#### Mass times and intentions: $20^{th} - 28^{th}$ July 2024 Saturday 20 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18.00 – The People of the Parish Sunday 11.30 – Fr. Jean-Claude Selvini – Silver Jubilee 21 (25 years being a priest) No Mass Monday 22 Tuesday ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, Patron of Europe 10.00 - Maureen Fox RIP Wednesday 24 Feria **10.00** – Angie Diy Thursday 25 ST JAMES, Apostol **10.00** – Healing for Titi Friday 26 Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of the BVM 10.00 – Sr. Clare Stapleton RIP Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saturday 27 10.00 – Thanksgiving SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **18.00** – Family Blessings Sunday 28 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 envelops 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: 202

Offertory Collection last weekend: £ 758.83

Renovation fund: £ 209.90

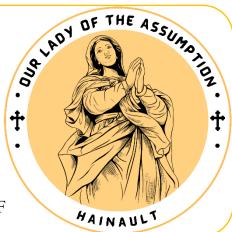
I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyous week and I look forward, very much, to getting to know you all and working with you for the good of our Parish.

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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 21st July 2024

Parish Mass Book – Sunday Readings – pgs. 109-111

Hymn Book numbers for Sunday Mass

77 – Because the Lord is my shepherd

128 – Come, Lord Jesus, come (v. 1, 3, 5, 6)

**80** – Bind us together, Lord

499 – My God loves me

175 – Follow me, follow me

### Dear brothers and sisters,

As we know from the gospels, there were always demands being made on Jesus and on his time. Many who were sick waited and queued so that he could lay his hands on them. He spoke to the crowds whenever and wherever he could; he spoke and taught in the synagogue and the Great Temple, he spoke to the people by the sea shore and from the hills. He sought out the poor and the sick so that he could be with them and to eat with them. This, as we can imagine was not easy for Jesus. On one occasion when the poor sick woman touched just the hem of his clothes, he was immediately aware that power had gone out from him. There were many other times when the crowds dismissed, rejected and ignored him. This too must have affected Jesus; these experiences as well took away his energy and drained him.

There were times in his daily life and ministry that Jesus simple needed to get away from the crowds and all their demands. These were the times when he went off himself so that he could be silent, rest and pray. In the Gospel

of Mark, we are told that early in the morning, long before dawn, Jesus got up, went to a quiet place where he prayed. Jesus loved being with people, especially those who were in need. This is why he was sent by God. In the Gospel of Luke he said to the people, 'I have been sent to bring the Good News to the poor.' However, he could only share with people what he had within himself. When he took time by himself, he rested and prayed to God for strength to continue his mission and ministry. This is what he shared with those he met, especially the poor, the sick and those everyone else despised and rejected.

Jesus called and sent his follower out to continue and carry on his work of proclaiming the Kingdom of God. This was challenging and demanding work. They couldn't just rely on their own strength and resources and they couldn't do it by themselves. And so, in our gospel this Sunday, Jesus says to his disciples; 'You must come away to some lonely place and rest for a while.' Even they needed to learn to stop working, to be silent, to rest and to pray.

We are no different today. We can't be working and busy all the time; it's not good for us. There are times when we need to stop what we are doing, we need to be silent and we need to pray. Difficult as this may be for us, we do need to turn off our mobiles every so often. When we can rest with and in the Lord, we are restored and refreshed; we are nourished and nurtured by Jesus the Good Shepherd who cares for us and protects us. We draw our life and our energy from Jesus the Shepherd who provides for us and feeds us.

Celebrating the Eucharist and receiving Holy Communion is an experience of taking time to rest, to be silent and to pray as Jesus did.

May we never be so busy that we cannot find some time each day to be silent, to rest and to pray. Jesus did, so why can't we?

#### Amen!

## **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.

## **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.

#### **Church Renovation Fund**

There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 /  $2^{nd}$  Collections.

Standing order details:	Online via QR Code:
Account Name:	
Catholic Church Hainault The Assumption	
<b>Sort Code</b> : 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.

#### **Youth 2000 Summer Festival 2024**

Our annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place from **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024** in the beautiful surroundings of Ampleforth Abbey, North Yorkshire. This festival is an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) from across the UK to grow in their relationship with God, form friendships and be inspired to live out their faith! The programme will include input from incredible speakers, a wonderful variety of workshops, and loads of opportunities to be with Jesus and encounter His love. Tickets can be purchased from <a href="www.youth2000.org/events">www.youth2000.org/events</a>. Tickets are also available for priests, religious, families and groups. If you have any questions, please email <a href="events@youth2000.org">events@youth2000.org</a>.

## Pilgrimage to Fatima

I am planning a pilgrimage to Fatima in Portugal from 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025 to cover the celebration of the apparition of Our Lady. Accommodation would be 4\* hotel full board for four nights and will include visits to the villages of Valinhos and Aljustrel (the homes of St Francisco and Jacinta). The third visionary, Lucia, only died 2005 and has not yet been canonised. We would have the use of an English-speaking courier. We can only give indicative prices at this stage but we are looking in the region of £850 including flights (based on two people sharing a twin room). For more information, please email on stteresas.np@gmail.com or phone on 0208 590 2414.

(Fr David Pearce, Parish Priest, Newbury Park)