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In the Parish of Saint Mary's



Our Lady of the Rosary

*In the end my Immaculate Heart will
triumph! Fiat!*

Liturgical calendar

Day	Date	Time		Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
Saturday	22	4.00pm	Eng	Vigil	
Sunday	23	9.30am 12.00 7.30pm	Eng Pol Pol	16th Sunday	<i>Parish</i>
Monday	24	12.30pm	Eng	Feria	<i>Sr Mary Michael</i>
Tuesday	25	No Mass		St James	
Wednesday	26	7.00am 7.30pm	Eng Pol	SS Joachim and Anne	
Thursday	27	No mass		Walsingham	
Friday	28	9.30am 7.30pm	Eng Pol	Feria	
Saturday	29	4.00pm	Eng	Vigil	
Sunday	30	9.30am 12.00 7.30pm	Eng Pol Pol	17th Sunday	<i>Parish</i>

Divine Mercy: 2.00pm Wednesdays

Adoration/Holy Hour: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 4.00pm

Confessions: Saturday 3.20pm-3.50pm Sunday 8.50am-9.20pm

TRIP TO WALSINGHAM THURSDAY 27th JULY.

Depart 9.00am PROMPT – please be on time as we depart as the bus can't park for long.

Mass Confession 12.00 Noon

(time for those who wish to have tea and coffee)

Bus departs for town 1.30pm

Sprinkling at Shrine c.2.30pm

Bus departs 5.30pm.

The Eucharist: What are the great fruits of the Eucharist (Catechism)

1391 Holy Communion augments our union with Christ. the principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist in Holy Communion is an intimate union with Christ Jesus. Indeed, the Lord said: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him." Life in Christ has its foundation in the Eucharistic banquet: "As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so he who eats me will live because of me."

On the feasts of the Lord, when the faithful receive the Body of the Son, they proclaim to one another the Good News that the first fruits of life have been given, as when the angel said to Mary Magdalene, "Christ is risen!" Now too are life and resurrection conferred on whoever receives Christ.

1392 What material food produces in our bodily life, Holy Communion wonderfully achieves in our spiritual life. Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ, a flesh "given life and giving life through the Holy Spirit," preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage until the moment of death, when it will be given to us as viaticum.

**THE NECESSITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WORTHILY -
IN THE CASE OF GRAVE SIN THE NECESSITY OF CONFESSION
BEFORE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**



Surrender Novena.

Don Dolindo Ruotolo received this novena from Jesus himself. It is very powerful. Fr Dolindo at one time was the Spiritual Director of Padre Pio. This novena is very important especially for the time in which we live when everything can seem out of control both in the world and in our souls. It bears close relationship to the Little Way of St Therese of Lisieux – which was a way of trust. At the heart of the novena is the message that we need to let go – we need to surrender control of our lives to the Lord and depend upon him. It needs to be a blind, total and continuous surrender. When we do this the Lord Jesus takes care of everything. But what surrender is not – is simply asking Jesus to make things work out the way we want them. We can at times look at God as a “slot machine” God if we do what we think is acceptable then he must deliver. If we are honest, this is often (although in a hidden way) how we treat God. If we leave it however, totally up to Jesus he will take care of everything in the best possible way and we shall experience peace. “You see evil growing instead of weakening?” Jesus says in this prayer. “Do not worry. Close your eyes and say to me with faith: ‘Thy will be done, You take care of it.’ I say to you that I will take care of it, and that I will intervene as does a doctor and I will accomplish miracles when they are needed.”

Spiritual Thought for the Week...

