

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST MARGARET ALL SAINTS

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 06th JULY 2025 |

2025: THE HOLY YEAR OF HOPE

First reading

Isaiah 66:10-14c

Thus says the Lord: 'Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.' For thus says the Lord: 'Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants.'

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God, 'How wondrous your deeds!'

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

*'Before you all the earth shall bow down,
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'*

Come and see the works of God:

his wondrous deeds among the children of Adam.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. Let our joy, then, be in him; he rules for ever by his might.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Come and hear, all who fear God; I will tell what he did for my soul. Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer, nor withhold from me his merciful love.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Second reading

Galatians 6:14-18

Brothers and Sisters: Far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. **Alleluia.**

Gospel Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

At that time: The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no money bag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace be to this house!" And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near." I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.' The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!' And he said to them, 'I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing

shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

FEAST | MASS TIMES | INTENTIONS | EVENTS

Sunday Hymn Numbers 10am & 12pm Masses 683|741|745|887

Date & Feast	Time	Intention	Location	Parish Events in Parish Centre
Saturday, 05 th Saturday Memorial of the BVM	5.00 pm 6.30 pm	Confessions Marilyn Brewis – RIP Nenita Fayloga – RIP	St Margaret’s St Margaret’s	
Sunday, 06 th Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am 12.00 pm 6.00 pm	Beth Morgan – RIP Juliana Ramos – RIP Latani Family – RIP	Convent Chapel St Margaret’s St Margaret’s	
Monday, 07 th Feria	09:30 am 12.30 pm	Kathleen Farrugia – RIP Requiem Mass – Eva Hadley	Chapel in Convent St Margaret’s	10.30 – 12.00 Parish Food Bank 5.30 – 6.30 Parish Surgery
Tuesday, 08 th Feria	9.30 am 10-12	Agnes Akinwusi – RIP Astrophel Ragasa – RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	St Margaret’s St Margaret’s	Nifty 50s – 12.30-2.30
Wednesday, 09 th St Augustine Zhao Rong & his Comps, Mm	9.30 am	Elon Reave – INT Elaine & Peter McWilliams – INT	St Margaret’s	10.30 – 12.00 Parish Food Bank 19.00 – AA Meeting
Thursday, 10 th Feria	11.00 am 2.00 pm 7.00 pm 7.30-8.00	Requiem Mass – Maria Fernandes Requiem Mass – Ellen Bolger Alero & Esubiy – INT Elon Reave – INT Confessions & Adoration	St Margaret’s St Margaret’s St Margaret’s St Margarets	11- 1 Coffee Morning 18.00 – 21.00 West Ham Sea Cadets
Friday, 11 th St Benedict, Ab Patron Saint of Europe	9.15 am	Elon Reave – INT	Convent Chapel	18.00 Legion of Mary
Saturday, 12 th Feria	5.00 pm 6.30 pm	Confessions Editha Florendo – RIP Sebastian Ukegheson – RIP	St Margaret’s St Margaret’s	
Sunday, 13 th Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time SEA SUNDAY	10.00 am 12.00 pm 6.00 pm	Elon Reave – INT Our Lady of Fatima – TG Tony – INT	Convent Chapel St Margaret’s St Margaret’s	
Other Sunday Masses	09.00 am 12.00 pm 5.00 pm	Romanian Mass (Latin Rite)1 Romanian Mass (Greek Catholic) Latin Mass (Extraordinary Rite)	St Margaret’s Convent Chapel Convent Chapel	

MEDITATION

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply “peace.” The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

WEEKLY NOTICES

THE PARISH 150 ANNIVERSARY 50/50 DRAW. Thank you so much for your support for the **Parish 50/50 Draw**. The Prize Money for **Week One is £276**. Tickets will be on sale after Mass. If you don't have any cash, you can use the Card Machine and scroll to Parish Fundraising to pay there. The Draw will take place on Sunday, 27th July, after the 6 pm Mass

PARISH YOUTH CLUB A groups of people are getting together to set up a new parish project for our young people between the ages of 13 and 17. If you might be interested in helping set this up please email the parish office cannningtown@brcht.org

PARISH BARBEQUE 20TH JULY AFTER THE NOON MASS, THE AFRICAN CARIBBEAN ASSOCIATION cordially invites you all to the annual parish **BBQ**. It will be a fun day, please don't miss out. Remember to put this in your Diary.

URGENTLY CONTACTING THE PARISH If you need to contact Fr John about someone who is ill or in hospital and wishes to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick, please make sure you speak to him directly or call the Parish Office, which is open Monday to Friday 09.00 13.00. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND AN EMAIL FOR URGENT MATTERS**

GIFT AID - The Year End Gift Aid Donation Statements for the 2024/25 financial year have been sent out. If you have not received yours via email or post, please contact the parish Gift Aid Organiser to investigate and revert. Please note that if your name or address has changed, it is important to let us know immediately. The person using envelope number 17 should please contact the Gift Aid organiser as a matter of urgency. Thank you for your continued generosity.

150TH CELEBRATION In October 2026, the Parish will celebrate the 150th anniversary of the opening of St Margaret's Church by Cardinal Manning on 26th October 1876 and the 70th anniversary of the re-opening of the Church in 1956 by Bishop Beck after the damage incurred by the bombing of the Second World War in 1941. This will truly be a great celebration! The Church will be completely redecorated, and I would like to place a bell in the bell tower that has been empty since the church was built! There will be many ideas and events to be organised, so we will be setting up an Anniversary Committee later in the year.

DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC? There is growing interest in the Catholic Church, and already we have 5 people who have asked to be received into the Church next Easter. If you are attending Mass but not a Catholic, you will be most welcome to join this group. If you would like to speak to Fr John before making a decision, then please see him after Mass.

ST MARGARET'S YOUNG ADULT GROUP. This group is for young adults between the age of 18 and 40. It meets every other week on a Friday night upstairs in the Parish Centre. **The next meeting will take place on Friday, 18th July, from 7 pm**

LECTIO DIVINA led by Sister Agnes (FMM) – The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 9th July at 7.00 pm in the Convent

MUSIC LESSONS WITH JACQUES ALLEN, OUR PARISH DIRECTOR OF MUSIC. I'm delighted to offer piano, music theory, and composition lessons to our church family and the wider community. Whether you're a complete beginner or looking to develop your skills further, I warmly welcome students of all ages and abilities. As your parish organist with over 9 years of teaching experience, and with my background from the University of Oxford and the Royal College of Music, I love helping people discover the joy of making music. Feel free to get in touch! **Telephone number: 07804690824 Email: jacquesallen@hotmail.com Website: www.jacquesallen.com**

WEBELIEVE, 25th-28th July 2025 - a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievefestival.com

LAST WEDNESDAY LIVE MUSIC CLUB runs on the last Wednesday of the month, 2pm-4pm, ground floor, Parish Centre.

CELEBRATING NICEA - To celebrate 1700 years since the Council of Nicaea, Deacon Ken Carleton recently gave a study day entitled 'Consubstantial with the Father: Creed, Church and Constantine'. The statement of faith it produced became the basis of the Creed we recite at Mass on Sundays. A fully edited version of the study day is now available free of charge on www.whatgoodnews.org

THE DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 25 August 2025 from 10:30 am to 4pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call Millie on [07957594646](tel:07957594646) for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

PETITION TO REOPEN COMMUNITY GARDEN (FIRST AVENUE WILDERNESS GARDEN, E13 8AR).

This garden has been closed for 2 years. Reopening this beautiful site will be beneficial to children, families and many communities. By doing a petition, local churches, charities and mosques are trying to get the Newham Council and a local community group to reopen it. We need as many signatures as we can get for this petition. If you are interested, please sign the petition sheet at the back of the church. If you want to know more of this campaign and would like to be involved, please contact Joe Walker at joe.walker@ctclondon.org.

TO MAKE A DONATION PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT

Donate £3.00	Donate £5.00	Donate £10.00	Donate £20.00
			

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Plate Collection £823.69 | Envelopes £620.30 | Digital Plates £477.00 | Total £1920.99

Thank you for your generous support of the Parish

WEEKLY PARISH SURGERY	If you wish to speak to Fr John about Baptism, Marriage, the signing of forms or any other matters, please come to the Parish Surgery each Monday between 5.30 and 6.30 in the Parish Centre
PARISH OFFICE	THE PARISH OFFICE is open 5 days a week from 9am until 1pm. All normal enquiries can be made by phone 0207 476 4129 or email canningtown@brcdt.org . All enquires made after 1pm will be answered the next working day.
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?	If you are considering becoming a Catholic or would like to know more about the Catholic faith then please have a word with Fr John. You may like to go online and have a look at the following websites. www.catholic.com/tract/how-to-become-a-catholic https://mycatholic.life/rcia/
REPOSITORY	The Repository Shop for the sale of religious articles is open from 10.00 – 12.00 Noon, seven days a week, and after the 12 Noon Mass on Sundays.
BAPTISM	Baptisms are usually celebrated on the First and Third Saturday of the month at 12.00, apart from August. Registration for Baptism can be made on any Monday at the Parish Surgery between 5.30 and 6.30 pm in the Parish Centre behind St Margaret's Church. Baptism Preparation usually takes place on the second Saturday of the month, at 10.00 in the Parish Centre, when the date of the baptism will be confirmed.
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	The preparation for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion take place each year. There are two Groups: St Helens Group, for children attending the Parish School, and the Parish Group for children attending Catholic schools outside of the Parish and children attending Non-Catholic Schools. Registration for both groups take place in October each year. The next First Communion registration will take place in October 2025. The minimum age is 7 years old.
CONFIRMATON	TO BE CONFIRMED FOR 2026
MARRIAGE	Couples who wish to get Married must give at least SIX MONTHS' notice. This is vitally important for those who are getting married abroad. Please see Fr John
ANOINTING OF THE SICK	People wishing to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, who are housebound or in hospital, should contact one of the priests. If you are in hospital, ask the nursing staff to call for the Duty Catholic Chaplain or call the Parish phone number 0207 476 4129
FUNERALS	If a family member or friend has died, please let us know so that we may remember them at Mass. In regard to the Funeral arrangements, please contact a local Undertaker who will liaise with the Parish to arrange your requirements for the funeral. If you need to find an Undertaker, please speak to one of the priests.

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Secretary: Marie O’Hanlon

Franciscan Missionaries of Mary (FMM)

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFR)

St Helen’s School

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Parish Sister:

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St Angela’s Girls School

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