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Service times this week

Sunday Mass: Saturday 6:30pm

Sunday 9:30am

11:30am

Ss Peter & Paul (Tuesday): 12 noon & 7:30pm

Weekday Mass: 10:00am

(Monday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday)

Confessions: Saturday 10:30-11:00am

Last week's receipts: loose collection: £240.37;

envelopes: £201.20; candles: £82.95.

Thank you. [WRCDT Reg. Charity no. 233699]

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27th June 2021

Dear Parishioners,

Today's Gospel reading provides two stories of healing and faith, one story presented in the middle of the other. The episode that provides the insert tells of a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years. She had consulted various doctors without finding a remedy. Looking to Jesus for help seemed like a final desperate effort. She was too embarrassed to speak of her condition in front of the crowd, so she decided that, if she could just touch Jesus' cloak, she would be well again. Her plan succeeded, but then Jesus turned around to find out who had touched him. He wasn't seeking to reprimand the woman, but she was 'frightened and trembling' because of what had happened. Jesus wanted to speak to the woman so that she would find inner peace, as well as healing. He reassured her that her faith had made her well.

During the pandemic, many people have developed a more private experience of faith. Today's Gospel reminds us of the importance of sharing our faith, and of seeking a tangible, sacramental experience of Christ's redeeming love. The support that we give to each other, in a spirit of faith, hope and love, helps us to find the inner peace we need in order to face the challenges of life.

May God bless you all,

Fr John Dermody.

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul – Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday (29th June) at 12 noon and at 7:30pm.

Peter's Pence – This collection is taken up by churches throughout the world every year, to support the mission of the Pope, the successor of St Peter, and to enable him to provide relief for some of the most needy people in the world. Donations can be placed in the wall box marked for that purpose in the main porch, or you can donate online at <https://www.obolodisanietro.va/en/dona.html>.

If you pick up a paper copy of this newsletter in the church, please make sure that you take it with you when you leave. Don't leave any used copies behind in the church.

Mass Intentions – Mass will be celebrated this week for the following intentions:

Saturday 26th June, 10:00am – Una O'Brien RIP

6:30pm – People of the Parish

Sunday 27th June, 9:30am – Dick Salt & Anne Van Grenen RIP Anniv.

11:30am – Una O'Brien RIP

Monday 28th June, 10:00am – Frederick Slattery RIP Anniv.

Tuesday 29th June, 12:00pm – Irene Spaul RIP Anniv.

7:30pm – People of the Parish

Thursday 1st July, 10:00am – Anselmo Filippi RIP Anniv.

Friday 2nd July, 10:00am – Alice Morgan RIP Anniv.

Saturday 3rd July, 10:00am – Kevin Bracken RIP Anniv.

6:30pm – Ralph Torre RIP

NHS COVID-19 app – Use the app to check in at the church, by scanning the QR code in the porch. The code is on posters displayed on your left as you enter the main door.

First Holy Communion – We hope to begin a new First Holy Communion programme in the autumn term this year, but would like an indication of how many children are likely to be taking part. Parents with children who are now in Years 2 and 3 are invited to give that indication by completing an application form for their child. Forms are available at the back of the church, or you can download one from <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleychurchend/news/sacrament/s/>. The forms that have already been received give a helpful indication of demand for the course, but applications are still welcomed.

Confirmation – We are also aiming to begin the new Confirmation programme next term. Applications are invited from those who are currently in Year 8 (or above) and who have been attending St Philip's Church regularly. Forms are available at the back of the church, or they can be downloaded from the parish microsite (same link as in the previous item).

Church offerings – Donations for the parish may be placed in the wall-box in the main porch, or in the wooden box at the front of the church. Cheques should be made payable to "WRCDT St Philip the Apostle Finchley." A preferred option is to make a transfer, or set up a standing order, to the parish bank account. The account name to use is 'WRCDT Finchley Church End', sort code 40-05-20, account number 11094599. (It is classed as a 'business' account.) Debit and credit card donations can be made via the parish microsite, which you can access at: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleychurchend/donate/>.

Newsletter distribution – Don't forget that you can read the last four issues of this newsletter on the parish websites. You can also receive a copy every week by email if you sign up for e-Alerts on the parish microsite, or simply let us know that you would like to receive the weekly email. You can unsubscribe at any time. You might also like to think about passing a copy of the newsletter to a neighbour or friend who is not able to get to the church or access the internet.

Mass with children from St Theresa's School – During this term, we have classes from St Theresa's School joining us for a few of our weekday Masses. On Thursday this week (1st July), we will be joined by children from Years 1 and 2. The front benches will be reserved for the children and school staff, but anyone is welcome to come and sit in the remaining seats.

St. Michael's Catholic Grammar School is recruiting - The Governors are seeking to appoint a Caretaker Team Leader to manage the day-to-day running of the caretaking function of the school. Closing date: Wednesday 7th July 2021 at midday - interviews will take place week commencing 12th July. A Support Staff application form and the job description are available on the school website. Please send completed applications to applications@st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk

CAFOD donations for India - As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, *Caritas India*, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres. You can donate online here: cafod.org.uk/give. Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

Gift Aid – If you are a tax-payer, and haven't yet completed a Gift Aid declaration for your contributions to the parish, it can now be set up very simply by email. See <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleychurchend/donate/> for more information.

Parish History – A commemorative book was published to mark the Centenary of the parish in 2019. We can arrange to post a copy to you. Whilst there is no charge, a donation to cover costs would be appreciated.

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 Community – Information about Polish services is available on the Polish-language website www.finchleyparish.co.uk or email mgaluszka2@gmail.com. The Polish Chaplain, Fr Marek Galuszka, may be contacted on 07984 293753.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

This Sunday's responses:

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Response: **I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord,

and they are life;

you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, *[bow]*
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul (Tuesday 29th):

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Response: **From all my terrors the Lord set me free.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church.

And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.

Alleluia!