

## 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023: ELEVENTH SUNDAY (A)

Mass Book page 91: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 19: 2-6

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 5: 6-11

Gospel: Matthew 9: 36-10: 8

11am Mass  
Hymns

Entrance: 466  
Gloria: 489

Gospel Accl.<sup>n</sup>: 820  
Communion: 866

Offertory: Hymn Sheet  
Post-Communion: 808

Euch.<sup>c</sup> Prayer: 490  
Recessional: 864



### Christ our reconciliation

We are reconciled to God our Father by the death of his Son, and we trust that God will give us new life through Christ's resurrection. We share in his Gospel and proclaim to everyone that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. This is the mission that we share with all the followers of Christ.

He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.

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

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

### Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

Sat 17 18:30	First Mass of Sunday Protection for Pierre & Germaine and family
Sun 18 09.30	✠ <b>ELEVENTH SUNDAY (A) - FATHER'S DAY</b> Wellbeing for Hayden, Novah, Evah, Joshua, Melissa & the Afise family : Happy Fathers Day Newton
11.00	Wellbeing for Susan Feore
Mon 19 09.30	Saint John Rigby Andrew Healy RIP Rosary
Tue 20 09.30	Saint Alban Joseph Hogan RIP Rosary
Wed 21 09.30	Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Wellbeing for Vimalaraji, Sathyabama, Janani, Thusana and Mathuranayaki Rosary
Thu 22 09.30	Saints John Fisher and Thomas More Wellbeing for Susan Murphy Rosary
Fri 23 09.30	Wellbeing for Eva Stepniewska-Wells Exposition
Sat 24 09.30 18:30	<b>THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN &amp; THE BAPTIST</b> People of the Parish First Mass of Sunday Thanksgiving and Wellbeing for Jonathon Leslie
Sun 25 09.30 11.00	✠ <b>TWELVETH SUNDAY (A)</b> Intention of Annika and family Birthday Thanksgiving for Judith Abeydeera

We wish all Father's a Pleasant,  
Peaceful &  
Blessed  
Father's  
Day.

**HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
DAY**

### Prayer Requests

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter, it will run for a month per request. Please send an email to: [regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk).

### Sharing the Word

#### First Reading

God promises to make a covenant with the Israelites. Yahweh chooses the people of Israel. They will be his chosen people only in so far as they keep their side of agreement. Yahweh confers onto them a special mission, to show in their lives the universal saving plan of God.

## Second Reading

Paul talks about God's amazing love for us. The proof of that love lies in the fact that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

## Gospel

Jesus chooses the twelve apostles. The old Israel was founded on twelve tribes and so the new Israel will be founded on twelve apostles. And Jesus felt compassion for the ordinary people. They were dejected because they lacked true leaders. And so he sends his disciples on a mission. This mission mirrors that of Jesus in word and work.

The first task of the apostles was preaching. They were to alert people to the presence of the kingdom of God. Their second task was healing. He gave them power to heal and authority over unclean spirits. For the moment their mission is limited to 'the lost sheep of the house of Israel'. After his resurrection, they will be formally commissioned to undertake a universal mission.

## Confirmation Group

We meet in the presbytery on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.30pm for the rehearsals.

## Sick and Housebound

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend mass because they are in poor health, please let Fr Regis know and he will take Holy Communion to them.

## Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> , 3pm, at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup> /10<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup> /40<sup>th</sup> /50<sup>th</sup> /60<sup>th</sup> + wedding anniversary this year, please let your parish know as soon as possible, and no later than the end of July, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. You can also get in touch with us at [mfse@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mfse@rcaos.org.uk). As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Clapham, Beckenham.

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RC Archdiocese of Southwark

## Forthcoming Events

Please see the posters on the church noticeboard for further details of the following events:

**Coronation Reflections** – On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 7.15 Cardinal Vincent Nichols will speak and host a number

of speakers on the theme Coronation Reflections. Full details of events and online booking on our webpage <https://tinyurl.com/CathedralFriends>. Contact [friends@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:friends@rcdow.org.uk).

## Day of Celebration at Aylesford – 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

A day exploring creative prayer for those with disabilities and special needs: <https://rcaos.org.uk/Celebration23>

## Dignitas Personae et Amor Dei – 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> July 2023

A 3-day conference on the *Dignity of the Human Person* through the writings of Edith Stein, Martyr and Saint: <https://rcaos.org.uk/EdithStein23>

## Day for Life

This weekend is the day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. The proceeds from the Day for Life collection provide core funding for the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and to assist other life related activities supported by the Church, usually by means of grants made to support Catholic charities working in the particular field determined by the theme of the year.

## Keys found in the church.

We still have the bunch of keys which was found in the church two weeks ago. If anybody has lost some keys they should speak to Fr Regis.

Last Week

**Offertory:** Gift Aided: £194, Not Gift Aided: £468

**Mass Count:** Sat (47), Sun 09.30 (94), 11.00 (227)

Second Collection

**Last week: None**

**This week: Day for Life (Non Gift Aid)**

**Next Week: None**

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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