace will I sleep and take my rest". Dominic of the Mother of God, continue to pray for England which was so dear to you.