

17th - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

24th July - 7th August 2022

Thought for the Week

There is much in the news these days about workers' rights, their needs and pay increases. It is important to recognise the sanctity of work. Saint Ignatius of Loyola in his spiritual exercises, asks us to imagine ourselves 'labouring' with God and God 'labouring' on our behalf.

We work with God to build a better world. God sees the fruit of our labour, even if others cannot. Think of Joseph, the carpenter who taught Jesus his craft, a man given no lines to say in the New Testament and his life remains almost completely hidden – yet through his silent work he was able to help fashion the instrument most needed for the salvation of the world.

Joseph's work was of supreme importance – even though others may not have seen this at the time. How similar this is to the many millions of people who do hidden work today; spending long hours working to put the children through school, taking on an extra job to save money to care for an elderly parent or relative, or just to survive and put food on the table. Even if their efforts are hidden from others, they are seen by the one whose gaze matters most.

Let us then ask the prayers of Saint Joseph for all those who work hard and are at this time in need of a holiday or break.

I hope that you will have a good and blessed summer, if you are travelling away do so with safety. If you are staying in Windsor enjoy a little quiet in peace.

Canon David Hopgood

Adoration

There will be **NO** Adoration during the month of **August**.

Confessions

The sacrament of reconciliation will be available :-
Saturdays from 11:00 – 11:30 at St Edward's.

The Love Languages Evening for Couples

Come and find out how you feel loved and discover how to make your partner feel loved. This evening is based on the Love Languages by Dr Gary Chapman. It will be held on Tuesday, 6th September, 2022 from 7:00pm until 9:00pm in the Parish Centre. Admission is free.

Please email Kathy at kathyarundale@hotmail.com to register.

Mass Times + Intentions 23 – 31 July

Sat 23	18:00	Mabel Santos - RIP
Sun 24	09:30	People of the Parish - St Mark's
	11:00	Peter Drewitt – RIP
Mon 25	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Tue 26	18:30	Pat Brooke - INT
Wed 27	10:00	Dolores Murray - RIP
Thur 28	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Fri 29	12:00	Giuseppe Battocchi - RIP
Sat 30	18:00	Kathleen Bennett - FM
Sun 31	09:30	People of the Parish – St Mark's
	11:00	Stanley Hughes – RIP

Mass Times + Intentions 1 – 7 August

Mon 01	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Tues 02	18:30	John Joe Cooney – RIP
Wed 03	10:00	Kathleen Williams – RIP
Thur 04	10:00	Holy Souls
Fri 05	12:00	Margaret + Michael Lee - FM
Sat 06	18:00	Ted Cummings – RIP
Sun 07	09:30	Lawrence Dyke – RIP
	11:00	John DeCoutho – RIP

Parish Diary 24 - 31 July

Sun 24	12:00	Parish Teas + Coffee
Tue 26	18:00	Evening Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
	19:30	Marriage Prep – P/C
Wed 27	09:30	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
Thur 28	09:30	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
	13:00	Mass Readings Explained – P/C
Fri 29	19:30	Walking with Scripture – P/C
Sat 30	14:30	Wedding - Dillon Perera + Lucy Bartlett
Sun 31	12:15	Baptisms Ethan +Tilly Aryee and Ada Russell-Murphy
	12:00	NO - Parish Teas + Coffee – P/C

Parish Diary 2 – 7 August

Tue 02	18:00	Evening Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
	19:30	Marriage Prep – P/C
Wed 03	09:30	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
Thur 04	09:30	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel – St Edwards
	13:00	Mass Readings Explained – P/C
Sat 06	14:30	S.V.P. - Jubilee Tea – P/C
Sun 07	12:00	Parish Teas + Coffee
	12:15	Baptism - Fia Cotton + Mateusz Berest

Offertory (17.7.22)

SO/DD - £2,058.00 - Envelopes - £ 207.45 Loose - £689.54

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SVP Afternoon Tea - 6th August – 14:30 – 16:30

Final few days - Please give us details of anyone who may enjoy an afternoon tea, meeting in the company of others who are lonely, home alone or needy. We may need additional volunteers to help serve in the hall or set up late morning together with drivers from say 14.00 to pick up and again from 16.30 to take guests home - Can you help?

