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Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes

TWENTY- SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME - Year A

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat 29 Aug	6:00 pm	St F	Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time	
Sun 30 Aug	9:00 am	OLOL		Joan
	11:00 am	St F		
Mon 31 Aug			Feria	
Tues 1 Sept			Feria	
Wed 2 Sept	Noon- 4:00 pm	OLOL	Adoration	
Thurs 3 Sept	9:30 am - Noon	St F	ST GREGORY THE GREAT, Pope, Doctor of the Church Reconciliation 10.30 - 11.15	
Fri 4 Sept			Feria	

TWENTY-THIRD OF ORDINARY TIME - Year A

Sat 5 Sept	6:00 pm	St F	Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time	
Sun 6 Sept	9:00 am	OLOL		Martin O' Neil RIP & Maura O' Neil
	11:00 am	St F		

Arrangements for this Sunday's mass

Please arrive early for mass to allow for the following considerations:

Please follow the directions of the stewards at all times

Because we are unable to adhere to the 2m distance guidelines the wearing of a face covering for the congregation is compulsory.

The Bishops of England and Wales have said there should be no congregational singing at Mass (although we are allowed to have a single cantor)

. . . and the spoken responses we make during mass should not be in a raised voice

Communion will be given silently and in the hand only, and you should stand to receive the host. Please respect this for the safety of the priest and all parishioners.

Holy Communion - please extend your arms fully so there is a good distance between you and Fr Zbigniew.

Your hands should be palms upwards, one of top of the other, and should be extended as flatly as possible.

At the end of mass please wait until directed to leave by the stewards so that we can maintain social distancing.

MATHEW 16: 21-27

Last week we heard Peter's profession of faith in Jesus as the Messiah and the words spoken by Christ to Peter: 'You are Peter and on this rock I will build my church.' The conversation between Jesus and Peter continues in today's gospel and takes a very different turn. The suffering and death of Jesus will cast a shadow over the rest of the gospel.

Peter is shocked to hear Jesus speak for the first time of his approaching suffering, death and resurrection, shocked that the Messiah should suffer such a fate. Amid the differing opinions about God's Messiah, there was no expectation of suffering and death. Jesus himself, however, understood that the Messiah was also to be a 'suffering servant'.

The lesson for Peter is a lesson for all. Whatever our position in the Church we must be open to the unexpected ways of God, ready to learn new things, not to prefer 'man's way' to God's. The Christian is not called to position and prosperity in this world, but to self-sacrifice in the service of others. This is a constant challenge, which will often lead us on narrow and difficult paths. We can only face this reality knowing that Jesus has trodden the path before us, and that this road leads to the fullness of life.

Father Adrian Graffy

Pope's Intention for August The Maritime World

**We pray for all those who work and live
from the sea, among them sailors,
fishermen and their families**

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Parish Administrator: Yvonne Eaton

The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm.

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for Courtney Andrews, Anton Barber, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Bronek (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Maria Hall, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Clare Huckle, Victoria Kilkenny, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Deidre McNair Wilson, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.

SAFEGUARDING: If you have any safeguarding concerns re a child or vulnerable adult please contact Maureen Hudd, Parish Safeguarding Representative on 07880 730691.

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Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), of

which CAFOD is a member, launched a nationwide Coronavirus appeal on Tuesday, 14 July.

The needs are immense, long term, complex, and evolving, and so our response needs to be large scale, and multifaceted. Please donate, which you can do by following this link: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal>

If you would like to contribute to the Sunday collection then you can do this online or by Standing Order. There are collection baskets by the entrance and both exits if you prefer to give cash.

If you are at all concerned that you might have developed COVID-19 after visiting the church please contact the relevant NHS authority and let the Parish Office know ASAP