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**Fr Albert Ofere**  
**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8th August 2021**



**Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August:** **The Church** - Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Sat 7th	6 p.m.	People of the Parish	
Sun 8th	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	M Downing R.I.P. P Jones R.I.P.; Fr Hugh's Int	<b>No Evening Mass</b>
Mon 9th	St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	C I Fernandes & T Coutinho R.I.P. C Borges Int	
Tues 10th	St Lawrence	D Lourenco & C D'Costa R.I.P.	
Wed 11th	St Clare	7 p.m. J & J Cardenas R.I.P.; D Coelho Int	
Thurs 12th	Feria	E McMorro R.I.P.; R & V DeSouza R.I.P. <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament;</b>	
Fri 13th	Feria	Souls in Purgatory	
Sat 14th	St Maximilian Kolbe	G Fernando R.I.P. ; Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour	<b>Reconciliation 10.40 a.m. &amp; 5.15 p.m.</b>

- We are invited in the first reading, to recognise ourselves in the Elijah story as people who, if they are to be faithful on the journey, need to be sustained. We can easily become dispirited either at our own shortcomings or at the failings of others. However, as we are often reminded in the scriptures, we must learn to rely not only on our own resources but on the guiding presence of God that directs our life. It is probably true to say that it is almost a necessity in our journey of faith that we come to a low point. In the biblical tradition and in that of the church, all the heroes and heroines come to a stage where they too have to acknowledge their own weakness and utter dependence on God. This does not come easily to us because it can seem like failure. That is when we need to remind ourselves of what the Lord said to Paul: 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' (2 Cor 12:9)**

- Maximilian Kolbe** was a Conventual Franciscan Friar who died as prisoner 16670 in Auschwitz, on Tuesday **August 14, 1941**. When a prisoner escaped from the camp, the Nazis selected 10 others to be killed by starvation in reprisal for the escape. One of the 10 selected to die, Franciszek Gajowniczek, began to cry: "My wife! My children! I will never see them again!" At this Father Kolbe stepped forward and asked to die in his place - his request was granted. As the ten condemned men were led off to the death Block of Building 13, Father Kolbe supported a fellow prisoner who could hardly walk. No one would emerge alive - Father Kolbe was the last to die. On October 10, 1982, Pope John Paul II canonized him, proclaiming also that he was to be venerated as a martyr. St. Maximilian Kolbe is considered a patron of journalists, families, prisoners, the pro-life movement and the chemically addicted.

#### **Dates for your Diary:**

- Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** will meet on Wednesday, 22nd September after 7 pm. Mass.
- Readers** on Thursday, 23rd September at 7 p.m.
- Altar Servers** on Saturday. 25th September at 11 a.m.
- Everyone is expected to attend their appropriate meeting.**

- **Church Offerings:** Thank you to everyone who continues to support the parish financially. If you wish to donate by standing order our details **WRDCT English Martyrs** Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account Number 71308335. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

- **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Reconciliation will be on Saturdays at 10.40 a.m. & 5.15 p.m. in the church.
- **Please note:** There will be **NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST**

**Coming to Mass:** It is important that we continue to ensure our church remains a place where people feel safe to gather to worship. To enable us to do this we ask that every parishioner to follow the guidelines given by the Bishops of England and Wales. We continue to take these precautions for the common good to protect the people around us.

**Please use** sanitisers as you enter and leave the church.

**Wearing a face mask is strongly recommended**

**Track & Trace:** we are still obliged to keep record of people attending, there are a number of ways you can do this – 1. **You can** use QR code in porch. 2. **You can** write your details on sheet in porch or if you prefer **you can** register online for weekday and weekend masses.

- **Confirmation Certificates** will be presented to the candidates on Saturday, 14th August at 6 p.m. Mass. Refreshments in the hall afterwards. Candidates must endeavour to attend.
- **First Communion Certificates** will be presented to the children on Sunday, 19th September at 11 a.m. Mass.
- **First Communion & Confirmation 2021:** Photographs are available to be viewed and purchased please follow link. <http://emwp-photography.blogspot.com/>  
**Tel: 020 8200 0854**

- **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** will be celebrated at all Masses next weekend. Novena in preparation for The Assumption of the Virgin Mary continues after mass this week. May Our Blessed Mother pray for us.

### Beatitudes of Life

Blessed are the faithful:  
they are like safe anchors in a world of broken moorings.

Blessed are the just:  
they are to society what leaven is to bread.

Blessed are the generous:  
they keep alive faith in the essential goodness of people.

Blessed are the caring:  
they shine like beacons in a world darkened by indifference.

Blessed are the genuine:  
they glow like gems in a world of falseness.  
Blessed are those who are not afraid of sacrifice:  
on the day of the harvest they will sing for joy.  
And blessed are those who refuse to look back:  
they will be found worthy of the Kingdom of heaven.

### Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,

*I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar.*

*I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.*

*Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.*  
Amen

### Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify us.

Body of Christ, save us.

Blood of Christ, inebriate us.

Water from the side of Christ, wash us.

Passion of Christ, strengthen us.

O Good Jesus, hear us.

Within Thy wounds hide us.

Suffer us not to be separated from thee.

From the malicious enemy defend us.

In the hour of our death call us.

And bid us come unto Thee,

That with all Thy saints,

we may praise thee

Forever and ever.

Amen