

Mass times and intentions: 08th – 16th June 2024

Saturday	08	TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18.00 – Busari & Olusanya Families
Sunday	09	11.30 – The People of the Parish
Monday	10	No Mass
Tuesday	11	St Barnabas, Apostle 10.00 – Mary Evelyn Piotrowski RIP
Wednesday	12	Feria 10.00 – Brenda Sparkes – Anniversary
Thursday	13	St Anthony of Padua 10.00 – John McDowell RIP
Friday	14	Feria 10.00 – Emmanuel Oghojafor RIP
Saturday	15	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 – Tim Meganan RIP
		ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18.00 – Bridget – Special Intention
Sunday	16	11.30 – The People of the Parish

Tuesday to Saturday, after the Holy Mass,
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Holy Rosary

Mass Intentions / Offerings: Special envelopes are available at the back of Church. If you would like Mass offered on a particular date or anniversary, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better. Thank you for your co-operation.

Mass Attendance last weekend: 219

Offertory Collection last weekend: £ 697.10

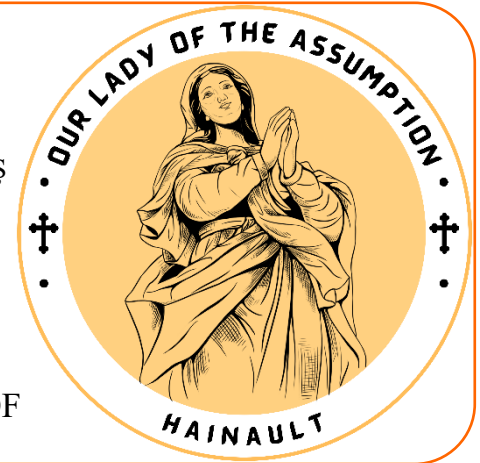
Renovation fund: £ 217.10

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyous week and I look forward, very much, to getting to know you all and working with you for the good of our Parish.

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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 09th June 2024

Parish Mass Book – Sunday Readings – pgs. 92-95

Hymn Book numbers for Sunday Mass

765 – Walk with me, oh my Lord (v. 1, 2, 5)

678 – Take our bread, we ask you

73 – Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side

147 – Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you

800 – When I needed a neighbour were you there?

Dear brothers and sisters,

In the gospels there are many different images and titles used to describe Jesus. He spoke about himself as being the Good Shepherd, the Bread of life and the Light of the World; just to name a few. However, this Sunday there is a description of him in the gospel with which we are not too familiar, but it is very clearly stated. The crowd of people is so big that Jesus is not even able to have a meal. When his family hear this, ‘*they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.*’ If we said this today about someone, it would be not exactly a compliment!

Through the way he lived and spoke, Jesus offered the people of his time and us today a message and set of values that are very radical and challenging. He did and said a lot of things that were not popular or acceptable according to the Jewish Law of the time. He went out of his way to be with people who were seen as sinners and outcasts. He spent time and ate with tax collectors. He publicly spoke to and deliberately touched those

who were sick, even lepers. He made time to be with and welcomed women into his company. We think of the woman who touched the hem of his garment, the woman who anointed him with oil and the woman he met at the well. So obvious was his unusual and radical behaviour that the Pharisees pointed their finger at him to publicly condemn and criticise him. As far as they were concerned, Jesus was certainly out of his mind and as we just heard, even his family were concerned about him.

The message and life of Jesus are very radical and demanding, even for us today. We are asked to follow a man who loved us so much that he gave himself to us at a meal, who bent as low as a slave to wash our feet and who then gave his life for us on a cross. To follow Jesus and the example of his life calls for great courage and conviction on our part. There is always the danger that people might think that we too are out of our minds if say we are following Jesus.

On March 24th 2018 a gunman took and held hostages in supermarket in France, even killing some of them. A police man, called Arnaud Beltrame freely offered to take the place of the remaining hostages. In the end he gave his own life to save others. He was described as showing exceptional courage and selflessness as he sacrificed himself to save these people. Jesus said, *'No one can have greater love than to lay down their lives for their friends.'* This police man did not even know any of the people he died for and saved. Was he out of his mind as well like Jesus? Or did he have the courage of his convictions and faith to live and die as Jesus has shown us?

Today, together, we ask God to grant us the courage to live out our faith by loving those around us and sharing what we are and what we have with others. May our example of faith and generosity be a light for all those around us.

Amen!

Refreshments after Sunday Mass

I would like to invite you to join us for refreshments after the Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall. Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee, some biscuits and a chance to meet, socialise and get to know each other.

Sacrament of Reconciliation


Confession is available every Saturday during Adoration and Holy Rosary and on request on weekdays during Adoration and Holy Rosary after the morning Mass.

Church Renovation Fund

There will be a 2nd collection after each Sunday Mass to help with the renovation of our Church. Any donation would be most welcome.

Methods of Giving

Donations can be made via standing orders, online by scanning the QR Code and entering the appropriate amount and via the offertory / 2nd Collections.

Standing order details:	Online via QR Code:
Account Name: Catholic Church Hainault The Assumption Sort Code: 40-13-22 Account Number: 31019244	

Gift Aid

If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider completing a Gift Aid Declaration form. As Gift Aid is linked to basic rate tax this allows our Church to reclaim from the taxman 25 pence for each pound donated.

Please note gift aid boxes for the new financial year are available for collection at the back of the Church. If your box is not there (and you have previously signed up to gift aid) please contact a member of the finance committee or email them on finance-hainault@brcdt.org

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on the **18th June 2024** at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Thank you, dear Benefactors of our Church!

With hearts full of gratitude, we wish to thank you for your unwavering support and generosity. Your generous contributions are not merely acts of giving, but profound expressions of your faith and love for our community. Every act of kindness, whether it was a donation, volunteering, or a prayer, has made significant impact and brought about meaningful change in our lives. Because of you, our parish continues to be a place of fellowship, support and faith for all its members.

We are deeply grateful for everything you have done and continue to do for our parish, for our church. May God reward you with health, joy, and fulfilment in all aspects of your life. Thank you!

Valentine Singers - Summer Concert – Sunday 30 June 6.30pm

Dawn to dusk, schemers, seducers and soulmates! You are warmly invited to join Valentine Singers for our 2024 summer concert: All the world on stage - a celebration of life through musical shows and opera!

Information & tickets: www.valentinesingers.org