



# Our Lady of the Annunciation



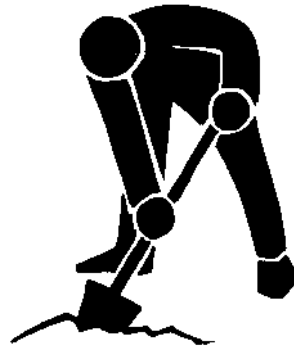
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 Monday - Saturday: Before or After 10am Mass or By Appointment

**30th July 2023 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 108 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR A**

## TREASURE HUNTER

Today's readings teach us that Faith in Jesus as our God and Saviour and sacrificing everything in life to do the will of God are equivalent to discovering and possessing the most valuable treasure or the pearl of great price. In other words, keeping a personal relationship with Jesus, remaining in a state of grace, and sharing his view of life are the most beautiful and the most precious things in the world.

The first reading tells us how the young King Solomon opted for the great treasure of accepting God to rule his life by doing His will. That is why he requested of God the gift of prudence, "*an understanding heart to distinguish right from wrong,*" so that he might govern God's people properly. The Lord God was pleased with Solomon's request and granted him "*a wise and discerning heart*" which enabled him to surpass everyone in wisdom. In the Gospel, using three mini parables and one concluding simile, Jesus teaches us that God's Kingdom, is something of extraordinary value, like a hidden treasure or a costly pearl. Possessing that treasure demands from us a total commitment if we are to preserve it. We should live every moment in view of our precious goal. Most of the time, we are chasing false treasures such as money, social status, or worldly pleasures. Thus, the really valuable "pearl" of sharing in God's life through Jesus here on earth and later in Heaven, is never found. Let us always remember that Heaven is within the reach of all of us who try to do the will of God, following the ordinary vocations of life and enjoying this world's joys and pleasures within the framework of God's Commandments. When we do this, we are already living in the Kingdom of Heaven while we are still on earth.



## PLEASE NOTE:

Newsletters will only be produced fortnightly through the summer break.

## MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 1st at 8pm (PRC)



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm**  
 In The Sacred Heart Chapel

## LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 561.51
Loose cash	£ 671.99
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1290.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 2523.50</b>

## Mass Intentions This Week

### 29 July: Saturday SAINTS MARY, MARTHA & LAZARUS

10:00 John Devereux RIP (Birthday)  
 18:00 Mr & Mrs Joseph Rasanayagam RIP

### 30 July: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY

08:30 Alwyn Pote RIP  
 10:00 All Parishioners  
 11:30 Con, Mary & Finbar Kelly RIP

### 31 July: Monday SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

10:00 Paddy Walsh RIP (Brother of John)

### 1 August: Tuesday SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

10:00 David Warner RIP

### 2 August: Wednesday

10:00 Fr John McKenna RIP

### 3 August: Thursday

10:00 Gloria Hunneybun RIP  
 19:30 Birthday Wishes for Daniel Sullivan

### 4 August: Friday SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

10:00 Francis Cleary & Peter Newman RIP Anniversary

### 5 August: Saturday

10:00 Francie McDonagh RIP  
 18:00 Pat, Geoff & Paul Emson RIP

### 6 August: SUNDAY THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

08:30 Okeke Family Intentions  
 10:00 Tony Moynihan RIP  
 11:30 All Parishioners

*Mass Intentions for next week are printed overleaf*

### \*\*\* DEFIBRILLATOR \*\*\*

A defibrillator is located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church.

## COLLECTIONS

This week there will be an ACC collection for *Woodside Bereavement Service*.

*We pray for the sick in our Parish: Phyllis Donnelly, Fr David Peck, Ethan Patel, Jonathan Leiper, Kevin Moynihan, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Marie Griffin, Ursula & Anthony Kennedy*

*We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Pauline Smith, Jimmy Flaxman, John Templeton, Eileen Fleury, Michael Kemmett, Lena Croxford, Eileen Moody, Roger Coles, Roger McNelis, Eileen Moody, Thomas O'Dwyer, John Potter, Gerald Quinn, Hannah Beston, Hélène Slonina, Jeremiah Galivan, Elena Lamberti, Agnes Crotty, Sister Mary Paula, Mary Slevin, John MacLaughlin, Mary Peazold, Pope Paul VI, Daniel Tracy, Jacqueline Trotman, Andrea Hitchens, Christiana Dipeolu, Anthony Moynihan*

### SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

*A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club*

**Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm**

30th July: Shane & Mervyn Owens

6th August: Finbar & Paul

13th August: Finbar & Paul

20th August: Mustang Showband

27th August: Theresa Rodgers

3rd September: Shawn Cuddy

10th September: Kenny Paul

17th September: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

- The **Anerley ACROSS Golf Day** will take place at the **Farleigh Golf Club on Friday, 1st September** commencing at 10am. Coffee, Tea & Bacon Rolls will be provided upon arrival followed by 18 holes of Golf. At the end of the day, Golfers will have sandwiches & chips followed by a Presentation to the winners. The day will conclude with a Raffle & Auction. The cost of the event will be £60.00 per person. You can sponsor a Hole at £50.00.

