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17th Sunday of the Year – July 27th/28th 2024
Grandparents' Day

First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44

They will eat and have some left over.

Responsorial Psalm 144:

You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

One Body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism

Gospel: John 6:1-15

Jesus gave out as much as was wanted to all who were sitting ready.



Intentions for the Masses celebrated this Weekend

Saturday	6:00 p.m.:	Clare Beahan & Rena Thomas (Good health and well-being)
Sunday	10:00 a.m.:	Michael McCarthy RIP
	11:30 a.m.:	Fr. David Maskel RIP

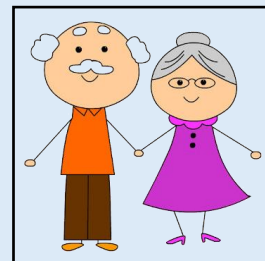
Saints of the Week

Monday	29 th	July:	Saints Mary, Martha and Lazarus
Tuesday	30 th	July:	St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday	31 st	July:	St. Ignatius Loyola, Priest and Founder of the Jesuit Order
Thursday	1 st	August:	St. Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Friday	2 nd	August:	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop
Saturday	3 rd	August:	St. Waltheof of Melrose, Cistercian Monk

EVENTS

Grandparents' Day – July 28th 2024

Father, We thank you for grandparents and elderly relatives throughout the world. We are grateful for their love, care and the advice that they give to each of us. Protect them Lord, in all that they do, as we continue to be blessed by their wisdom in our communities. Guide them in their earthly pilgrimage and always keep them close to your heart, so that they continue to generously respond to your call. We make this prayer through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



"By cherishing the gifts of grandparents and the elderly, and the contribution they make to the life of the Church, Grandparents Day seeks to support the efforts of every ecclesial community to forge bonds between the generations and to combat loneliness." - Pope Francis

Blessed Joseph (Giuseppe) Ambrosoli



The Feast Day of Blessed Giuseppe Ambrosoli (1923-1987) is 28th July (this year the Sunday liturgy takes precedent). He was an Italian Catholic priest and a Member of the Comboni Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus. Known as the "Saint Doctor," he served as a doctor and surgeon in Uganda, showing extraordinary compassion and dedication. If you haven't yet read his inspiring story, we have books available at the entrance of the Church. Please feel free to pick up a copy.

4 ways of Sharing God's Greatness with our Grandchildren

- Through stories: share Bible stories and your own faith journey. Make God's word come alive in a way that resonates with your grandchildren.
- Through prayer: pray with and for your grandchildren. Let them see your faith in action trusting that God hears and answers our prayers.
- Through time together: spend quality time with your grandchildren, engaging in activities that allow you to speak about God.
- Through your example: be a living example of God's greatness through your actions, kindness, and love for others.



YOUTH CORNER

In today's readings, we see that disciples are always learning and sharing what they know with others. Our Lord continuously offers us teachings and support. In the First Reading, Elisha, a disciple of the prophet Elijah, echoes a similar experience. Elijah had once asked a widow for her last bit of bread (1 Kings 17:8-16), assuring her that the Lord would provide for her and her son. This promise was fulfilled.

Elisha, too, experienced a miracle when the Lord instructed him to distribute bread, and it was miraculously multiplied. This event demonstrates that prophets and disciples of the Lord work in partnership with Him, knowing that they are not alone but are aiding in His work to help others.



In today's Second Reading Paul reminds us that in caring for others, we're showing ourselves to be good disciples who listen and learn. We have to stop once in a while and remember how blessed we are to have been chosen by Our Lord to be his disciples. Our Lord not only teaches us how to treat others; he also teaches us how to treat each other. He's always been quick to address and correct disciples that argue about who was the greatest or seek positions of privilege. We're called to a lifestyle that can be challenging, but he's empowered us to live it through his grace and the sacraments: humility, gentleness, patience, and faith.

The disciples in today's Gospel are proactive: they know from Our Lord's question that he wants to feed the people who came to see him, and it seems he's asking them to make it happen. Phillip sees it as impossible, even if they had enough money to feed them all, due to the size of the crowd. Andrew at least starts asking around, but the resources come up short. Both lost sight of the fact that Jesus said "we." When we feel Our Lord is asking something difficult or impossible, we must remember that, like in today's Gospel, he will be with us and help us. We never stop being disciples, so the Master never abandons us in our mission. We just have to take it one step at a time, even when sometimes it seems difficult or impossible. In the end, through taking things step by step and following his guidance, the disciples helped Our Lord to make the miracle happen. Have you felt in your heart that Our Lord has been asking you to try to do something difficult or impossible? Don't think of the end game; ask him to teach you what the first step he wants you to take, and then keep taking things one step at a time. You'll be surprised how much you can accomplish working with him!

This Week's Bible Brain Teasers

- a) In which city did Jesus perform his first miracle, and what was it?
- b) Who was the brother of Simon Peter?
- c) From Proverbs: Where there is strife, there is _____.

Answers to last week's questions:

- a) The father of King David was **Jesse**.
- b) The four horsemen of the Apocalypse rode horses coloured: **Red, Black, White and Pale**
- c) An honest answer is like **a kiss on the lips**, Proverbs 24:26

Supporting Sacred Heart Church

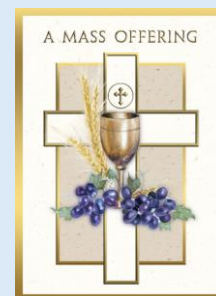


Do you go cashless? Why not consider making a 'one off' donation or setting-up a monthly standing order to support Sacred Heart Church, Sunningdale? Your contributions are greatly appreciated and will help us continue the upkeep and maintenance of the Church. It can make things easier, reliable and will make a big difference. Let's keep our Church thriving together!

