

# **ST GEORGE, BICKLEY**

## **NEWSLETTER 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025**

### **20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **observed as the External Solemnity of the ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**ROCHESTER SOCIETY PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Mass at 11am, preacher Fr Ben Eadon, Priest-Administrator of Walsingham. Children's workshop by Walsingham education department. Last year people had a very good time. Bring a picnic and something to sit on (and maybe a rosary). Please speak to Fr Henry if you are interested, so we can arrange transport.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH IS ON HOLIDAY.** There are activity packs in church for children, very kindly prepared by Liz. Please ask a sidesperson for a pack and a children's missal. Children's Church will resume on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

**GUIDED TOUR OF LITTLE VENICE** with a visit to St Mary Magdalene's, Paddington. 10<sup>th</sup> September. Tickets £20 from Beverley. Further details on flyer.

**SPONSOR A LAMP!** We have 7-day lamps that burn continually in front of the Blessed Sacrament, the shrine of Our Lady, and the shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You can dedicate a lamp for £5, in memory of the departed, or for someone sick or in need, or for some cause or specific purpose; put the name on the list at the back of church and give the money to Fr Henry or a warden.

**DIPPING YOUR HOST IN THE CHALICE**, which has the technical name "intinction" is not encouraged by Church authorities, and was strictly forbidden during the COVID pandemic. The reason is clear: if you dip your fingers into the consecrated wine that is far more unhygienic, and is far more likely to spread infection, than simply drinking from a shared chalice. It is reported that this is now happening at St George's. Please **DO NOT DO THIS**. If you feel you must use intinction, please steady the chalice with your other hand and, holding the host in your fingertips, just bring it into contact with the surface of the consecrated wine. Remember that we receive the fullness of Jesus's life in the host alone!

## **SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>      9.30 Mass  
*Judges 6; 11-24. Matthew 19; 23-30.*

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>      9.30 Mass (St Bernard)  
*Judges 9; 6-15. Matthew 20; 1-16.*  
11.00 Mass at KYN.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>      9.30 Mass  
*Judges 11; 29-39. Matthew 22; 1-14.*

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>      9.30 Mass (Parish Requiem)  
*Ruth 1; 1, 3-6, 14-16 22. Matthew 22; 34-40.*  
6.30pm Confessions

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>      9.30 Mass & Rosary (St Rose of Lima)  
*Ruth 2; 1-3, 8-11, 4; 13-17. Matthew 23; 1-12.*

## **NEXT SUNDAY: 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Trinity 10**

**8.00 Mass (traditional rite)**

**10.30 Sung Mass**

## **FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

**THOSE IN NEED:** HM The King, Janet Aves, Keith Bowley, Sylvia Braybrooke, Sue Byers, Julie Couldridge, Beatrice Dadson, Sandra Donohue, Roger Edwards, Stuart Esk, Matthew Fairweather, Ahmed & Asma Farid, Jan Good, Norman Good, Elaine Greasley, Alison Hadfield, Caroline Houston, Mary Huggins, Kim James, Maxine Johnson, Catherine Jones, Ralph Jones, Marie Kerrigan, James Lofthouse, Rita McGrath, Margaret McKensie, Joseph Milad, Nelly Oakeshott, Lee Ramsey, Lyn Ramsey, Scott Ramsey, John Rook, Shannon Sheridan, Joan Turpin, Norman Vaughton, Elaine Warner & family, Laila Williams, Naomi.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Philip Barry, Ken Negus.

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