In the evening, there will be a **Dance & Supper at Our Lady's Church Hall**. The Supper will include Fish/Chicken or Sausage & Chips; a vegetarian option will also be available. The evening entertainment will be with Barry Doyle. Admission will be by Ticket Only at £15.00. You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/ Auction.

To reserve tickets for either the Golf Day and/or the evening event please contact **Ben Cahill on 07958 903410** by 6pm on Sunday, 27th August.

### Mass Intentions 7th - 13th August

**7 August: Monday**

10:00 Teresa Dolan RIP

**8 August: Tuesday SAINT DOMINIC**

10:00 Henri Valapinee RIP 13th Anniversary

**9 August: Wednesday**

**SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS**

10:00 Flor O'Donoghue RIP

**10 August: Thursday SAINT LAWRENCE**

10:00 Gloria Hunneybun RIP

19:30 Ethel Paul RIP

**11 August: Friday SAINT CLARE**

10:00 John (RIP) & Maureen Walsh Wedding Anniversary

**12 August: Saturday**

10:00 Birthday Wishes for Brandon Soumahoro

18:00 Joan McHugh RIP

**13 August: NINETEENTH SUNDAY**

08:30 50th Wedding Anniversary of Jo & Terry Eames

10:00 Owen O'Hara RIP

11:30 All Parishioners

### CONFIRMATION 2023

The remaining 3 documents required for the Confirmation programme 2023 are now available to download from our website, under the Confirmation tab.

Please print off the handbook for your information. Complete the consent form and **ensure your sponsor completes their form too**.

The completed forms should then be handed in to the parish office or, at the very latest, brought along to the first meeting on Tuesday 5th September in the large hall. *We look forward to seeing you all!*

### FAREWELL FR JACKSON & WELCOME FR TOMASZ!

There will be a parish celebration in the large hall **after 11.30am** Mass on **Sunday 27th August** to bid a fond farewell to Fr Jackson, before he makes his way to his new parish of Wimbledon. **There will be a collection for Fr Jackson on the weekend of 19/20th August**. If you are not going to be at Mass that weekend due to holidays etc, you can contribute to the collection via the parish office.

The following week, on **Sunday 3rd September after 11.30am**, we will gather again in the large hall, this time to welcome Fr Tomasz!

*We hope to see you all at both occasions!*

### RUN THE ROYAL PARKS HALF MARATHON IN AID OF THE PASSAGE - SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER

This stunning autumnal route showcases the iconic sites of London through four Royal Parks – Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, St James's Park and Green Park.

Run past some of the capital's most historic landmarks, including Buckingham Palace, Horse Guards Parade and the Royal Albert Hall. Although undulating in parts, the course is not hilly and is great for both experienced and first-time half marathon runners.

Registration fee: **£20**  
Fundraising goal: **£300**

All money raised will go towards supporting those currently experiencing or threatened by street homelessness so that we can end homelessness for good.

Sign up here: <https://passage.org.uk/get-involved/events/royal-parks-half-marathon/>

**\*\*\* CONFIRMATION 2022 CERTIFICATES \*\*\***

Are available for collection from the parish office.

### AUTUMN FAYRE SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2023

This year the theme will be **Carnival/Circus**. We are delighted with the tremendous offers of help that we have received from Our Lady's Community. The Fayre will be launched over the weekend of 26th / 27th August. **All proceeds from the Fayre will be given to established Parish Charities including Foodbanks supported by Our Lady's & the Woodside Bereavement Service.**

Over the next few weeks we need assistance in the following ways:

- **Match Funding:** Can your Business Match the Funds raised at the Fayre?
- Sponsorship for the Fayre; this can be from Businesses or Private Donations
- Items for Prizes for the Raffle: Meal Vouchers, Sports Merchandise, Golf Vouchers
- A selection of Fruit: Apples, Rhubarb, Berries for the preparation of Jams, Chutneys, Crumbles et al

If you can assist in anyway, please contact [patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk)

The next planning meeting will be on **Tuesday 29th August at 8.15pm**

### PROMOTING RACIAL & CULTURAL INCLUSION IN OUR PARISHES, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES

This seminar will take place at the **Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Southwark, from 9.30am to 4.00pm on Saturday 28th October**. You are all welcomed to this archdiocesan initiative by the *Commission for Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion chaired by Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for the Southeast*.

On the day there will be contributions from a range of speakers, including the Most Reverend John Wilson. For more information and to **register for FREE**, please visit the link below:

<https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/commission-for-promoting-racial-and-cultural-inclusion/what-we-do/>

Or write us: [racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:racialjusticecommission@rcaos.org.uk)

*Join us for a stimulating and hope-filled day of discussion!*

### CANDY GIFT BOX LUCKY DIP AT JULY SECOND SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING

Winner was ticket **251**. Congratulations! Your delicious prize can be collected from the parish office. Thanks to all who took part!

**For Collection:**

**Baptism certificates: COLLECT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE**

**Rotas: Readers (July/August) Eucharistic Ministers (August)**