

**Monthly Memorial Prayer Vigil
for refugees and asylum-seekers**

On the 3rd Monday of every month
outside the Home Office SW1P 4DF from 12.30pm
– 1.30pm. Praying for:

*Those who died trying to reach the UK

*Victims of current wars

*Those in detention & who are homeless

*The UK to be a more welcoming nation

Sign up to receive email news & alerts of changes or
cancellations at: homeofficevigil@gmail.com

Next vigil is Monday 17th July.

The Power of Life and Nature

There will be an Exhibition of paintings by Alex
Roch entitled, "The Power of Life and Nature"
from Wednesday 28th June - Tuesday 22nd August
2023, at 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH.

A Private View will be held on Monday 17th July
from 6.30 - 8.30pm in the Arrupe Hall, and all are
welcome.

A percentage of sales will go to the Parish.

A Day with Mary

When: Saturday 29th July 2023

Where: Westminster Cathedral

9:45am Entry procession of Our Lady of Fatima.
Angelus. Crowning. Sung Litany.

10.30am Mass (with cathedral choir). Celebrant &
Preacher: Fr Slawomir Witon. Consecration of the
Parish to the Immaculate. The Five Joyful Mysteries

12.15pm Lunch break *Please bring a packed lunch*

1.20pm Exposition and Procession of the Blessed
Sacrament. The Five Luminous Mysteries. Silent
adoration. Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Lawrence Lew
OP. Meditations on the Passion. Divine Mercy
Chaplet (sung). Act of Consecration. Benediction.
Procession of Our Lady of Fatima from Cathedral to
Cathedral Hall. The Five Glorious Mysteries.

5.00pm Enrolments in the Brown Scapular and
Miraculous Medal in the Cathedral Hall, followed by
tea break.

*Throughout the day: Confession and adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament.*

THE MARTYRS' WALK

SUNDAY July 23rd. Meet 2pm (NOTE TIME!!!)

At the churchyard of St Giles-in-the-Fields, WC2H
8LG by kind permission of the Rector. Nearest tube:
Tottenham Court Road. There will be a short talk
telling the history. St Giles - a former leper hospital,
founded by Queen Matilda in the 12th century - was
by tradition the place where prisoners en route to
Tyburn were given a final drink.

We will walk to Tyburn convent (approx 45 mins),
honouring the memory of the Martyrs of the 16th
century. The Walk will finish with Benediction and
Tea at Tyburn.

Feast of St Ignatius

The Feast of St Ignatius is on Monday 31st July. A
solemn sung Mass will be celebrated at 6pm, with a
wine reception afterwards. All are most welcome to
attend. A special invitation is extended to all Jesuit
alumni/ae.

Make the Summer Count!

Do you have a cherished creative project that you
haven't quite completed yet? Would a coach and a
summer be all you need to get it to the next
milestone? Bless the world with your own unique
light-call Sarah de Nordwall today and be part of
the Bard School's summer 1 to 1 coaching
programme 5 one hour sessions for £200.

Call today to apply. One Assisted Place available
at £150 due to a kind donation given to help
someone in need. Apply here by booking a
discovery call

<http://sarahdenordwall.com/courses-events/>

Or call 07849 641 899

And Make Your Summer Count!

Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners is a confidential telephone
helpline service. A Diocese of Westminster
initiative, it has been set up for those who are
returning to the faith. The helpline is all about
listening to others, listening to those who might
have become isolated due to the pandemic. This
service is based on the Landings ethos of
compassionate listening. Although not a
counselling service, the helpline is staffed by a
professional team of volunteers who are trained to
signpost callers to other services and agencies.
Sometimes just communicating with someone who
listens and understands can help clarify a way
forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease
a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe
space to talk.

Operating three days a week from 4pm-7pm on
Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays calls are free on
0800 448 0704

For further information please email us at
Catholiclisteners@gmail.com.

Catholic Listeners are here to listen.

Welcome

If this is your first time here, we would like to
especially welcome you to Farm Street, our vibrant
and engaging Catholic parish in the heart of
London.

We aim to welcome all who come to our church to
share in our faith and fellowship. Please do
introduce yourself to a member of the clergy. You
will always be most welcome here.