Contact Barry Thompson by email:
presidentb170321@svp.org.uk or phone 07547 514467

The Marriage Course

St Edward's is running the Marriage Course for all married couples and couples in long term relationships. It will be held over seven sessions and it is designed to help couples invest in their relationships and build strong marriages and relationships. It will be held on Zoom. **The dates are Tuesdays, September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 18, 25 and November 1.** There are catchup video sessions if you need to miss a day.

The course is free except for the workbooks. Please contact Kathy on kathyarundale@hotmail.com for information or to register for the course. We really hope you would like to come!

Alpha Course

St Edwards & St. Mark's parish in Windsor is offering the Alpha Course beginning **20th September from 19:00**. After a huge response in 2019, we had to put the programme on hold due to the pandemic, so now we are very excited to be offering Alpha again, in person each week, in the St. Edward's Parish Centre.

Alpha is a 10-week course that explores life's big questions, in an open, non-judgmental and safe place. We'll be discussing questions like: 'Is there more to life than this?' 'Does God exist?' 'Why did Jesus have to die?' and 'Why is there so much suffering in the world?'

Millions of people have already tried Alpha in over 100 countries and languages around the world - **so why not you?** Perhaps you have a friend or family member who has fallen away from the faith during the pandemic, doesn't feel as connected to the church as they once did, or maybe has never truly answered life's big questions for themselves -- please invite them, we'd love to host them too!

To RSVP, please follow this link:

<https://forms.gle/QYmhMUHvz8jk2JBu7>

If you have questions about joining, inviting others, or joining our team of volunteers, please email Ryan Greig at:

alphawindsor316@gmail.com

Strategy and Stewardship Team

The leadership team would like to establish a **Strategy and Stewardship Team**. The purpose of this team would be to look at the long-term vision of what we want as a parish community and how we are to deepen our mission as being authentic disciples of Jesus Christ. To do this, we need to look at our community and how we can achieve this vision and build a stronger relationship with Jesus and our faith. The remit of the team will be to look at areas of parish life, ponder on what is good, see what is lacking, and what needs to be established over the next few years. Anne Dowling is going to lead this team of about ten people.

If this is something that you would be interested in or would simply like to find out more, please speak to either Anne annedowling@fairstar.co.uk or Canon David

First Holy Communion Programme – 2022 - 2023

For those families wishing to enrol their children (who are in year 3 or above) we shall be having a threefold programme, as follows:-

Step 1: 'Come and See' (John1: 39-41)

For 6 weekends from the 24/25 September to the end of October. The candidate is required to attend weekend Masses with Family members.

Step 2: 'They sat at the feet of Jesus' (Luke 10:38-42)

The Saturday morning sessions start at the beginning of November where the candidates will prepare with their parents for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Step 3: 'Jesus Sent them Out' (Luke 10:1)

The Holy Communion Mass will be followed by an invitation to do something for the community and will be introduced to the Mini Vinnies in the parish (Junior SVP).

To enrol in step 1 please fill in an application form that can be found below.

The introduction and the unfolding of the programme will be on Wednesday 21st September at 18:30 in the Parish Centre.

At this meeting of parents, you will receive the 'record card' that need to be stamped when you attend Mass. Further dates will be given at this meeting.

Please note the cut-off date for applications is 31st August 2022

To apply for registration please download the application form that you will find below. Please fill this in online and email to Fhc@catholicwindsor.org

<http://www.catholicwindsor.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2022-Electronic-Application-Form-for-FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION.pdf>

Young Catholic Adults (YCA) Weekend

Theme: "The Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics"

During the weekend of the **7th- 9th October 2022**, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey, there will be two talks – Rachael Mackenzie from "Rachael's Vineyard" will be telling her conversion story (Sat) and Fr Glaysher will be talking about the Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics (Sun). YCA will be running the weekend with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials). It's possible to stay the whole weekend (full board) or to come for the day (bring a packed lunch). Please note to guarantee your place Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend (16th September 2022).

For more information: [http://youngcatholicadults-](http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/)

[latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/](http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/) or

<http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>. To book go to :-

<https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2022>

Key Stage 2 Teacher – St Edward's RF Middle School

Required September 2022

Tel: 01753 867809 - e-mail: Vacancies@sterf.org.uk

Website: www.sterf.org.uk

Vacancy – Windsor FoodShare

Manager needed. Location - Windsor, Part Time 30 Hours

For more information:- Jane Deakin (Trustee, WCA)

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Website: <http://windsorchristianaction.org>

Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Graham Young** who died recently. Details to follow.