

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm

Sunday 8.30am

10am

(Spanish) 11.15am

12.15pm

7pm

Mon - Sat 10am

6.30pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm (Lunch 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri 6.15 – 6.30pm Saturday 10.45 – 11.15am

6.00 - 6.30pm

<u>Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</u> Mon-Fri 10.30am – 11.15am

Rosary – Wednesdays 10.30am, followed by Tea/Coffee in the Founders Room.

<u>Legion of Mary</u> – Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

<u>Charismatic Prayer Group</u>: Is on Thursdays at 11am in the Founders' Room.

Saints Days

Tue 9th - St Augustine Zhao Rong Thu 11th - St Benedict Sat 13th - St Henry

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Sunday Reflection - When setting out on a journey, we are all tempted to carry too much. We have coined the phrase, "excess baggage"! Airlines are now forcing us to carry "hand luggage" only! In today's Gospel story Jesus sends out "seventy-two others ahead of him". Look how contrasting his advice is to them - 'carry nothing' with you; and do not let anything distract you from the task at hand. All they need to carry is 'peace in their hearts'. He tells them simply to rely on the support of each other and to be bearers of peace. He urges them to leave behind their property and secure belongings. Jesus underlines the urgency of proclaiming the kingdom and its values - nothing should distract from that essential purpose. He exhorts them to carry the word and the blessings of the kingdom and to rely on God to provide what is needed to fulfill their mission. Jesus acknowledges that he too needs the help of others in his mission. They all have a contribution to make because "the harvest is great and the labourer's are few". He took them as they were and equipped them with the essentials for the task. The landscape ahead is harsh and hostile, but he tells them to trust in the Word of God and one another. All of us at our Baptism were called and sent to share in Jesus' mission. We don't have to be superhuman or extraordinary people. The harvest is all around us, in our hospitals, schools, banks and institutions, in our homes and neighbourhoods. That is where we are to be co-workers with Jesus. Let us heed the words of Pope Francis: "Do not be a 'part-time' Christian, at certain moments, in certain circumstances, in certain choices. Be a Christian at all times!"

Baptismal Preparation Course – Is on Tuesday 9th and Tues 16th July. Do get a registration form from the Parish office or email: <u>fulhamroad@rcdow.org.uk</u> This course has to be completed before Baptism. **Parish Council** – Our next Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 18th July in the Founders Room at 7.30pm. Members are asked to note the date and let us know if they cannot attend.

The Archbishop of Southwark – This is a time of change for us. We give thanks for the great Pastoral Ministry of Bishop John Wilson in this Area of Westminster Archdiocese and for his service to Education in the Diocese. We wish him well as Archbishop-elect of Southwark and assure him of our prayers as he takes up his new ministry. May the Lord bless and guide him. There is a special Mass in Westminster Cathedral on Thursday 11th July at 5.30pm giving thanks for his ministry with us and Imploring God's Blessing for his future ministry at Southwark

Receiving Holy Communion – We remind ourselves to always receive reverently. In this Diocese we have two options – we can either receive 'on the tongue' or 'in the hand'. Please consume the host <u>before leaving</u> the Minister and the Altar. If your hands are full or occupied, it is wiser to receive on the tongue. Please <u>put out</u> your tongue so that the Sacred Host can be safely and securely placed on it as you take the host into your mouth. Let us always be reverent in approaching and receiving the Body and Blood of the Lord.