Fr. Dominic Robinson, SJ

Parish Priest



Jesuit Church of The Immaculate Conception

FARM STREET

Welcome to Farm Street Church, our vibrant and
engaging Catholic Parish in the heart of London

www.farmstreet.org.uk



PARISH OFFICE

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PARISH CLERGY

Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest

Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

REGULARLY ASSISTING CLERGY

Fr David Birchall SJ; Fr Michael Bossy SJ

Fr Damian Howard SJ;

Fr Paul Nicholson SJ; Fr Laco Sulik SJ

SAFEGUARDING OFFICE

Debbie Martin, Email:

farmstreetsg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday: 7.30am - 6.30pm

Sunday: 7.30am – 7.00pm

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 8:00 | 13:05 | 18:00

Saturday: 8:00 | 18:00 (vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 | 09:30 (Family) |

11:00 (Latin), 12:30 | 17:30 | 19:00 (Young
Adult, 18-35)

Join us for a coffee after the 9:30 and 11:00
Mass.

All Masses can be viewed on our

livestreaming page

<https://www.farmstreet.org.uk/livestream>

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT

Monday to Friday: 12:00-13:00

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday: 12:00 – 12:55

Saturday: 10:00 to 12:00; 17:45 – 17:55

Sunday: Fifteen minutes before every Mass

Also by appointment

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

16th July 2023

YEAR A

TODAY'S RESPONSES

ENTRY

*As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.*

RESPONSE

*Some seed fell into rich soil,
and produced its crop.*

ACCLAMATION

*Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have
the message of eternal life.*

COMMUNION

*The sparrow finds a home and the swallow a
nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of
hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they
who dwell in your house, for ever singing your
praise.*



ST BENEDICT

Last [Tuesday] was the feast day of St. Benedict. In this country, as in the rest of Europe, St Benedict is especially honoured as one of the Patrons of Europe. It is a reminder of the importance of monasticism in the history of Europe. The monasteries which were the centres of learning, the providers of hospitality and care for the poor, the centres of spiritual life from the time of Benedict in the sixth century onward. It is hard for us to imagine how the monastery would have dominated the medieval world. It would have been the one substantial stone building in a world of thatch, wattle and daub. Often it would have been the landowner and controlled the life of everyone in the area, certainly it would have been the symbol of the centrality of God and the Church to medieval life. These were the great days of western monasticism, in many countries destroyed by those who envied, and sought to control for themselves, the wealth that accrued to the monasteries.

I sometimes come across people who think that the heritage of St Benedict died out at the end of the Middle ages and are amazed to discover that there are still monks living out the rule of St Benedict today. However, monasticism remains as important as it was in the time of St Benedict. That there are people who commit themselves to the service of God through a life of prayer is important, not just for their own relationship with Him, it is important for the rest of us. We often talk about contemplatives "praying for the Church". We may think of this as intercession. In a different contemplative tradition St Therese of Lisieux is one of the patrons of the missions, although she never ventured outside her convent, but dedicated herself to prayer for the missions. However, I have something else in mind. As the Church we are told we form one body. The different parts of the body have different functions. This includes lives dedicated to the monastic liturgy and to contemplative prayer. It is important as reminder to all of us of the place that prayer and contemplation should play in all our lives. It is also important that there are people fulfilling this function in the Church, leading this kind of life for all of us as part of the Body the Church. It is important, just as it is important that there are people who live out the married vocation and that it is important that there are people whose lives are dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel through the priesthood and through apostolic religious life.

As we celebrate St. Benedict we not only celebrate a central aspect of European history and culture, we also remind ourselves of the importance for the Church that there are people like St Benedict and that monastic life has a relevance, not only for those who live it, but for all of us.

Fr Chris Pedley SJ

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Sunday Refreshments

Refreshments are normally served in the Arrupe Hall after the 9.30am, 11am and 5.30pm Sunday Masses (second & fourth Sunday only for 5.30pm).

Liturgical Calendar

Sun:	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23
Mon:	Feria Exodus 1:8-22; Matthew 10:34-11:1
Tue:	Feria Exodus 2:1-15; Matthew 11:20-24
Wed:	Feria Exodus 3:1-12; Matthew 11:25-27
Thu:	Feria; St Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr Exodus 3:13-20; Matthew 11:28-30
Fri:	Feria (Friday abstinence) Exodus 11:10-12:14; Matthew 12:1-8
Sat:	St Mary Magdalene Song of Songs 3:1-4; John 20:1-18
Sun:	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 12:13-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:12-43

9.30am Mass Hymns

Entrance	406	O praise ye the Lord
Offertory	601	Praise to the Lord
Communion	803	Love is his word
Recessional	788	Praise to the Holiest in the height

11am Solemn Latin Mass Music

Prelude	Un poco allegro (Sonata IV) BWV528 <i>J S Bach</i>
Mass	Mass in G <i>Schubert</i>
Motets	Cantate Domino a5 <i>Hassler</i> Laudate Dominum (Vespers) <i>Mozart</i>
Postlude	Prelude and Fugue in G-major BWV541 <i>J S Bach</i>

Pilgrimage to Walsingham in Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

Saturday 5th August 2023

Led by Most Rev. Kevin McDonald Archbishop Emeritus of Southwark.

