

St Peter and the Guardian Angels

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21ST SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY TIME - 21ST AUGUST 2022

March for Life – Saturday 3rd September 2022

This year marks the sad milestone of 10 million abortions in the UK since the 1967 Abortion Act. It is more important than ever that all people of goodwill, and especially Catholics, give public witness to the infinite dignity of human life. We can do so at the annual March for Life held on **Saturday, 3rd September**.

Bishop Sherrington will celebrate Mass at 11.00 am at St. George's Cathedral. The March itself starts at the Emmanuel Centre at 2.00 pm, proceeding to Parliament Square, where there will be testimony and speeches, with the day concluding at 4.30 pm. More information can be found at <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/>

St Bernadette Relic Tour: In September and October this year, **the relics of St Bernadette** will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. The visit will provide people across our community of faith with a valuable opportunity for prayer and healing. Individuals and groups are warmly invited to register their attendance at their chosen church or cathedral. The relics are due to visit **St George's Cathedral** from the morning of **Wednesday 19 October** until the morning of **Friday 21 October**; they will also visit **Aylesford** from **Monday 24 October** until **Friday 28 October**. Please consult the website of each venue for further details. Stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/ for choosing a location. For general enquiries email: contact@stbernadetter.org.uk

From the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children: "A recent BBC poll found that 15% of British women had experienced pressure or coercion to have an abortion that they did not want. This abuse must be stopped. Please sign SPUC's petition calling on the Health Secretary to urgently commission research into the area of abortion coercion, and in so doing recognise coerced abortion as a priority for health and social policy moving forward, by going to <https://www.spuc.org.uk/coercion>".

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Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies:

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally recognised qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a manner that is captivating, inspiring, and applicable. The CCRS is designed and intended to support the archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make an informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of ministry within the Church. Please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information. Modules begin 13 September.

Life's journey:

For each of us life is a journey.

Birth is the beginning of this journey,

and death is not the end but the destination.

It is a journey that takes us from youth to age, from

innocence to awareness,

from foolishness to wisdom,

from weakness to strength and often back again,

from loneliness to friendship,

from pain to compassion,

from fear to faith,

from defeat to victory and from victory to defeat,

until, looking backward or ahead,

we see that victory does not lie at some high point

along the way,

but in having made the journey, stage by stage.

(Adapted from an old Hebrew prayer).

Mass Times and News

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| SUNDAY: 21ST AUGUST – 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9am: Mass - For the people 11pm: Mass – David Marks Senior RIP | THURSDAY: 25th August 9.15am Mass - FM |
| MONDAY: 22nd August – Queenship of Mary 9:15am No Mass | FRIDAY: 26th August 9.15am Mass |
| TUESDAY: 23rd August – St Rosa of Lima 7:30pm: Mass | SATURDAY: 27th August – St Monica 6pm Mass |
| WEDNESDAY: 24th August – St Bartholomew, Apostle 9:15am: Mass – Holy souls | SUNDAY: 28TH AUGUST – 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9: 00am: Mass 11:00am: Mass – For the people |

The new Gift Aid Boxes for 2022/23 are available for collection at the back of the church. If you are not a box holder, and are a taxpayer, please do consider signing up for the Gift Aid Scheme. The relevant forms are at the back of the church or on the parish website. <https://stpeterandtheguardianangels.com>.

Please contact Diane Rampling on dmrampling@aol.com or 07808 006228, if you would like to discuss further.

Works done in the Church: New carpet for altar area (cost - £6,000); Gutters cleaning & repairs (£1,680). Work on blocked drainage is still to be carried out.

Pope's prayer Intentions for August:

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS;

Standing order, July - £402; 10th July; 1st Collection - **£656.52;** 2nd Collection (Sea Sunday) **£133.45.** 17th July - collection - **£636.42.** 24th July – collection - **£718.73.** 31st July – collection - **£653.22.** 7th August – collection; **£538.11.** 14th August – collection - **£629.32**
THANK YOU!

2-5 December 2022 Christmas Trip to Lille & Bruges; Lille (France) & Bruges (Bruges (Belgium) offers some of most comprehensive amenities and in addition to the well-known and much-loved Christmas Markets they cater for all tastes and interests. For enquiry, please contact Wilma Nelson for further details: wilmanel@hotmail.co.uk Tel. 07753636425. (See poster at the back of Church).

Prayer for the sick & housebound; we remember those who have asked for our prayers;

"Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest your weary ones.

Bless your dying ones.

Soothe your suffering ones.

Pity your afflicted ones.

Shield your joyous ones.

And for all your love's sake. Amen."

(St Augustine)

Your prayers are also requested for: Liam and Maggie, Howard Moss, Ruby Louisa Longman, Jeany McDonagh, Anna, Monika, Lusia & Slawek; Esther, Oliver, Stephen, Pepe, Goren, Sharon, Philip, James, Mary, Rosemarie, Paul, Mark, Noel, Dany, Daniel, Saher Sinclair, Marek, Charlie, Fergie, Kohen, Christine Sanders.

Do you know any elderly, Housebound or Sick Parishioners that would benefit from a home visit from Fr TesfaMichael, if so, please call 020 237 2969 or can speak directly to Fr after each Mass.

If you wish to speak to Fr TesfaMichael about routine matters (such as form signing or arranging baptisms) or private chat about any other matter, please email to Fr tesfanegusse@rcaos.org.uk or call the number above.

Holy Souls: Please pray for those who have died recently; **David Marks Senior, Robert Easto Bob Ambrose,** Pierre Porrelle, Yvette Perrelle & Maryanna Sharrock, and also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. **May they rest in peace. Amen.**

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