

# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST. KENELM

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## LITURGY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 11th JULY 2021 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (B)

### TIMES OF MASS & MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 10th July	Vigil of Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.30pm	Leo McConvery (RIP)
Sun 11th July	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Agnes Tolan (RIP)
Mon 12th July	Feria	no Mass	—————
Tues 13th July	Feria	10.00am	Nancy & Nicki Flynn (RIP)
Wed 14th July	Feria	1.45pm	Requiem: Tony Hunter (RIP)
Thu 15th July	Feria	12 noon	Pro Populo
Fri 16th July	Feria	no Mass	—————
Sat 17th July	St. Kenelm	10.00am	Pro Populo
	Vigil of Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.30pm	Tony Hunter (RIP)
Sun 18th July	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Leo McConvery (RIP)

Second Collection this week for Stella Maris  
**(The Apostleship of the Sea.)**

### Message from Father Stefan

We will be having the First Holy Communion of 2 of our parish children (2 have decided to postpone until their family can be with them) at the Sunday morning mass this weekend. Let us keep them in our prayers as they take this important step in their faith. Please keep in your prayers our year 6 who made their confirmation on Tuesday evening. May the Holy Spirit always guard and give them the wisdom of faith. Pope Francis has called for the universal church to celebrate the first World Day for Grandparents & Elderly on Sunday July 25<sup>th</sup>

### MASS INTENTIONS to Father Stefan please

The Masses open to the public will be on **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday 10am, & 4.30pm; Sunday 10am.**

Live stream on YouTube

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKO3\\_Ft\\_zoDHsTqSXz4uiA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKO3_Ft_zoDHsTqSXz4uiA) will be available all day should people want to watch it at a later time. If you have a problem finding the past live streams, please follow the link off the live stream option on the parish website.

### Making a Spiritual Communion

- \* Make the sign of the cross
- \* Read the Gospel of the day
- \* Then share prayer intentions
- \* Say the Lord's Prayer
- \* Make an act of spiritual communion
- \* Close with the Sign of the Cross.

*My Jesus, I believe You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen*

### Helena is on a Mission

Helena Breen will be joining the Craig Lodge Mission Team in Scotland in September for 9 months to live in a community with other young people, responding to God's call to be spirit filled evangelisers.

Helena will be living a life of prayer, study, and mission - (voluntarily, not paid!) proclaiming the Good News! Mission duties include going to speak in schools, ministering to the homeless, and running retreats.

Helena needs to raise £2,000 towards the cost of her time at Craig Lodge.

More information is available at <https://www.craiglodge.org/ministries/mission-house> Helena has a fund raising page at [https://www.gofundme.com/f/helena-on-mission?utm\\_campaign=p\\_cp&share-sheet&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link\\_all&utm\\_source=customer](https://www.gofundme.com/f/helena-on-mission?utm_campaign=p_cp&share-sheet&utm_medium=copy_link_all&utm_source=customer)

Thank you

### JULY Anniversaries

Remember in your prayers those deceased members of our parish whose anniversaries occur during July: Kathleen Bicknell, Ellen Woodhouse, Thomas Moore, Teresa Moloney, Samuel Frank Doyle, Charles Atkins, Gwendoline Mary Smith, Eileen Marjory Molloy, Beatrice Breen, Mary O' Sullivan, Mick Massingham (first anniversary), John Shepherd, Catherine Dempster, Patrick Joseph McGrath, Liam John Edward Glennon.

May they rest in peace.

**Lately Dead** Please keep in your prayers the repose of the souls of Tony Hunter (a stalwart of the parish before he became a Chelsea Pensioner) and Leo McConvery. May they rest in peace.

Tony Hunter's funeral will take place here on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 1.45pm, followed by cremation at Rowley Regis Crematorium.

**Confessions** at this time, are by appointment only due to the procedures for COVID.

2021. Our 10am. Mass that Sunday will be dedicated to our Grandparents and Elderly.

*We will be continuing to celebrate Masses on weekdays, please note that stewards will not be at every service, so please check in yourself on the track and trace. In case you are wondering when there are no stewards, Father Stefan uses the fogging machine to clean the church after the service.*

### Sunday Readings Reflection

Readings: Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 85; Ephesians 1:2-14; Mark 6:7-13

The liturgy of this Fifteenth Sunday is shot through with the mysterious reality of divine election. No one is a prophet, an apostle or even a Christian by his own initiative. Whether or not he or she is aware of it, God "chose each one of us in Christ before the world began". Our Christian vocation, whether considered as a common call to holiness or in the specific details of each one's individual path, is entirely his initiative (Readings). To hear his voice and follow him is a gift of the Father (Opening Prayer) and a sign of eternal predestination to happiness with him (Alleluia), and at the same time it commits us to accept, in this life, to follow his same path, suffer the same hardships, carry out the same mission and "reject whatever is contrary to the gospel" (Opening Prayer, Gospel; Luke 9:57).

Sharon, Fr Stefan

### Urgent SVP Appeal

**Can you pledge support to the Parish SVP to help a needy Dudley couple please? Mike Weaver OLSK SVP President writes...**

During the COVID epidemic, the Dudley Council for Voluntary Services has referred folks that need befriending to Jane and David Clarke who have responded on behalf of the SVP.

"D" is 79 and has multiple health issues. His wife "S" is 63 and moved to the UK from the Philippines in 2006. The couple have been married for 14 years. S is D's main carer. Every 3 years S is required to renew her Residency Visa allowing her to remain in the UK. The costs of obtaining the visa from the Home Office, the Immigration Health Surcharge and legal fees are over £3,700 which are normally met by S from what she can save from her work. Her ability to work and save has been greatly reduced by COVID and there is still a funding gap of over £3,000. She will have to return to the Philippines if she is not allowed to stay. Without his wife, who is his carer, D will need residential care.

We are trying to raise funds from neighbouring SVP parish groups, SVP nationally and other local charities. Might you be able to pledge a contribution to the SVP to help this couple please? If so please call or text Jane Clarke on 07960 718510 or Mike Weaver on 07714 287867. Thank you.

### From Father Bruce.

I shall be celebrating the Silver Jubilee of my priestly ordination on 19th July. Please remember me in your prayers at this time.

The restrictions prevent me from inviting you to attend my special Mass; you will be in my prayers though. Remember me please in yours.