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Week beginning 2 July, Thirteenth Sunday of Year A

Today's Readings:

First Reading - (2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16) *The elderly woman of Shunem, whose respectful service to Elisha, the man of God, is rewarded with the promise of a son whom she lacked*

Psalm - (Psalm 89) *The lectionary selection focuses solely on the celebratory portion of this psalm and this first section praises God's steadfast love and faithfulness.*

Psalm Response - **I will sing forever of your love, O Lord**

Second Reading - (Romans 6:3-4, 8-15) *Paul writes that Jesus came in the likeness of sinful flesh and broke the dominion of sin and death by his own death and resurrection*

Gospel - Matthew 10:37-42) *Jesus cautions his apostles about non-hospitality and rejection but nevertheless they will be welcomed by some gladly. He adds further that even a glass of cold water given in hospitality will be rewarded*

Fr. John Writes -

I am confident that there are enough young people in our parish to form a preparation group for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. Qualifications to join this group are: to be over 12 years old and under 17 years old, to be willing to participate regularly in our preparation sessions over a period of months. I am hoping that we might have some good fun on this journey together, lots of discussion, and some good insights into our Faith on the way. In the Church porch there are some slips of paper headed **CONFIRMATION** - please fill one in and hand it to me. I am hoping that our meetings may be on Saturday afternoons but this depends a lot on who is coming and what other commitments they already have on weekends. But we will decide when and how often we meet (and consequently when the Confirmation ceremony will be). If we start planning now, we could be ready to start after the summer holiday period finishes.

Next Sunday is **Sea Sunday** when we will have the annual collection for the Apostleship of the Sea (AoS). The AOS is a Catholic charity supporting seafarers world wide providing practical and pastoral care to all mariners regardless of nationality or belief. Port chaplains and volunteer ship visitors welcome seafarers, offer welfare services, advice, practical help, care and friendship. The seafarers spend up to a year away from home, separated from their families and loved ones and often working in harsh conditions. The AOS relies wholly on voluntary contributions and can only continue its work through the generous donations of its supporters, particularly this collection.

Last year we held a party as a way of thanking all of you in the Parish who regularly give up your time to help ensure the Parish runs as smoothly as it does. Deacon Jolyon and I would like to invite you and a guest to attend a "Thank You" event **NEXT Saturday 8th July at 7.30pm** (after the 6pm mass) in the Parish Centre as our way of thanking you for the work you do. Food and drink will be provided.

Please write your name, your guest's name and the volunteer group you work with, e.g., Choir, Readers, Cleaners, Flower arrangers, Eucharistic Ministers, Children's group, Money Counters, to name but a few. You know who you are so please do write your name on list that is in the porch so we know the numbers to expect. Fr John & Deacon Jolyon.

Prayers

Those ill or infirm in our parish – Elizabeth Morrison and Colin Morrison, Joseph Adams, Patricia Hook, Philomena (Philly) Curtin, Michelle McKinnon, Jo Venables, Marjorie and John Dumbleton, Joseph Delaney, Elena Troake (Elena Peck's daughter), Linda Wharfe, Jane McKinnon, Michael McDermott (Mara's husband), Angela Drummond-Brady, Wendy Butler, Stephen Beasley, Mgr. Hill, Lester Kinkel and Ellie Lawrence.. Your prayers, please, for all our sick parishioners, family members and friends.

'Relatives and Friends' list is on the porch noticeboard

Those whose anniversaries occur about this time – Mark Clements, Beryl Bately, Ann Yeoman, Frances Koo, Caroline Hutt and Janet Locke.

This Week's Services

Saturday 1 st July	THIRTEENTH Sunday (A)	6pm Vigil Mass <i>welfare of Ray Bell</i>
Sunday 2 nd		8.30am Mass <i>People of the parish</i>
		10.30am Mass <i>Josie Moran RIP</i>
Monday 3 rd	St Thomas, Apostle	10am Mass <i>Welfare of Sr Anne(Maggie)</i>
Tuesday 4 th	St Elizabeth of Portugal	10am Mass
Wednesday 5 th	St Anthony Zaccaria	10am Mass <i>Private Intention</i>
Thursday 6 th	St Maria Goretti	9am Mass <i>Deceased Diocesan Clergy</i>
Friday 7 th	Feria	10am Mass followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 8 th	Feria	
	FOURTEENTH Sunday (A)	6pm Vigil Mass
	Sunday Masses at 8.30am & 10.30am	

Tuesday 4th Tenterden Walks, starting from our car park. Meet at 10.15am, leave at 10.30am.
 Wednesday 5th Choir Practice at 7.00pm
 St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) meets at 7.30pm.

July 8th / 9th Fourteenth Sunday in A			
Readers	6.00pm	08.30am	10.30am
	Kevin Thornton	Michael D-B	Frances Lawrence
Extra - Ordinary Ministers	Maggie Urquhart	Elena Peck Louise Carter	Liz Dumbleton Rani Thomas
Flowers - Maureen			

Repository Sale. We have a range of Mass, Birthday, Sympathy, Get Well, Thinking of You, Anniversary cards and **First Holy Communion** cards. We also stock Missals, Medals, Bibles, Rosaries and Prayer Books. The Repository is available after all weekend Masses.

Summer Accommodation in London - Allen Hall.

Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offers comfortable rooms in central London in July and August. Beautiful gardens & chapel. Rooms from £50 per night (including breakfast). Single and double rooms and en-suite. Web: : www.allenhall.org.uk email: allenhall@rcdow.org.uk

Some wise words.....!

No man is truly married until he understands every word his wife is NOT saying - *Anon*
 Only time can heal a broken heart, just as only time can heal his broken arms and legs - *Miss Piggy*
 Laugh and the world laughs with you - snore and you sleep alone - *Anon*
 Experience is the comb life gives us when we are bald - *Mavis Peake*

Copies of the Flower Rota are available in the porch. Please, take the one with your name on.