



## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

**20<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

### **Parish Office Opening Hrs**

Mon – Thur 9am to 5pm

(Lunch Hour 1.30pm – 2.30pm)

### **Mass Times**

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm

Sunday 8.30 am

10 am

(Spanish) 11.15 am

12.15 pm

7 pm

Mon – Sat 10am: Mon/Wed/Fri

6.30pm – Tues/Thur

### **Sacrament of Confession**

Mon - Thurs 6.15 – 6.30 pm

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am

6.00 – 6.30 pm

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Mon – Thur 10.30 am – 11.15 am

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

**Legion of Mary** – Every Monday at  
7pm in the Library. New members  
are welcome!

**Charismatic Prayer Group** –  
Thursday 11am in the Founders'  
Room. (Please Note this Group will  
Not be meeting during the Month  
of August)

### **Saints Days**

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> – St Pius X

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> – The Queenship of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> – St Philip Benizi &  
St Rose of Lima

Thur 24<sup>th</sup> – St Bartholomew

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> – St Louis &

St Joseph Calasanz

### **Recently Married:**

Joseph Tillekeratne &

Prindha Naidoo

### **Lately Dead:**

Michael Isenschmid

Ernest Joseph Lynch

**Sunday Reflection:** Our Reading from Isaiah and the Gospel highlight the theme of inclusiveness. During the time Isaiah was prophesying there were many foreigners in Israel. Naturally the question arose as to whether or not the benefits of salvation should be extended to them. Isaiah did not mince his words. He gave a clear and positive answer: “My house will be called a house of prayer for ALL the people”. The early Church had to face a similar problem regarding the Gentiles. Again, they refer back to an incident presented in today’s extract from Matthew’s Gospel, namely, the encounter between Jesus and the Canaanite woman with a sick daughter. In the dialogue all the divisive jargon is rolled out with even Jesus participating in the social name-calling. The woman’s persistent faith penetrates the attentive heart of Jesus bringing about a powerful healing of her daughter. Jesus breaks through the barriers separating Jew and Gentile and ministers to the obvious needs of this Canaanite woman, who had ‘great faith’. After the Resurrection of Jesus, led by Paul’s witness, the early Church extended its mission to the Gentiles world. In our time and in our divided world, we would do well to heed this call to inclusiveness: “My house shall be a house of prayer for all the peoples”.

**Summer Changes** – During the Month of August of this year 2017, we will only have One Mass each week day (Monday – Friday). On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays Mass will be celebrated at 10am each morning and on Tuesdays and Thursdays Mass will be celebrated at 6.30pm each day. We hope and pray this will facilitate our weekly Mass goers. Please let us know if this is convenient for you. We also have other Mass commitments to fulfill. We trust you understand. On Saturdays Masses will be at 10am and 6.30pm. Sundays Masses will be as usual. Thank you for your co-operation.

**St Philip Benizi OSM** – Philip was born in Florence in early 13<sup>th</sup> century. He became a Servite Friar. In 1267 he was elected Prior General. A remarkable Friar, he attracted many to join the Order because of his holiness of life, his following of Gospel values and his service of Mary. He gave strong leadership to the Order and Church of his day. He was canonized in 1671. There will be the traditional blessing of bread and water at the 10am Mass on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>. *Happy Feast day to our Fr. Philip OSM.*

**August St. Peregrine Mass** – With the changes in the daily Mass schedule for August, some people are worried about the St. Peregrine Mass in August. Please do not worry. There will be a 6.30pm Mass on the last Wednesday of August, so be at peace – St. Peregrine Mass for August is on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm.

**Mary’s Meals Day** – The London Day is Sunday Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, London Irish Centre, Camden Square, London. Doors open 1.30pm for 2pm start. Email [RSVP.UK@marysmeals.org](mailto:RSVP.UK@marysmeals.org) or 0207 2215745.

**Receiving Communion** – We go to the Altar to receive Communion reverently. We have two options for Reception: we can receive either “on the tongue” or “in the hand”. If we choose to receive “on the tongue”, please put out the tongue so that the sacred host can be safely and securely placed on it as you take the host into your mouth. If you choose to receive in the hand, then place one hand on top of the other so that the sacred host can be placed in your open hand. After partaking of Christ’s body, go to receive the chalice of his blood... bow your head and say “Amen” to show your homage and reverence, and sanctify yourself by partaking also of Christ’s blood. Please consume the sacred host when you receive it from the minister. The host must be reverently consumed before leaving the Altar. Intinction is not allowed now. We hope all who come to Communion in our church can implement these instructions.

**Votive Candles** – We thank all who generously make offerings when lighting votive candles for their intentions. It has been noticed however, that on occasion people are bringing their own candles. We would with respect ask everyone to use the candles provided due to health and safety reasons, and not put other types of candles on the stands as they will be removed.