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**LAST WEEK
CA.SH COLLECTION**
GIFT AID- £98.00
LOOSE - £565.53

TERMINAL COLLECTION
£420.50

STANDING ORDERS FOR JULY
£3637.00

ATTENDANCE
342



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

CATHOLIC CHURCH • GREENWICH

AUGUST – DEDICATED TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

✠ **HOLY MASS FOR THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
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SATURDAY 8th August

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Dorothy Jayes Ward RIP

SUNDAY 9th August

19th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

9.00am Sung Mass

Katherine Bingley RIP

11.00am Sung mass

People of the Parish

MONDAY 10th August

SAINT LAWRENCE

No Mass in the Church Today

TUESDAY 11th August

SAINT CLARE of ASSISSI

6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00pm Holy Mass

Chris and Christine Lynch Intentions

WEDNESDAY 12th August

SAINT JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

David and Elizabeth Walls

THURSDAY 13th August

SAINTS PONTIAN and HIPPOLYTUS

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

Agony of Jesus on the Mt. of Olives

FRIDAY 14th August

SAINT MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

(FRIDAY ABSTINENCE)

10:00am Holy Mass at the Elizabeth College Almshouse

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

Elizabeth Walls RIP (1st Anni.)

SATURDAY 15th August

OUR LADY'S SATURDAY

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Peggy Stanway

SUNDAY 16th August

ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9.00am Sung Mass

Silvano Fiorin RIP (1st Anni.)

11.00am Sung Mass

Margaret-Mary Ann Cooper 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

We've spoken for the last few weeks about the sacraments of baptism and marriage. These are just two of the seven sacraments instated by Christ (can you remember the others?)

A sacrament is "an outward sign, of inward grace, instituted by Christ". This simple definition is very beautiful, memorable, and deep. The sacraments are for human beings – we are a composite of body and soul, and so when God wants to sanctify us he does so using both bodily signs and inward spiritual graces.

So every sacrament has an "outward sign" – some are more obvious than others - the pouring of water, the oozing of oil, the laying on of hands. And an "inward grace" which touches to soul – these inward graces are described as the effect of the sacrament, what it actually does – the washing of original sin, the union of the soul with Christ, the formation of Christ in the soul, the strengthening in illness et cetera depending on the sacrament received.

Each of the sacraments was "instituted by Christ" – he made them, or 'reissued' them, baptism was familiar amongst the Jews, but Jesus made it more. Marriage too has been in existence since the creation of the world, but Jesus elevated it – made wine out of water. The other sacraments are entirely unique to Christianity – coming as they do from the teaching and practice of Jesus, handed on by his disciples.

It is wonderful to think of the wisdom of God – we see his wisdom and design in the creation of the world, and in its recreation. It is beautiful to think how the soul is recreated in the image of its maker, sanctified and brought close to him. This sanctification is not just through words spoke, nor just bodily actions, nor merely inner movements – but all, the whole human being, in all our humanity, is drawn into this sanctification, all our senses as well as the soul.

How wonderful to be worked on in this way by God. How wise and kind of Him to create these seven streams of grace for the perfection of his creation.

SVP Conference Update & Bake Sale

With your prayers and support, our St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Conference continues to grow and now has a membership in double digits. We are actively supporting several people and families in our local community, offering practical help where it is needed most.

To help us with this work, we will be holding a Bake Sale after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses

on Sunday, (16 August or 6th of September). We will also be selling National SVP Raffle tickets. If you would like to donate some home baking, help on the day, or find out more about joining the SVP, please contact us at svpgreenwich@gmail.com or speak to Father Tom, who can refer you to us. Thank you for your continued prayers, generosity, and encouragement.

Tea after Wednesday Mass

We are starting a little coffee morning (midday really) after the 12:30 Mass on Wednesdays.

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/

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London

is holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 31 August 2025 from 10:30 am to 4pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus.

All welcome. Call Millie on WhatsApp 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Slough, Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

Books offered for Donations

By St. Joseph's altar we have some books which are looking for new homes. Please take them, but kindly leave a little donation (perhaps £5 per book). They are not used here, but can be used and loved in your own homes perhaps.

Congratulations

We welcome into God's church Dhalia who was baptised on Saturday. May God bless her and her family.