

28th JULY 2024: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY (B)

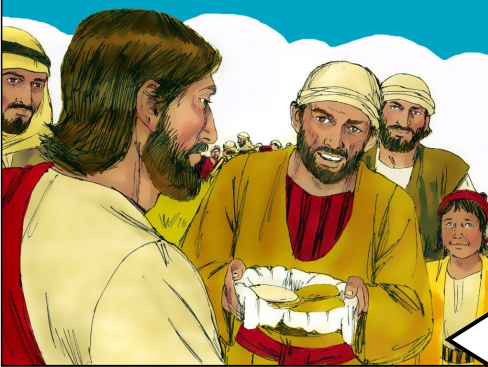
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1st Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-44

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-6

Gospel: John 6: 1-15

11am Hymns	Entrance: 694 Gloria: 998	Gospel Accl. ⁿ : 820 Communion: 631	Offertory: 643 & 813 Post-Communion: 664	Memorial Accl. ⁿ : <i>We proclaim...</i> Recessional: 713
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Christ feeds us

Through the miraculous multiplication of the loaves and fishes, Jesus feeds the hungry people, just as he feeds us daily with his word and the Eucharist. There was plenty left over when everyone had eaten enough. We too have much to give to others because of Christ's generosity to us. He calls us to give generously in our turn, and so to preserve the unity of spirit given to us as children of the same God our Father.

Jesus gave out as much as was wanted to all who were sitting ready.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For the Pastoral Care of the Sick

Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

Sat 27 18:30	First Mass of Sunday 25 th Ordination Anniversary - Rev Fr Victor Akongwale
Sun 28 09:30	✠ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY(B) Thanksgiving & Special Intention for Pierre-Marie N'Doman
11:00	Mercy Afrifa RIP
Mon 29 09:30	Saints Mary, Martha and Lazarus Chrissie Corboy RIP Rosary
Tue 30 09:30	Tom Bell RIP Rosary
Wed 31 09:30	Saint Ignatius of Loyola Wellbeing - Fr Peter Mansfield Rosary
Thu 01 09:30	[JULY] Saint Alphonsus Birthday Blessings - Pauline Assemien Rosary
Fri 02 09:30	Wellbeing - Caroline Bird & thanksgiving to Our Lady Vailankanni Exposition
Sat 03 09:30 18:30	People of the Parish First Mass of Sunday Bridie, Joe, Steven & Trish Murrey RIP
Sun 04 09:30 11:00	✠ EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY (B) Wellbeing - Priscilla Rosemonde & Pierre Marie Thanksgiving & Remembrance - Loyola College, Ibadan, Nigeria, old boys association.

Prayer Requests

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter. Please send an email to: regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk.

Please Pray for the wellbeing of:

Margaret Doherty, Fr Peter Mansfield, Kathleen Edkins, Pat Travers, Patrick Watts, Tony Rawsthorne and Elisabetta de Masi.

Sharing the Word

First Reading

The miracle described here shows God's concern for his people during a time of famine. The bread in question was the bread of the first fruits, which was meant to be offered to God. But instead of offering it to God, Elisha, gave it to the people. The leftovers stress God's generosity.

Second Reading

Paul pleads with the Ephesians to live a life in keeping with the Gospel, placing special emphasis on the need for unity and harmony. He underlines the teaching by heaping up expression after expression of this fundamental Christian oneness: one body (the church), one Spirit, one Lord (Jesus), one faith, one baptism, and one God (the Father).

Gospel

Like Elisha, Jesus feeds the hungry people. Jesus' miracle points to the eucharist. Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to the people. This

reminds us of what he did at the last supper. The people misunderstood the meaning of the miracle. They took Jesus to be the prophet and king who will fulfil all their material hopes and ambitions. But Jesus rejected this and retired from the scene.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion 2025

Application forms for Confirmation and First Holy Communion are now available. You will find the forms in a black folder which is on the table which is at the back of the church.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion 2024

Photographs from these celebrations are now available. Please see Fr Regis, or call in at the parish office when the secretary is available.

Sick & 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 them Holy Communion.

Parish Retreat



We are organising a one day parish retreat to Worth Abbey in Crawley, West Sussex on Friday 20th September 2024. <https://worthabbey.net/visiting/retreats/>, for up to 30 people. The day's programme is:

7-9am	Travel to Worth Abbey
9-9:45am	Arrive - Welcome, Coffee, Introductions & Orientation
9:45-10:15am	Opening Worship
10:15-11:30	Time for personal reflection / walk to Quiet Garden
11:30-12:30	Session 1
12:30-1pm	Personal prayer (Abbey Church) then Midday Prayer at 1pm
1:15-2:30pm	Lunch
2:30-3:30pm	Session 2
3:30-4:15pm	Tea
4:30-5:00pm	Closing Prayer then time for personal reflection
5:30pm	Mass in the Abbey Church
6:15pm	Travel

To register your interest please let Fr Regis know or alternatively, email the secretary on:

sydenham@rcaos.org.uk

Please do register your interest as soon as possible as there are only 24 places left.

Parish Artist

We are seeking an artist, or someone who knows about creating digital images to help us create the digital files for some new banners we would like to create.

If you would like to participate in this project please let Fr Regis know or alternatively, email the secretary on:

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The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London

We are holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 26 August 2024 from 10 am to 4:30 pm.

The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome.

Call Millie on 07957594646 for more information.
Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria

Last Week

Offertory: Gift Aided: £133 Not Gift Aided: £369

Mass Count: Sat (40), Sun 09.30 (95), 11.00 (91)

Second Collection

Last week: None

This week: None

Next Week: None

Donate

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, using the white envelopes at the back of the church, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated.

Card: Card Machine in Church Foyer or www.olspn.church

Standing Order: Email Treasurer for details.

Cheque: Payable to 'RCAS Sydenham'

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