For those interested, please see Fr. David for the details of our Account and Sort Code. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. We depend on it!

THE GIFT OF THE MASS

The Catholic Mass stands as the most powerful form of prayer, a divine conduit through which we can offer our deepest intentions. By requesting a Mass for someone, we engage in a profound act of intercession, praying on their behalf. Pope Paul VI once proclaimed, "The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer!" Its immense power has wrought countless miracles and conversions throughout history. Offering Masses for specific intentions or individuals is a cherished tradition within the Church, carrying a spiritual significance that is beyond measure.



When we seek a Mass for a particular intention, we invite the divine presence to intervene in our lives and the lives of others. This sacred act unites our prayers with the ultimate sacrifice of Christ. If you wish to request a Mass, simply fill out an envelope available at the back of the Church. You can place it in the Sacristy, hand it to one of the Fathers, or drop it in the letterbox at the Fathers' House.

Each Mass is a moment to adore, seek forgiveness, give thanks, and ask for divine help, making it an extraordinary treasure of the Church.

SACRED HEART WEBSITE

We are excited to announce that our website is currently being redesigned. However, you can still stay informed by visiting <https://www.sacredheartsunningdale.com>.

To receive our newsletter via email every Saturday morning, simply notify one of the Fathers, and we'll ensure you're added to the list.

We can also mail a paper copy of the Newsletter and Sunday Missalette for those who are interested. Thank you for staying connected with Sacred Heart Church, Sunningdale!

Weekly Appointments

- **Taizé Moment of Prayer:** We hold a prayer service every Friday after the 6:00 p.m. Mass and will last approximately 30 minutes in the Meeting Room of the Father's house. All are Welcome!
- The **Sacred Heart Church Newsletter** is sent via e-mail every **Saturday** morning. If you would like to receive it, simply give one of the Fathers your email address.
- There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every **Wednesday** from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with **Benediction** at 12:15 p.m.
- The **Lectio Divina Prayer Meeting** in person in the Father's house *and on Zoom*, the first Thursday of the month. Our next meeting will be **1st August** and we will begin at: **7:30 p.m.** You will be able to connect via Zoom beginning at 7:15pm. Everyone is welcome!
- **Study Group:** We will take a break during the summer months and return again in the Autumn with a new selection – stay tuned in!
- **Confessions:** Every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and on call. *Just ring the bell at the main door to the House.*
- **Daily Mass:** From Monday through Friday daily Mass is celebrated at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Father's House. Mass is preceded by Evening Prayer beginning at 5:45 p.m.

SERVICES TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Church Cleaning Roster: Francine Laurie, Ann Marie Wilkinson, Clare Beahan and Madge Flood
July 27th

Next Week:
August 3rd Jenny and Denver Dias

Volunteers can contact Mrs. Jenny Dias at: jenniferdias@btconnect.com or by mobile telephone on 07973 724404.

Readers:
July 27th 6:00 p.m.: Kitty and Anthony Hooey
July 28th 10:00 a.m.: Ros McWhinnie
July 28th 11:30 a.m.: Jayne Odogwu / Harvey Martin

Next week:
August 3rd 6:00 p.m.: Rose Taylor
August 4th 10:00 a.m.: Valerie Pike
August 4th 11:30 a.m.: Christabelle Menezes-Sachdev

Flower Rota:
July 28th Jill McPhillips

Next week:
August 4th Pat Smyth

Coffee after 10:00 a.m. Mass
July 28th Claire, Pauline and Ros

Next week:
August 4th Ruth, Alice and Rosa



Collection

Grateful thanks are in order for the **£709.84p** received in the Collection over last weekend's Masses. We warmly thank all those who continue to contribute to the upkeep of the Church through the Sunday Collection and/or a regular **Bankers/Standing Order**.

Prayer Requests for this Week

For the eternal rest of **Michael McCarthy** who died in the evening 22nd July, 2024.

For the eternal rest of **Catherine Sabandjoglou**, family friend of Jenny and Stuart Henry, who was laid to rest in France, 23rd July, 2024 and for her mother.

For the well-being of **Val McCarthy** who is in palliative care at St. Peter's Hospital.

Your prayers are also requested

For the eternal rest of **Estefania Rocha de Padilla**, mother of Fr. Ruben, who died in Mexico 13th July 2024 age 96.

For the eternal rest of **Dr. Desmond Gerald McDonald** who died 9th July 2024 age 100 and whose funeral will take place at Sacred Heart Church on **5th August, 2024 at 1:30pm**. Burial will follow for family members, all are welcome to attend the reception.

For the eternal rest of **Norman Davies**, brother-in-law to Valerie Pike, who died 11th July 2024.

For the eternal rest of **Anthony Pereira**, brother of Sharmi Wieck, who died unexpectedly and for his Family.

For the good health and well-being of **Bill Sox**, husband of Hilary who is in hospital.

We would like to encourage you not to hesitate to ring or send a message if the Fathers are able to assist you in any way.