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Service Times this week

Sunday Masses: Saturday: **6:30pm**

 Sunday: **9:30am** (*Sung*)

11:30am (*Family*)

6:30pm (*Polish*)

Weekday Masses: **10:00am** (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri & Sat)

Confessions: Saturday 10:30-10:55am; 5:45-6:15pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sat. 10:30-11am.

Last Sunday's Collection: loose: £478.73;
envelopes: £493.72; total: £972.45.
Thank you. [WRCDT Reg. Charity no. 233699]

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Dear Parishioners,

We see many examples in the world of people who believe that everything should be organised for the benefit of themselves or their particular group. Anybody who is not part of that group is not important to them. Very often, those who are classed by them as unimportant include the people who might fall into that group in future generations. At the same time, we see people who devote much of their time and energy to highlighting how we all live in one world and how the actions of each one of us has an impact on the well-being of others. In today's Gospel reading, Christ talks about doing one's duty. Part of our duty is to reflect the Lord's love to our neighbour, and our neighbour is not just the person next to us, but anyone whose life can be affected by the choices that we make. We look for the grace to make the right choices, for the benefit of all.

May God bless you all,

Fr John Dermody.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day – There is a retiring collection for CAFOD after the Masses this weekend, following the Fast Day on Friday. If you are not able to donate today, please take one of the special envelopes and return it with your offering next weekend. Tax-payers can increase the value of their donation by completing the Gift Aid declaration on the envelope.

Parking Controls – Please note that there are no restrictions on parking in the church car park during Mass or during other parish events. If you need to park at another time, you must first obtain a permit from the parish office and make sure that it is displayed in your car windscreen. Failure to do so may result in a charge.

International Food Fayre – This Saturday (5th October) in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm (please arrive for 7.15pm). Tickets are £10 (£8 for Children under 12), and are available at the door. Contact Anne on 020 8365 2381.

Confirmation 2020 – The first session for those who have applied to be confirmed next year will be next Saturday (12th October) at 4:45pm in the Parish Centre. We ask that parents of the candidates join them for the start of that session, which will also include the 6:30pm Mass. Bishop John Sherrington will be administering the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 7th June 2020.

Parish History – A commemorative book to mark the Centenary of the parish is available in the Repository. Whilst there is no charge, a donation to cover the costs would be appreciated.

Mothers' Prayer Group - formed in Kent in 1995 by two women who wanted to pray for their grandchildren, spread rapidly and now has thousands of groups in over 100

countries. The group meets every Thursday at 10:30am in the Meeting Room. For more, contact Cathy on 07947 741460 / catherinepellegrinelli@yahoo.com, or Isabel on 07539 611248.

Secondary School Transfers – Parents who require a Certificate of Catholic Practice for secondary school applications, and who have been attending Mass regularly at St Philip's, are invited to come on Monday (7th October) between 7:00-7:30pm. Come initially to the Weekday Chapel.

October Holy Rosary group – in Church every weekday (except Wednesdays) during the month of October at 9.30am. A rota will be on the side entrance noticeboard for those who would like to lead this devotion. For more, contact Margaret on 07812 131219.

Mass with St Theresa's children – Over the course of this term, children from St Theresa's School will be joining us for some of our Friday morning Masses. Children from Years 1 and 2 will be coming this week.

Baptism Preparation – The next session for parents wishing to have a child baptised will be on Thursday 14th November at 8pm in the Meeting Room.

Invest in Peace – An event co-hosted by St Philip's and New North London Synagogue, presenting the stories of two peace activists, one Israeli and one Palestinian. Thursday 21st November, 7:45 for 8:15pm. Tickets are free but must be booked at peacefinchley.eventbrite.co.uk.

Solemn Vespers for the Canonisation of Cardinal Newman – at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 19th October at 3.30pm, to be presided by His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols. All welcome – no booking required.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants – Rosary Procession Prayer Vigil – Saturday 12th October, St Francis of Assisi Church, Stratford E15 1NS: Mass at 10am; procession to BPAS Centre; return for shared lunch. See poster or visit www.helpersuk.org.

APF Red Boxes – If you have a red collection box that has not been emptied for a while, please bring it along and hand it in at the Repository at the back of the church. Please make sure that your name is on the label on the bottom of the box. It will be returned after it has been emptied. The contents will be forwarded to the APF.

Annual Diocesan Financial Report for 2018 – is now available to view in the Westminster Record (in the porch) and can be read online via; <https://rcdow.org.uk/news/publications/>

Training for Catechists – upcoming training sessions are now listed in the porch; check for dates, times and more details. Booking required catadmin@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7798 9152.

The Catholic Trust Safeguarding training – offered to all members of the Catholic community in England and Wales, free of charge via the Educare online e-learning modules. Email your name and parish to safeguardingadmin@rcdow.org.uk to register for the free training.

Job Vacancies – Information about job vacancies in the diocese can be found via the following link: <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18) meet other single Catholics, either one-to-one or through social events. For further info. Visit www.catholicingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498.

If you are admitted to hospital, and you would like to see a Catholic Chaplain, data protection rules require you to tell the hospital staff, firstly, that you wish your details to be passed to the RC Chaplain and, secondly, that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

Polish Services – Information is available on the Polish-language website www.finchleyparish.co.uk or email

proboszcz@finchleyparish.co.uk. The Polish Chaplain, Fr Marek Gałuszka, may be contacted on 07984 293753.

CAFOD donations & Printer Cartridge Recycling – recycle your used printer cartridges by printing off the Freepost label from <https://therecyclingfactory.com/cafod> and posting your used cartridges - a donation will be made directly to CAFOD for every recycled cartridge received.

Planned Giving envelopes – If you would like to start using envelopes for your weekly offering, please complete one of the salmon-coloured forms from the rack in the main porch. A simple alternative is to give by bank standing order; yellow forms are available in the main porch giving the necessary details. If you are a tax-payer, please also complete a Gift Aid declaration so that we can reclaim the tax you have paid on your offering.

Marriage Care volunteers needed! – This Catholic organisation provides marriage preparation and relationship counselling services across England and Wales. The Barnet & Enfield Centre needs **Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators** (training is provided); an **Administrator** to help run the Centre's services; and **qualified Relationship Counsellors**. Visit www.marriagecare.org.uk for information or to apply, or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk.

Parish Registration – Have you registered with the Parish? Have you changed your address since you registered? It is helpful, if you need any kind of reference, if you are already on our parish database. Our parish database is held securely on computer and contains only the information you provide to us. That information is never shared with any third party, unless you give your express consent. If you leave the parish, or no longer wish to be included on the database, you can let us know at any time and your information will be deleted. If you need to register, or update your details, or are not sure if you have registered, please complete a pink registration form available in the main porch. (Make a note on the top of the form if you are updating details.)