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LAST WEEK
CASH COLLECTION
GIFT AID- £43.00
LOOSE - £316.80
TERMINAL COLLECTION
£602.00
STANDING ORDERS FOR JUNE
£5297.64
ATTENDANCE
290



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

CATHOLIC CHURCH • GREENWICH

JULY – DEDICATED TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

✠ **HOLY MASS FOR THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
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SATURDAY 18th July

6.00pm Vigil Mass

William, John and Mary Farren RIP

SUNDAY 19th July

16th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

9.00am Sung Mass

Beatrice Parker RIP

11.00am Sung mass

People of the Parish

MONDAY 20th July

SAINT APOLLINARIS

10.00am Funeral Mass of Bridget Holmes

TUESDAY 21th July

SAINT LAURENCE BRINIDISI

6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00pm Holy Mass

Vocations to the Priesthood

WEDNESDAY 22nd July

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

Johnson Mendez RIP

THURSDAY 23rd July

SAINT BRIDGET

9:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00am Holy Mass

Micah Tsang (1st Birthday)

FRIDAY 24th July

SAINT CHARBEL

(FRIDAY ABSTINENCE)

10:00am Holy Mass at the Elizabeth College Almshouse

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

Bridie Holmes RIP

SATURDAY 25th July

SAINT JAMES

9:00am Low Mass

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Hugh Benson

SUNDAY 26th July

17th SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME

9.00am Sung Mass

Sean Forde RIP

11.00am Sung Mass

Fr John Lavery RIP

Confessions

Saturdays at 10.00am – 10.30am and 5pm - 5.30pm. After
weekday Mass – please sit by the confessional.

Adoration

One hour before every weekday mass.

Spiritual Thought

This Monday is my 13th anniversary of ordination. During the similarly hot summer of 2013, me and four other candidates prostrated ourselves during the litany of saints, received the sacred vestments, the sacred vessels for Mass – and with the laying on of hands and the anointing with holy chrism, became priests. Nothing can really prepare someone to become a priest. While we train for seven years, everything is theory until it is really put into practice at Mass, in confession with a penitent, giving spiritual direction, or making choices for a parish community. I am pleased to say that I am very happy as a priest, and have always been. Obviously not everyday is easy, some are very hard, but knowing that each encounter, each blessing, each service has a deep and eternal meaning gives a great joy.

An anniversary is a wonderful time to take stock – to thank God for the graces he has given, I have a very visual memory so I can vividly remember particular moments of grace, particular parishioners and priests who have shown me a particular aspect of the kindness of God. Also anniversaries are an opportunity to repent of failures, which I commend to God's mercy.

But also anniversaries are moments to supplicate God for the future. To ask him to remain with me, to continue to bless my attempts to serve him and to help me to remain in his service. And perhaps in these prayers I can ask you to join me.

Church Renovation News – Prayers Needed

Disappointing news this week.

The application we made to Historic England has been rejected, because one of the criteria of the fund is the building be in a geographical area of deprivation, which does not describe this area. We can try again, perhaps when fewer applications are being made. Last week we have made an application to the National Lottery Fund for our windows. These applications are more of a dialogue, and we have yet to hear back.

Please can I ask you to earnestly pray to Our Lady for the success of this bid.

WEBELIEVE | Festival of Catholic Life

Friday 24–Monday 27 July 2026 | St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham

WeBelieve Festival brings the Church together in England and Wales. It is an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to experience the joy of community, and to encounter personally the Lord Jesus, our salvation. Join us from 24–27 July 2026 at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary's College, Oscott, for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful.

Book your tickets at webeliefefestival.com

Funeral Information

Bridie Holmes funeral Mass will be offered in the church on Monday 20th July at 10am. Please note the changed day from last week's note.

The funeral of Mr. King Lin Yick will be offered in the church on 27th July at 11:30am.

Charlton Parish News

The Spiritan Order will be pulling out of Our Lady of Grace, Charlton. From September the new parish priest, Fr Sebastian Joseph, will live with Fr Tom in our presbytery, until he can find accommodation of his own. He is most welcome.

Venezuela Appeal

To help with the relief efforts after the terrible earthquakes in Venezuela we are invited to donate to Caritas International
donate.caritas.org/en/venezuela/

OLSS Engaged and Newly Married Parishioners

We have so many lovely engaged and newly married couples in our parish. All engaged and newly married (under 5 years) are invited to a Barbeque in the Presbytery garden on Sunday 19th July after the 11am Mass. Ask Fr Tom for more information.

St Catherine's Catholic Girls School, Bexleyheath

You are invited to share the following vacancies with your family and friends:

SEMH Learning Support Assistant and DT Technician.

Examination Invigilators wanted for internal and external examinations, supporting and guiding students calmly during the school's examinations. Please visit: www.stccg.co.uk/Support-Staff-Vacancies/ for more info and link to apply.

Ancient Byzantine Iconography course, 12 - 18 October 2026- Stoneyhurst

A seven-day course writing an icon in the ancient Byzantine style, using the liquid egg tempera technique. The course leads the student through each step of writing an icon of their own, providing theological explanations and practical demonstrations. Our October course is for those with some experience: please register your interest for an opportunity to book onto the next novice course. christianheritagecentre.com/events/ancient-byzantine-iconography-course/

Greenwich Young Catholic Adults

This Tuesday the GYCA will meet. Adoration, with opportunities for confession beginning at 6pm, followed by Holy Mass at 7pm. Then we welcome guest speakers who will tell us a little about Catholic life, joys and difficulties in Pakistan. All Catholics aged 18-35 are most welcome, for as much or as little as your time allows. This is our last formal meeting before September.