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**6th July 2025: Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Yr.C) Double Edition**

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**"...as we apply the wisdom of the Holy Spirit..." Fr. Jude**

### **Services for the forthcoming week**

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| Saturday 5th July   | Vigil Mass: 14th Sunday Ordinary Time          | (SSJFTM) 6pm Sheila RIP   |
| Sunday 6th July     | 14th Sunday Ordinary Time                      | (SSJFTM) 8.30am Ruth Robinah Int.<br>(St. T) 10am Spread of the Word in B'wood<br>(St. T) 12pm Christian Ministers in the UK<br>(St. T) 9.15am Fran Toone RIP |
| Monday 7th July     | Feria  | (St. T) 9.15 Catalino Espino  |
| Tuesday 8th July    | Feria  | (St. T) 9.15am Sanctity of Human Life   |
| Wednesday 9th July  | No Mass  | (St. T) 9.15am Holy Souls in Purgatory  |
| Thursday 10th July  | Feria  | (SSJFTM) 6pm Baby Izuchukwu Michael Akunwafor RIP   |
| Friday 11th July    | St. Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe          | (SSJFTM) 8.30am Sanctity of Human Life  |
| Saturday 12th July  | Vigil Mass: 15th Sunday Ordinary Time          | (St. T) 10am Lyn Donlevy  |
| Sunday 13th July    | 15th Sunday Ordinary Time                      | (St. T) 12pm Holy Souls in Purgatory<br>(St. T) 9.15am John Shllaku & Shqipe Shllaku Health   |
| Monday 14th July    | Feria  | (St. T) 9.15am Arber Zefi   |
| Tuesday 15th July   | St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church | (St. T) 9.15am Arber Zefi   |
| Wednesday 16th July | No Mass  | (St. T) 9.15am Kelly Health   |
| Thursday 17th July  | Feria  | (SSJFTM) 6pm Spread of the Word in B'wood   |
| Friday 18th July    | Feria  |   |
| Saturday 19th July  | Vigil Mass: 16th Sunday Ordinary Time          |   |

**Confessions at SSJFTM: Saturdays 5-5.40pm No Confessions at St. Teresa's until further notice.**

### **Fr. Jude Writes: THE REMNANT**

'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few.' (Luke 10:3). This is a cryptic statement taken from the Gospel passage of the 14th Sunday of the Ordinary Time. *The Remnant are the privileged few in the midst of the many wolves of this world.* They are like sheep amongst wolves. But they must be as wise as serpents and as innocent as doves (Matthew 10:16). This little detail is the missing link between Luke 10:3, read today in the Gospel, and the parallel passage in Matthew 10:16. This seemingly minute detail is the key to survival in this world which is full of trickery. A serpent will do everything in its power to save its head; a Christian must apply every wisdom available to keep their faith which is their victory over the world (1 John 5:4). They are aware that their names have been established in the heavens and there is every reason to remain pure, blameless and faithful to the Gospel.

As someone once remarked, "Your richest wealth is *wisdom*, your best weapon is *patience*, your best security is *faith* and your most effective tonic is *laughter* and, surprisingly, all of these are free".

May we all come to the realisation of our true identity as privileged members of the remnant, otherwise called the Latter Day Saints, chosen for authentic witnessing to the Gospel of Christ. Let us fight the good fight of faith with all our might; fearing not the enemy as we hold out the light of the Gospel before a depraved world sunken with vice (2 Peter 1:4). Let us carry the daily cross of apostleship without grumbling or complaining (cf Philipians 2:15) as we apply the wisdom of the Holy Spirit, the innocence of the dove, the fearlessness of a lion and the grace and power of an eagle while waiting upon the Lord to renew our strength (Isaiah 40:31), in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Thank you for your generosity with our weekly offerings.

Loose plate: £923.29

Envelopes: £272

Total: £1195.26

From 22.06.25 & 29.06.25 weekends. Thank you Counters!



