

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION AND ST. GREGORY
WARWICK STREET, LONDON W1B 5LZ**

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SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

THE 15TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY & 24TH IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus tells a dramatic story in the Gospel, to make a very important point: the desperate need in our world for forgiveness and reconciliation. How many chances do we give each other? As many as seven? How often do we shut doors on people, even family and friends, saying: 'That's it; you've just gone too far this time: never again?' When Jesus says that we must forgive seventy-seven times, he implies that we never stop forgiving, whatever happens. He doesn't just say this, however: even when they do the worst thing that could be done to him, nailing him to a cross, Jesus puts these words into practice: 'Father, forgive them...' As his disciples, we must do likewise. All too often, we only forgive things that don't really hurt us.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

First reading

Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9

This first reading sets the tone that runs throughout the readings: that our actions have an impact on ourselves and others. In this case reading, as in the Gospel, the writer lays great emphasis on the lethal impact of hardness of heart. 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah...when your fathers tried me, though they saw my work' (Ps 94) Harboursing resentment and grudges causes great harm to oneself as well as to others.

Second reading

Romans 14:7-9

In Baptism, we belong to the Lord. Sharing mystically in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are made God's adopted children. This brings us into a relationship with our brothers and sisters in Christ, and with that relationship a duty and a responsibility of humility and forgiveness to those who wrong us. What we do, and how we behave, makes a difference under Christ, the Lord of the living and the departed.

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus takes up the theme of the first reading, namely the need to forgive, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. This means, of course, that the scope of mercy and forgiveness is limitless. Just as Jesus, the Son of the Heavenly Father, mounts the wood of the Cross so that the debt of sin is written off, and the atoning Blood of the Lamb is sprinkled upon us all, so we, too, are to be merciful to those who have wronged us. How often do we say 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us'? How often do we pause to measure the impact of those words?

SUNDAY MASS

6.00pm (Saturday Vigil), 10.30am (Solemn), 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS

8am Tue-Fri 12.45pm Tue-Fri

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION -As advertised.

CONFESSIONS

Sat 5.15-5.45pm
12.15pm Tur-Fri

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Dioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Dr Rose Cleary, who can be contacted on safeguarding@rcdow.org.uk.

NOTICES

Intentions at Mass

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a specific intention, please have a word with Fr Mark.

Wednesday 23rd September at 6.30pm: Solemn Mass (Latin)

Music will include Byrd's Mass for four voices.

Fr Mark's final Sunday at Warwick Street

On Sunday 27th November there will be a bring-and-share lunch after Mass. Peter Sefton-Williams is co-ordinating the food so please email him on peter@seftonwilliams.com and let him know what you are bringing."

Please put this in your diary! There will be no 5pm Mass that day.

Walsingham Pilgrimage 13th –15th November

If you are interested in making a pilgrimage to England's Nazareth and joining this group, please have a word with Joseph Barnes.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September:

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Sunday 13th September	24th in Ordinary Time 15th after Trinity	10.30 Solemn Mass 5.00pm Mass	People of the Parish People of the Parish
Monday 14 th September	EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS		
Tuesday 15 th September	Our Lady of Sorrows	12.45pm Mass	Suffering Catholics of Ukraine and for peace.
Wednesday 16 th September	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian, Martyrs	12.45pm Mass 6.30pm Mass	
Thursday 17 th September	St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor	12.45pm Mass	Private intention
Friday 18 th September	Feria	12.45pm Mass	
Saturday 19 th September	Our Lady on Saturday	12noon Mass 6pm Mass (Vigil)	Christians of Nigeria People of the Parish

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MASS PROPERs AT THE SATURDAY VIGIL

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Sir 36: 18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

Collect

Look upon us, O God,
Creator and ruler of all things,
and, that we may feel the working of your mercy,
grant that we may serve you with all our heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

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and the sinful man will hold them fast.
The one who seeks vengeance will be paid vengeance
from the Lord,
and he who keeps a record will have his own sins
recorded.
Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done,
and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.
Does one person harbour anger against another
and yet seek for healing from the Lord?
Does he have no mercy towards someone like himself
and yet pray concerning his own sins?
If he himself, being flesh, maintains wrath,
who will make atonement for his sins?
Remember the end of your life and cease from enmity,
remember destruction and death
and be true to the commandments.
Remember the commandments
and do not be angry with your neighbour;
remember the covenant of the Most High
and overlook error.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 102(103):1-4,9-12

**The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
Slow to anger, and rich in mercy.**

Second reading

Romans 14:7-9

Brothers and Sisters: None of us lives to himself, and none
of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and
if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or
whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ
died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the
dead and of the living.

Gospel Acclamation

John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!
A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,
that you love one another, just as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

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Matthew 18:21-35

At that time: Peter came up and said to Jesus, 'Lord, how
often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As
many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'I do not say to
you seven times, but seventy times seven.'

'Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a
king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When
he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him
ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his
master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children
and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant
fell on his knees, imploring him, "Have patience with me,
and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the
master of that servant released him and forgave him the
debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one
of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii,
and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, "Pay what
you owe." So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with
him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." He
refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay
the debt.

When his fellow servants saw what had taken place they
were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their
master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned
him and said to him, "You wicked servant! I forgave you
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jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly
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your brother from your heart.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord,
and in your kindness accept these,
your servants' offerings,
that what each has offered to the honour of your name
may serve the salvation of all.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 35: 8

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter
in the shadow of your wings.

Prayer after Communion

May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray,
take possession of our minds and bodies,
so that its effects, and not our own desires,
may always prevail in us.
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MASS PROPER

SUNDAY 10.30AM

Introit

Inclina, Domine (Ps 86:1,2,3,4)

Bow down, O Lord, thine ear to me, and hear me: O my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee; have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee.

(Ps) Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

GLORY. Bow down...

Collect

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall; keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

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Prayer over the Offerings

WE pray thee, O Lord, to look down in mercy on thy people, and on the oblations which they offer unto thee: that being thereby rendered acceptable in thy sight; we may obtain of thee the remission of all our sins, and the effectual fulfilment of all our desires; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Preface

Of the Lord's Day: God the Son

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious Resurrection opened unto us the way of life everlasting. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying: Holy, holy, holy ☩.

Communion

Primum quaerite (Mt 6:33)

Seek ye first the kingdom of God: and all those things shall be added unto you, saith the Lord.

Postcommunion

O Lord, who hast fed us with thy heavenly Sacraments: grant, we pray thee; that we may thereby grow and increase toward the attainment of everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.