Refreshments are available after 9am Sunday Mass in the St Bernard's hall. Thank you to the volunteers who facilitate this.





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Waterside Parish NEWSLETTER

Sunday 3rd September 2023: Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Sunday Mass: 9am at St Bernard's and 11am at St Michael's

Weekday Mass: Friday - 9am at St Michael's (this will be Father Innaiah's first Waterside Mass)

Grandparents Group will still meet at St Bernard's from 9.30am on Wednesday Saturday 9th September Cooking with Fe from 10.30am at St Bernards (£5 pp)

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent parish social event, the Cream Tea and Beetle Drive on 22nd August. Although this was arranged as a social event for our parish community, the generosity of attendees resulted in £270 being paid into the parish bank account!

Thank you to our wonderful parishioners who arranged and coordinated this event; your time and resourcefulness make a real difference to the parish.

Another thank-you to all those who arranged and contributed to Father Paul's thank you afternoon tea last Sunday.

Diocesan Day for Catechists Winchester parish hall, from 10 am to 4 pm, Saturday 30th September run by the Dominican Sisters

The day is intended to explore: The vocation of the catechist; The integration of catechesis within the parish and the home; The formation of catechists and The preparation of a catechetical session. There will be times for discussion, but also to network, not just among catechists engaged in the same ministries across the diocese, but also among catechists of the same pastoral areas/proximate geographical location.

Here is the registration link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/diocesan-day-for-catechists-registration-598927286637 - a packed lunch is needed.

Cooking with Fe

Fe is no longer available on Tuesdays, so this demonstration will now be run on the **second Saturday of each month**, from 10.30am in the St Bernard's hall.

The first session will take place on **Saturday 9**th **September**, from **10.30am**, and the recipe is choux pastry (profiteroles and churros). The cost is **£5 per person**, including ingredients and eating and all proceeds go to the church.

Everyone is welcome; feel free to bring friends and family along.

Thank you to Andrea for the photographs which she kindly took last Sunday at our afternoon tea, some of which are included here:





We keep in our prayers the sick and housebound members of the parish:

John Allen, Pauline Moore, Kathleen Ketley, Mike Slipper and Paola McCarthy

Please note that a GDPR issue has been drawn to our attention. We must now have express permission from the sick person to name him or her in this section of the parish newsletter. If we don't have a signed Parish Registration Form, it will be very difficult to include the sick in this section of the newsletter.

We pray for the dear departed of the parish and for those whose anniversaries occur this summer:

3rd: Johanna Bowd (1994)

4th: Aubrey O'Reilly (1995)

5th: Leslie Jones (1984)

6th: Jean O'Driscoll (1981)

7th: John Quinn (1977) Augustine Jones (2009)

8th: Paul Hollingberry (1980) Hilda Hand (1980)

Pious tradition holds that Jesus promised St. Gertrude that a thousand souls would be released from purgatory each time the following prayer is said devoutly: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

Collection 27th August 2023:

St Michael's £73.50 St Bernard's £47.00 Envelopes £125.10

Direct payments to the parish bank account in July amounted to £1,192

100 Club

Today, 3rd September, the 100 Club draw will take place after 9am Mass at St Bernard's.

Thank you to everyone who supports the 100 club regularly. It really makes a difference to the running costs of the parish and supporting new initiatives

A family resource for faith-based activities and learning has come to my attention - Home - CathFamily - which may be of interest to our families.

An Apology! Last week I erroneously referred to our new parish secretaries as Angela and Angela. Andrea (Kehoe) has forgiven me and I hasten to correct this error in my last publication – you will now have Angela and Andrea taking care of the parish administration 🥞



The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is hosting a Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, Co Mayo from November 9 to 14 to Pray for the Holy Souls. If you would like details, please contact the parish office so that the email advertisement can be shared.

My last recommendation for parishioners! A website: Home - Renewal Ministries

In these challenging times, it is so important that we are well versed in the fundamental tenets of our faith. This not only equips us to make the right choices in today's society, but also to evangelise and share the wonders of our faith with others. This is an obligation for all baptised Catholics and Renewal Ministries is another great resource, alongside those provided by Ascension Press (for example, the Bible and the Catechism in a Year), to aid our nourishment of the faith with which we have been blessed.

No readings again this week – the website from which I copy them is under maintenance and I lack the time to copy-type the full texts. Your responses are all that I can offer:

Responsorial Psalm: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.