If you would prefer to give your offertory by contactless and you can't get to the machine, please use the QR code here which is for St Teresa's.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2025-26

### REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

**First Holy Communion:** For children in Yr.3 (7-8 yrs.) or older.

**Confirmation:** Senior School Students in Yr.9 (13-14yrs.), or above, up to 16 years old. If you are older, please apply for RCIA.

**RCIA:** Complete the Registration Form and have an informal conversation with Fr. Jude to explore your desire more.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE ONLY AVAILABLE FROM THE BACKS OF THE CHURCHES, OR FROM THE PARISH OFFICE, DURING ITS OPENING HOURS.

FHC & Confirmation strict closure date of 16th September 2025.

RCIA strict closure date of Friday 29th August 2025.

### BAPTISMS:



Our Baptisms usually take place on a Saturday around 1pm, with a Rite of Welcome, at your usual Mass, the weekend before. They are individual ceremonies. **If you would like your child to be Baptised, please contact the Parish Office for a form.** You will also need to complete a Baptism Preparation Course. This is held on the first Saturday of every month at St Teresa's Church. Please register with the Parish Office in advance.

**EMAIL SCAM ALERT!** Please delete any emails alleged to be from Fr. Jude, Fr. Fidelis or the Parish Office, requesting your bank details, to make a donation...or asking you to make purchases for us with a view to being reimbursed. If you have any concerns, please contact the Parish Office: borehamwood@rcdow.org.uk or phone 020 8953 1294. **Office hours are weekdays (except Wednesdays), 10am-2pm.** If you leave a voicemail, please state your number for a return call. Thanks.

**Stella Maris:** Provides support to seafarers and fishers spiritually, practically and emotionally. Retiring collections after next week's Masses. Thank you.

**Big thank you!** Centenary Celebration Mass Collection: £691.20.

### REPOSITION

O sacrament most holy,  
O Sacrament divine,  
all praise and all thanksgiving,  
be every moment thine! (x3)



**PRAYER FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son in the Eucharist. We now place before you all the sick and housebound of our parish. As they share in this Eucharist with us, we pray that they may come to know the depth of your love for them and, the joy, the peace and healing of your presence. Amen.

**THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER:** This will be suspended for a time and will return, at some point, in August. Updates will be given via the weekend Mass Notices, church notice boards and via the website. Mass dates and intentions will be posted on notice boards and in the 'Newsletter' section of the website.

<https://catholicparishesofborehamwood.org/>



**CONTINGENCY FUND:** There will be retiring collections after Masses, this weekend. There are envelopes at the back of the church, for UK Taxpayers, which means 25p can be added to every £1 that you give. Thank you.

**Sponsorship required for these items, please!**

Thank you for your generosity with Centenary celebrations!

### LECTIONARIES & PARISH MASS

**BOOKS:** St. Teresa of the Child Jesus

Parish Mass Books Volume C = £1980

SS. John Fisher & Thomas More

Lectionary Chapel Edition = £395



### LITURGICAL MATERIALS (Description, Quantity = Total Cost):

Lectern Fall (6 Liturgical Colours) 24 = £720

Altar Cloth 18 = £1080

(2 Taken. 12 remaining at £60 each.)

Banner 24 = £960

Chasubles 30 = £3,750

Mini Banners and Curtains 70 = £1260



### CENTENARY BUDGET NEEDS:

Restoration of St. Teresa's Lady Chapel = £2800

Choir & Choir Loft Restoration = £2900

Catering & Entertainment at £7 per person = £7000

Church Cleaning & Maintenance = £3500

**Have you lost...?** A piece of jewellery has been handed in at the Parish Office. Please make contact if you think it is yours.

### ZOOM into Bible Study with Fr Fidelis :

Thursdays 7-8pm: Use the following details:

Meeting ID: 914 738 2169. Passcode: 12345

There won't be a waiting room so just join!



### Prayer for the Jubilee 2025

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen Pope Francis

**St Teresa's church is monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and SS John Fisher & Thomas More. These can be viewed at [www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood](http://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 before the service starts, so that we can arrange assistance for you.