The Surrender Novena – We shall cover one day each week. Day 3
How many things I do when the soul, in so much spiritual and material need, turns to me, looks at me and says to me, “You take care of it,” then closes its eyes and rests. In pain you pray for me to act, but that I act in the way you want. You do not turn to me, instead, you want me to adapt to your ideas. You are not sick people who ask the doctor to cure you, but rather sick people who tell the doctor how to. So do not act this way, but pray as I taught you in the Our Father: “Hallowed be thy Name,” that is, be glorified in my need. “Thy kingdom come,” that is, let all that is in us and in the world be in accord with your kingdom. “Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven,” that is, in our need, decide as you see fit for our temporal and eternal life. If you say to me truly: “Thy will be done,” which is the same as saying: “You take care of it,” I will intervene with all my omnipotence, and I will resolve the most difficult situations.

O Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything! (10 times)

Dates for the diary:

Thursday July 27th Annual Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Still some places.

MISSIO Red Box Collection: It's time for the red boxes to be emptied! Please bring your red box and leave it in the sacristy, to be collected and counted. Thank you!
Teresa.

Sunday Collection: 16th July 2023
Envelope: £93 Loose Plate: £386 If donating by cheque please make it payable to Boston Roman Catholic Parish. Thank you for your financial support and those too who pay through the bank.
Thank you all for gift aiding your donations. Chaz Mayhew. (07778840886)

Stella Maris Collection: £248

Second Collections: 3rd September Day for Life. 17 Sept Ev.Gaudium.; 22 Oct World Mission Sunday; 10th Dec Poor/Needy Parishes

OF YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR

- The sick and housebound and for those who need your prayers, Sadie Wheate, Rosalyn, Mary, Fay Cowell, David Locking and Jack Newell. Michael Campbell
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From the Parish Priest's Desk...Our Lenten Journey.

Our Lord has given two great discourses: The Sermon on the Mount which lays out for us the new life of holiness that Jesus wishes to transform us into. Secondly, Jesus has given a sermon on discipleship and what are the conditions necessary to be his disciple. Now in the parables discourse, Jesus is telling us about the mystery of the Kingdom of God which is one of the great themes of the gospel. There are seven parables which cover in order important themes:

- 1) The first four cover how the kingdom grows, the need for the soil to be prepared and the need to be patient but the power of the word of God to transform.
- 2) The last three cover the joy that rises up in the disciple who has discovered the beauty, goodness and holiness of the Kingdom and who is prepared to sacrifice everything for it.
- 3) The last parable is a summary and also, makes clear that the Kingdom is preached for all men but that our decisions whether to accept it or not have consequences for either eternal life or eternal damnation.

Jesus also highlights that not all are going to understand what he is saying because not all are disposed to receive the word of God. Therefore, we need to make sure that our ears are open. How? Firstly, to acknowledge the great grace simply to have been called to hear the word of God: our eyes have seen, our ears have heard.

Secondly, the one absolute necessity is to spend time with Jesus. It is only close living with Jesus on a daily basis that will lead to our conversion and transformation. It is his look, his glances, his friendship that we must cherish – to “waste” time in his presence. After all only with him can life truly be found.

It is in prayer and pondering Jesus that we can begin to realise the abundance of the gift that he is giving us which is the Life of God himself.

If there is no friendship with Jesus, no sharing of our life with him, there can be no growth and ultimately no salvation.

Every time we pray the Our Father we are praying for this – for the coming of the Kingdom on earth, for his name to be holy in us, for us to carry out his will in all things, in all circumstances of life.

DO WE SPEND TIME WITH JESUS?

DO WE SEEK THE KINGDOM ABOVE ALL ELSE?

ARE WE READY TO MEET THE LORD?



Here is a beautiful summary:

“The most precious secret the universe holds is that the Son of God, the Word in whom and for whom the universe was created, has descended into the heart of this world, and there he will abide, loving the world with the same love with which the Father loves him, “fermenting” the world with this love and exerting his transforming power “till it has all been leavened.” Thus, the dough of the “kingdom of the world [will] become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever.” (Rev 11:15) (E Leiva-Merikakis vol 2 Gospel of Saint Matthew p. 264)

So let us remember the particular virtues we need to practice:

ATTENTIVENESS

PATIENCE

TRUST

PEACE

God bless, Fr. Dominic *Fiat!*

