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**Fr Albert Ofere**  
**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**16th October 2022**

**Pope Francis Prayer Intention for October:** A Church Open to Everyone - We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

<b>Sun 16th</b>	(Sat) 6 p.m. 9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6 p.m.	B Kelly R.I.P.; Nathan & Stephanie Int M O'Malley R.I.P. Josafina, Petro & Luigia R.I.P. Mgr Richard R.I.P.; People of the Parish	
<b>Mon 17th</b>	Feria	V Harty R.I.P.	
<b>Tues 18th</b>	Feria	N M Edge R.I.P.	
<b>Wed 19th</b>	Feria	7 p.m. R Fernando R.I.P.; B Fernandes R.I.P.	
<b>Thurs 20th</b>	St Edward the Confessor	C McDermott R.I.P.	<b>Exposition until 11 a.m.</b>
<b>Fri 21st</b>	Feria	T Kinsella R.I.P.	
<b>Sat 22nd</b>	St Teresa of Jesus	G Nash R.I.P.	<b>Reconciliation 10.40 a.m. &amp; 5.15 p.m.</b>

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### **People with Backbone**

We like people with backbone, the courage of their convictions; who follow through on what they say they will do, who are not wishy-washy. Jesus was like that. He feels a fire in his heart, in his belly and he wants it to be lit. The fire is the fire of justice - wanting the justice this widow was due. The job of the judge at that time was to care for the widow and orphan, the neglected ones of society. She had a right to his assistance. What he stands for, the church stands for, even with opposition. This is a culture which supports life at all stages; which speaks out against any injustice; which supports love and wants to encourage relationships of real and genuine love. Its views on sexuality and sexual relationships will mirror that, in a world where sex can be casually viewed and used. The Church supports the elderly, and a culture of sharing rather than accumulation of wealth; works and supports peace in the world; And joins the fire of Jesus to bring the reign of God alive in the world. The fire of Jesus is the fire of love, compassion and justice - three core values of the Christian and the Church. We need to keep all that alive and not get caught up in administration and buildings, even overriding regrets about the past. Can we hope that we can be a Church that fulfils and makes alive the best of the fire of Jesus? He 'has come to bring fire to the earth' and wants it to be kindled.

**Lord, may your kingdom come.**

- **Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday**, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people. If you use the donation envelopes to give by credit/debit card, please return the envelopes directly to Missio. Do not put them in the Church collection. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible: [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk)

- **Fr Albert** will be available on Mondays from **6.00 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.** to see parishioners regarding non urgent matters, including the signing of passports and other forms. **(Not school forms.)**

- **Confirmation 2023:** There will be a meeting for candidates and parents on Wednesday, 9th November after evening Mass.

- **Filipino Choir** are holding an evening of music and praise in the Church on Saturday Oct 29, 2022 at 7.30 p.m. Tickets on sale after Mass this weekend or text Becky on 07949857699 Theme is Amare et Servire (Love and Serve). Proceeds for parish hall.

- **St Margaret Clitherow School:** Foodbank is open Monday – Friday 12.00 – 1 p.m. (Parishioners welcome) Donations for the foodbank can be dropped at the school or the parish. Thank you for your continued support. It is very much appreciated.

#### Last Week's Collection:

**Envelope:** £778 **Loose Plate:** £995

**Contactless:** £162

**Building Fund:** £40

*You can now donate to the Building Fund using contactless. Thank you for your generosity*



- **Secondary School Forms:** Please contact the parish office to make an appointment on 02089042306 (during office hours only) or text 07484680296. Dates for signing are 18th, 19th and the 20th October. Please note the parish office is closed on Wednesdays.

#### 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

#### BRENT DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO THE RELICS OF S.

**BERNADETTE:** The relics of St. Bernadette to Britain, they will be at the **Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden**, from 28-30th October. On **Saturday 29th October**, the pilgrimage will make its way on foot from S. Mary Magdalen Church at **11 a.m.** praying the Holy Rosary, arriving at the Willesden Shrine for mass at 12noon. There will be an opportunity to venerate the relics, and for those who wish, at 1.30pm, to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. If you are interested, please book online at <https://stbernadette.org.uk>

- The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat at St Georges RC Church, 970 Harrow Road, Sudbury, Wembley, Middlesex, HA0 2QE on Saturday 29 October 2022 from 2 pm to 4:30 pm. The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more information

- **Benefit Dance** at the Claddagh Ring in Hendon on Friday 18th November. Music by Mary Rose and Her Band. Proceeds to send 2 Children to Lourdes and English Martyrs Hall. More details later.

**Booking a Mass:** Thank you to all those who booked Masses. I kindly encourage everyone to book Masses for your personal intentions and for the needs of your loved ones. You can also book Masses for those who are sick and for the repose of the souls of those who have died. To book a Mass, please write the Mass Intention, place it in an envelope with the stipends, kindly hand to myself or Mary. You can also call the office on phone to book a Mass. Meet me or Mary also to book a Mass directly. Thank you.

**Those who are Sick:** At Sunday Masses, Parishioners, Families and Friends who are Sick or Housebound are prayed for. If you would like to add a name to the Sick list, kindly email or call the parish office by Friday. Thank you.

**Those who have Died:** If a loved one has died recently, kindly let us know the name so that we can add it to the names of those we are praying for at Mass. Kindly let us know when it's their anniversary so we can pray for them at Mass also.

**Visiting the Sick & Housebound:** If you know of someone who would like a visit and to receive holy communion please, let us know. Thank you