



ST MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, NORTHWOOD

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF NORTHWOOD AND NORTHWOOD HILLS

'Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations...' [Matt 28:19]

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (AUGUST 14TH - AUGUST 21ST)

MASS INTENTIONS

SUN 14th AUG	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM 09:00 ISAAC LO (THANKSGIVING) 11:15 TONY MARANO RIP 18:00 MARY WALSH RIP
MON 15th <i>Feria</i>	10:30 THANKSGIVING
TUES 16th <i>Feria</i>	10:30 HOLY SOULS 12:30 FUNERAL MASS OF VICTOR HANOUN RIP
WED 17th <i>Feria</i>	CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
THURS 18th <i>Feria</i>	19:00 THANKSGIVING FOR THE BIRTH OF ALLAN MONTEIRO 18:00 - 18:45 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*
FRI 19th <i>Feria</i>	10:30 JOHN TONRA RIP 12:00 - 16:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*
SAT 20th <i>St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor</i>	10:30 PRIEST'S INTENTION 11:00 - 11:50 (Confessions available) 17:00 - 17:45 (Confessions available) 18:00 PRIEST'S INTENTION
SUN 21ST AUG	TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00 CLEMENT, JOHN JOSEPH, MARY CHELLAMAH FERNANDEZ RIP (ANNIV) 11.15 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 18:00 MARGARET VASSALLO RIP (ANNIV)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Please contact us with any names you may wish to be added to these lists which are updated weekly, and accept our apologies for anyone we have omitted.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL: Those sick with COVID throughout the world, Ron Picardo, Vince Thapermall, Martha Felleppa, Fr Duncan Adamson, James Wilson, Pauline Rushowski, Patricia Lee, Sinead Bushnell, Hayley Duncan, Michael Tolputt, Audrey Potts, Tracy Bessant, Jo Smith, Brendan Smith, Mary Tierney, Michael Keating, Rafael Pino, Julius Fayiti, Anna Kelly, Justin, Margaret Downing, Victor & Gilda Kumarathanan, as well as others for whom we have been praying together recently.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: John Tonra, Archie Battersbee, Victor Hanoun, and all who have died as a result of war and conflict.

AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS AROUND THIS TIME: Harry Mackie, Richard Bosworth-Smith, Anne Van Den Berg, David Cooke, Steven Breen, Pat Lavender and Babara Callaghan.

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Our Sanctuary Lamps

burn for

God's Guidance
(Blessed Sacrament)
and

The protection of the
Emifiele Family
(Our Lady)

Holy Father's Prayer intention for August:

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities. .

200 Club

Application and renewal forms are available in the porch. Many 200 club members' annual subscription finishes with the August draw. Please consider renewing (or joining) for the September draw.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

We will be sharing a coach with Eastcote parish for the diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 24th September (Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham) Cost £20 for coach + £5 levy for cost of pilgrimage. Please contact the parish office to book a place..

Readings for Sunday Mass

First reading

Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready.

Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 44(45):10-12,16

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold..

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
forget your own people and your father's house.

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

So will the king desire your beauty:
He is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king.

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary has been taken up to heaven;
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing..

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 1:39-56

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
and my spirit exults in God my saviour;
because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.
Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me
blessed,
for the Almighty has done great things for me.
Holy is his name,
and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear
him.

He has shown the power of his arm,
he has routed the proud of heart.

He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted
the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent
empty away.

He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his
mercy

– according to the promise he made to our ancestors –
of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then
went back home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

