

ST GEORGE, BICKLEY

NEWSLETTER 10th AUGUST 2025

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 8th after Trinity

RICHBOROUGH FAMILY FESTIVAL this Saturday in Portsmouth. Bishop Norman used to hold a summer Richborough festival in St Albans, where he lived. Our new Father in God, Bishop Luke, lives in Portsmouth, and so is holding his annual celebration there. There is a Solemn Mass in the Cathedral at 12 noon, followed by a picnic (bring your own) on the beach, and Benediction at Holy Spirit, Southsea, at 4pm. All welcome. Trains from Waterloo or Victoria to Portsmouth & Southsea.

ROCHESTER SOCIETY PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD Saturday 30th 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 7th September.

GUIDED VISIT TO LITTLE VENICE with a visit to St Mary Magdalene's, Paddington. 10th 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.

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION, the most important festival of the Blessed Virgin Mary, falls on Friday 15th. We shall keep it then with the normal Mass, but, as is our custom, we shall also observe it on the following Sunday (as what is called an External Solemnity).

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 12th 9.30 Mass (St Jane Frances de Chantal)
Deuteronomy 31; 1-8. Matthew 18; 1-5, 10, 12-14.

Wednesday 13th 9.30 Mass
Deuteronomy 34; 1-12. Matthew 18; 15-20.

Thursday 14th 9.30 Mass (St Maximilian Kolbe)
Joshua 3; 7-11, 13-17. Matthew 18; 21-19; 1.

Friday 15th 9.30 Mass (ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)
Revelation 11; 19, 12; 1-6, 10. 1 Corinthians 15; 20-27. Luke 1; 39-56.
6.30pm Confessions

Saturday 16th 9.30 Mass & Rosary (of Our Lady)
Joshua 24; 14-29. Matthew 19; 13-15.

NEXT SUNDAY: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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: Ted Bennett, Philip Barry, Ken Negus.

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Please note: there is no answering machine on the Vicarage landline.