Commencing at the 12 Noon Pilgrim Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation.

DEPARTURE 7.30 a.m. (prompt) Westminster Cathedral, Ambrosden Avenue

Tickets : £25.00 from Domenica 07913 434357

For more details www.prolifepilgrimage.org and follow online at walsingham.org.uk/live-stream

Prayer intentions

Please consider asking for particular prayer intentions at Mass and the lamp before Our Lady of Farm Street. Contact the Parish Office or speak to the sacristan for information on how to make your requests. Details of Mass intentions are on the notice board outside of the sacristy.

The lamp this week is lit for the repose of the souls of Benito and Luisa Cayaban

SONGS FOR A SUMMER EVENING –

PERFORMED BY the Take Note Singers at Farm Street Church on Tuesday 18th July at 7.30pm

Take Note Singers was formed in February 2009 by a group of enthusiastic amateurs, mostly from the Lambeth North area, who just enjoyed singing. They started with a nucleus of dog walking friends and neighbours and, over the years, have sung at numerous events for charity.

After the last few turbulent years when there were no events to practise for, the group is looking forward to singing again, under the direction of our new Music Director David Terry, in aid of the Central London Catholic Churches Homeless Services and for Farm Street Church

MARCH FOR LIFE

The annual UK March for Life will take place on **Saturday 2nd September**. The theme this year is 'Freedom to Live'. 'Many are concerned about restrictions on freedoms but it's often not until these restrictions affect us personally that we speak up. Sadly, those who have their most fundamental freedom taken from them, by abortion, cannot speak for themselves – this is why we march. For our nation to be truly free, no one can be denied the number one freedom, the freedom to live!' (*Taken from the March for Life UK website*). With evermore legislation being proposed to criminalise pro-life witness, it is vital that advocates for the unborn in the UK continue to make their voices heard. The March for Life is a major opportunity to do so.

Morning events: 10.30am – 1.30pm

The Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street, SW1P 3DW

Mass: 10.30am

Westminster Cathedral

The March: 1.30pm

From The Emmanuel Centre

Ends at Parliament Square 4.30pm

For more information visit

www.marchforlife.co.uk

Young Adults Formation

The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham (COLW) is offering an opportunity to Catholic men and women aged 18 - 35 to live alongside their community in Norfolk for a week this summer.

As well as joining community prayers, meals and activities, young adults will receive formation on topics such Prayer, Scripture, Discernment and the Spirituality of Walsingham.

There are two choices of dates: 14th - 21st August or 30th August - 6th September.

To find out more, please enquire by 31st July by emailing the COLW Sisters at

freetobe@walsinghamcommunity.org

Community of Our Lady of Walsingham, House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor, Dereham, Norfolk, NR20 4AZ.

Tel. 01362 421442.

www.walsinghamcommunity.org

St Patrick's Spirituality Summit

Saturday 29th July 2023 at St Patrick's Church, Soho Square

This full-day summit is focused on how to grow in the spiritual life. We will be exploring different ways of praying as well as being led through the day by renowned spiritual author Fr Jacques Philippe. Other contributors include Kerri Christopher, Fr John Jesus, Emma Holland, Joanna Grennan and Sr Carino Hodder OP. The summit begins with Mass at 11am and concludes at 8pm. Booking is required. For more information on the timetable and to book a ticket, visit www.stpatricksoho.org/spirituality



The London Jesuit Centre is a place for the teaching and discussion of theology, the study and practice of the spiritual life, and engagement with issues of social and environmental justice, for the greater glory of God and the common good. It offers a programme of events, courses, and retreats. It is also a centre for individual spiritual direction and training and professional development in spiritual accompaniment. All are welcome to participate in the London Jesuit Centre programme.

For more information and to sign up to their mailing list for regular updates on events, please visit

www.londonjesuitcentre.org.

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