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Fr Albert Ofere 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5th September 2021



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for September: An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Sat 4th	6 p.m.	P Mulligan R.I.P.	
Sun 5th	9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m.	L Rodrigues R.I.P. Donnel R.I.P.; P & Flory 56th Wed; P & C Lee 63rd Wed.	No Evening Mass
Mon 6th	Feria	D Da Costa R.I.P.	
Tues 7h	Feria	M Fahy Int; G Chandrasena R.I.P.	
Wed 8th	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7 p.m. J Kilcoyne R.I.P. A Gomez Int; N Pereira Thanksgiving	
Thurs 9th	Feria	C Rodrigues R.I.P. G Da Costa R.I.P. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Fri 10th	Feria	B Moran R.I.P. J Hennigan R.I.P.	
Sat 11th	Our Lady's Saturday	D Da Costa R.I.P.; Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour	Reconciliation 10.40 a.m. & 5.15 p.m.

By the time of Jesus' many religious traditions were in place which served to differentiate between those who were on the inside and those who were outsiders. This led to divisions, inequality and oppression — the very things that the covenant was supposed to eradicate. So when Jesus reached out to the poor, to sinners and those on the margins he was bringing into focus once again the kind of world God wanted. His was a love that included everyone and which could not be bought. In commanding that the ears of the deaf man be opened there is a message to us all, especially those who think that their hearing is perfect. Our ability to really hear the good news can be limited by many things, especially closed minds and hearts. Perhaps as individuals and as a community our prayer during this Sunday Eucharist might be that we would be opened to all the transformation that God wants to work in us.



- **St Margaret Clitherow School:** Please remember Mrs. Heath and all the school community in your prayers as they begin a new academic year
- To all our young people starting secondary school our best wishes for a smooth beginning. And for all heading to college or university every success.

A Pupil's Prayer for a New School Year

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me. Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends.

Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!
Amen
console

- Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Fr Albert following the death of his mum Christy Idudu | Ofere on Monday night. Please remember her and all of Fr Albert's family in your prayers at this very difficult time. Fr will be travelling to Nigeria for the funeral.
- Our prayers also to the Regan family following the death of Joe on Thursday. Please keep Joe and his family in your prayers.
- May they both rest in peace and may the Lord console the Ofere and Regan families in their grief. ∥
- There will be NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS until further notice. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Keeping our church, a safe place to gather to worship:

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.

Please note the following meetings have been postponed.

- 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.
- <u>Church Offerings:</u> 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. You can also use the contactless machine at the back of the church. Your generosity is very much appreciated.
- St Margaret Clitherow School: Foodbank is open Monday Friday 12.00 1 p.m. (Parishioners welcome)
- First Communion Certificates will be presented to the children on Sunday, 19th September at 11 a.m. Mass.
- <u>First Communion & Confirmation 2021:</u> Photographs are available to be viewed and purchased please follow link. http://emwp-photography.blogspot.com/ <u>Tel: 020 8200 0854</u>

Is this for you OR for someone you know? St Scholastica's Retreat – Open Day – Saturday, 25th September The Retreat offers sheltered housing to Catholics aged 60 or over in 36 self-contained flats at £562pcm – more information on the poster and from The Warden: Deacon Seán Duffy – Princes Risborough (01844) 344437. Email: info@stscholasticas.co.uk www.stscholasticas.co.uk

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