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To Fr Patrick who leaves us on 31st August, his formal goodbye will be at the International Lunch on 30th September.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 26th August 2018 - Year B

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Both churches are monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Saturday 25th August	Vigil: 21st Sunday	6pm (St T)	Tom Cunningham RIP
Sunday 26th August	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am (SSJFTM) 10am (St T) Noon (SSJFTM)	Geraldine Ashby (Int) Brian Skinner (Int) Francie O'Sullivan RIP
Monday 27th August	St Monica	NOON (St T)	The victims of the Kerala Floods
Tuesday 28th August	St Augustine	9.15am (St T)	Children getting ready to go to Nursery Primary or Secondary schools for the first time.
Wednes. 29th August	No Mass		
Thursday 30th August	Feria	9.15am (St T)	All those getting ready to leave home to go to University
Friday 31st August	Feria	9.15am (St T)	Lilly Pinto RIP
Saturday 1st September	Vigil: 22nd Sunday	6pm (St T)	Dorothy Aldridge RIP (Ann)

Reconciliation / Confessions: Saturday 11.00 - 11.30am & 5.00 - 5.40pm. St. Teresa's Church.
Rosary Group: 6.30pm Friday evening at St Teresa's & after Thursday morning mass at St Teresa's

Liturgy of the Word: 26th August (Mass Book page 123)

Entrance Antiphon: Turn your ear, O Lord and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Next week's readings: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8, Psalm 14:2-5, resp.v1, James 1:17-18,21-22,27, John 6: 63,68

Fr Patrick writes: WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

This assembly meets every three years to focus attention on the needs and challenges of family life across the world. At the last meeting in 2015 in the USA, Pope Francis said: 'We cannot call any society healthy when it does not leave real room for family life. We cannot think that a society has a future when it fails to pass laws capable of protecting families and ensuring their basic needs, especially those of families just starting out. How many problems would be solved if our societies protected families and provided households, especially those of recently married couples, with the possibility of dignified work, housing and healthcare services to accompany them throughout life? God's dream does not change; it remains intact and it invites us to work for a society which supports families. A society where bread, "fruit of the earth and the work of human hands" continues to be put on the table of every home, to nourish the hope of its children.' When the Pope speaks about bread he is not just thinking of all those families across the world where war, natural disasters and poverty deny families food, but also of those families in more developed societies where economic injustice and political failure deprive people of affordable housing, and access to local schools and healthcare. As the Pope travels to Ireland for this year's meeting, we need to reflect on how well our society meets his vision. **But for me, that's a job for Hackney. It's been a wonderful two years. Thank you for all your kindness and prayers - and every blessing be yours in the future.**

Come and be a part of your Parish Community and join us for Sunday lunch, dates scheduled for 2018:

30th September - International Lunch

28th October

25th November

16th December - Senior Citizens Christmas Party



Baptism: Our baptisms are held individually on a Saturday afternoon with a Rite of Welcome the week before at your usual Mass. If you would like to have your child baptised, please complete a baptism form & hand in to the Parish Office, or post in the post boxes. You will also need to complete a Baptism Preparation Course. **Next Course is 1st September 4-5pm, St. Teresa's Church.**



World Youth Day World Youth Day is an international event with the Pope, and Catholics from across the world. The next WYD will be in Panama, Central America, in January 2019. The Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry are organising a pilgrimage for young adults to attend this life changing event. Scholarships for 50% are also available to support young adults wishing to go. More information: dowym.com/events/wyd-panama-2019 or email: youth@rcdow.org.uk



Please don't forget to look at the notice boards for details of job adverts that we receive. We receive adverts for local faith school jobs & for all jobs in the Diocese.



Finances: 19th August St T Plate £264.96 Envelopes £412.50, Standing Orders £297, £974.46 in total. **SSJFTM:** Plate £277.94 Envelopes £141.80 Standing Orders £187, £ 606.74 in total



It's nearly time to think about...the annual Parish **Trip to Bruges!!! Saturday 1st December** ... put the date in your diaries, get your spending money ready...forms should be out first week in September.



International Lunch 2pm on Sunday 30th September our annual feast for St Teresa and also a chance to celebrate the multitude of nationalities that make up our wonderful Parish. This year proves to be extra special as the Russian Choir will be attending and it is our chance to say Farewell to Fr Patrick who will be returning for the event. You can provide either sweet or savoury dishes from your national country, these can be dropped off Saturday evening or Sunday morning. We are looking for Volunteers to help set the hall up on Saturday 29th and also to help on the actual day. Please let us know if you can help or put your details in the post boxes.



Allum Lane Holy Souls month Blessing of the Graves will take place Sunday 4th November 2pm with Fr Dominic .



Protecting your privacy: Any personal details that you provide to this parish, (name, address, email, telephone number etc.) will be held on file & stored on the parish computer securely. If applicable, your details will also be entered into the appropriate Sacramental Register. For Volunteers groups, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers etc., your details will be shared with other group members in this parish to enable you to arrange cover etc. If you do not wish your details to be shared, please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible.

You can read our full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

Kerala floods: an SVP appeal Hundreds of people in Kerala have been killed, many are missing; homes have been washed away. Kerala is the most Christian state in India - it has more churches than any other region. The SVP is there helping the victims of the flood but, they desperately need funds. If you can, please contribute to the SVP's Kerala appeal. Visit www.svp.org.uk, tel: 020 7703 3030 or send cheques made out to SVP (write 'Kerala appeal' on the back) to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. And please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.



Service of Blessing for pets and animals, St Teresa's Church, Saturday 6th October 3pm. Bring all your pets to church for this very special service!



Forms are in both churches for the 2018/19 Programmes for Confirmation & First Holy Communion. Please pick up a form and return to the Parish Office. We can then send you out details of the programmes, dates and sessions etc. The Confirmation form is folded into three, the First Holy Communion form is in half. **Forms must be returned by Sunday 16th September.**



Thinking of becoming a Catholic? Just want to know more about your faith? Our RCIA course is just for you. Application forms in churches, please complete & return to the Parish Office & we will get in touch with you.



Contingency Fund Collection: This week will be the usual end of month Contingency Fund Collection. Following our 5 yearly electrical certification tests, we have had some of the old electrical work in the Parish Centre condemned as unsafe. Unfortunately this means a complete rewiring of 3 of the circuits there, this is exactly the situation for which the Contingency Fund is meant, so thank you so much for your contributions.



Room rental in Rossington Avenue. A room has become available to rent at the Presbytery at SSJFTM. The house is in very good condition and shared with a maximum of four people. If you would be interested or would like to find out more, please speak to Fr Patrick or call the Parish Office and we can put you in touch with tenants there for you to find out more information



Russian Choir Charity Concert: Saturday 29th September 7.30pm St Teresa's church: The annual return of our friends from the Russian Choir. **We are looking for hosts for the choir for the Saturday night.** We will provide a meal for the choir on the Saturday & they will attend the International Lunch on 30th September so you will really just need to provide B & B for them. We have 4 women and 5 men to accommodate. If you are able to help please contact Sue at the Parish Office.



Foodbank shopping list, if you can donate to help increase stocks, it would certainly be appreciated, in particular, tinned soup, tinned peas, rice pudding and tinned custard.