

## 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY (C)

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Hymns for 11 am Mass	Entrance: 819 Post-Communion: 892	Offertory: 731 Recessional: 883	Communion: 78



### The call to social justice and peace

We are called to be people who are on the side of those who are oppressed. We are to stand up for those who are poor, who are so often exploited by rich people for the sake of material gain. It is vital to put money and power into proper perspective in our lives. We cannot serve both God and money.

You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.

### The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

#### Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

Sat 17	18:30	First Mass of Sunday Deceased members of the Ingram Family RIP
Sun 18	09.30 11.00	✠ <b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY (C)</b> Intention of Anthony Chilaka & Family Thanksgiving Mass to Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for a Wonderful Miracle and Prayers Answered Recently
<b>Funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth II RIP National Bank Holiday</b>		
Mon 19	09.30	Saint Theodore of Canterbury Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II RIP Rosary
Tue 20	09.30	Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn Holy Souls Rosary
Wed 21	09.30	Saint † Matthew Rev T. Sullivan RIP Rosary
Thu 22	09.30	Chantal Paraiso RIP Rosary
Fri 23	09.30	Saint Pius of Pietrelcina [Padre Pio] People of the Parish Exposition
Sat 24	09.30 18:30	Our Lady of Walsingham Lance & Mavis Waters RIP (First Mass of Sunday) Wellbeing of Anne
Sun 25	09.30 11.00	✠ <b>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (C)</b> Holy Souls Bernadette & Sean Lally RIP

#### Sharing the Word

##### First Reading

Amos was a great champion of social justice. He condemned the separation old worship from the proper treatment of other people. He condemned the oppression of the poor, as well as the judicial system that denied them any hope of obtaining justice. He deplores the greed of the wealthy who cannot wait for the holy days to be over so that they can get back to making money by dishonest practices. They will face divine judgement.

##### Second Reading

God wants everyone to be saved, and to come to knowledge of the truth. Christ, our mediator, gave himself as a ransom for all. Therefore, we should pray for everyone, but especially for those who bear the responsibility of public office.

##### Gospel

The Bible does not always give us examples to be imitated. At times it gives us examples to be learned from painfully. The servant in today's gospel is one such example. The astute but dishonest steward is presented to teach Christians the wise use of money. For Luke to use money wisely is to give it to the poor, and thus ensure one's eternal salvation.

#### Church Cleaning

Our church is always very clean. We owe this to a few ladies who come every Wednesday to clean the church.

The number of people coming to clean the church has been going down. There are many vacancies in the ministry of keeping the church clean. The cleaners do their work on Wednesdays after the morning mass. All are welcome to join them. When there are many hands, the work becomes easy and enjoyable.

### First Holy Communion 2023

Applications forms for first holy Communion are available on the table which is at the back of the church. Parents with children ready to do their first holy communion next year, should pick up an application form and return the completed form to the parish office. The parents will be invited by email to attend the first meeting of the parents.

### Confirmation 2023

Applications for confirmation are available on the table which is at the back of the church. Parents with children ready to receive the sacrament of confirmation should pick up an application form and return the completed form to the parish office. We will announce the date when the programme will begin. We need a coordinator for confirmation. Anybody interested in and willing to do this special ministry should speak to Fr Regis.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are an adult in our parish boundary, or come regularly to this parish church for Mass, and desire to become a Catholic or want to explore the Catholic faith you are welcome to join the RCIA course which will commence in October. This course is also for Catholics who were baptised young but did not receive their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. For further information and to enrol please contact Fr Regis on [regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk)

### Remembering the parish of Our Lady & St Philip Neri

When the time is right for you to remember a charity in your will, please remember the parish of Our Lady and St Philip Neri. Every gift makes a difference. For more information call the parish secretary or email, [sydenham@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:sydenham@rcaos.org.uk)

### Parishwide Health & Wellbeing Support (PHAWS) project Christian Registered Nurse & Guest Volunteers for Wellbeing Wednesday

PHAWS facilitates Wellbeing Wednesday at Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL) church hall (SE12 0AE) 10:30-12:30 on 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month (returning 7<sup>th</sup> Sept). If you're interested in joining our project focusing on providing Christian faith, health, healing and wellbeing,

to all regardless of belief, contact [phaws4u@gmail.com](mailto:phaws4u@gmail.com) or Ali Ryan RGN 07986117082. A free 1hr online talk about Parish Nurse Services is also available on 30<sup>th</sup> August at 10am, 1pm or 7pm.

### The Westminster Cathedral Interfaith Group

We will meet on Wednesday Sept 21 from 2-3.30 pm in the Hinsley room, Morpeth Terrace and will be discussing Chapter 5 of "Laudato Si' Care for our common home". The encyclical is available free online and from St Paul's bookshop. All are welcome and there is no charge. Contact [johnwoodhousecat@gmail.com](mailto:johnwoodhousecat@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

### "Grief in Loss, Hope in Christ" weekend

This is for those who are in mourning. Emotions out of control, feeling at a loss, this weekend is a time for you. A space for you. Aylesford Priory 7-9th October. For enquiries please telephone Aylesford Priory 01622 717272

### Catholic Union Craigmyle Lecture

Monday 28 November 6.30pm (Doors 6pm). Baroness Sheila Hollins will deliver the lecture on "Keeping Children and Vulnerable Adults Safe – Insights from the Vatican" at the University of Notre Dame (1 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HG). In person and live streamed. Free, all welcome and followed by a Drinks Reception. To register and for livestream link, see Eventbrite or register at [info@catholicunion.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicunion.org.uk) or 020 8749 1321. Please subscribe to the Catholic Union's Weekly Briefing and for further information please visit [www.catholicunion.org.uk](http://www.catholicunion.org.uk)

Last Week

**Offertory:** Gift Aided: £182, Not Gift Aided: £374  
**Mass Count:** Sat (56), Sun 09.30 (119), 11.00 (98)

Second Collection

**Last week: Education Sunday (£329) (GIFT AIDED)**  
**This week: Home Mission (NON GIFT AID)**  
**Next Week: Bishop Pat's Retirement (NON GIFT AID)**

Donate

**Gift Aid:** Tax payers, please sign up, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated. Email Treasurer for details.

**Card:** Card Machine in Church Foyer or [www.olspn.church](http://www.olspn.church)  
**Standing Order:** Email Treasurer for details.

**Cheque:** Payable to 'RCAS Sydenham'

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