

## Camino Ignaciano Alda to Loyola

We are delighted to be organising a Camino Ignaciano from Alda to Loyola from the 5<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The itinerary will be:

- Monday 5th September: Transfer from Bilbao airport to Maeztu, Alava. Overnight.
- Tuesday 6th September: Transfer to Alda. 1st stage: Alda-Opakua (15.6 km). Transfer to Maeztu. Overnight.
- Wednesday 7th September: Transfer to Opakua. 2nd stage: Opakua-Araia (10.1 km) Transfer to Maeztu. Overnight.
- Thursday 8th September: Transfer to Araia. 3rd stage: Araia-Arantzazu (18.1 km) Overnight
- Friday 9th September: 4th stage: Arantzazu-Brinkola (11 km) Transfer to Arantzazu and overnight.
- Saturday 10th September: Full day of repose in Arantzazu
- Sunday 11th September: Transfer to Brinkola. 5th stage: Brinkola-Zumarraga (11 km). Overnight
- Monday 12th September: 6th stage: Zumarraga-Loiola (16.4 km). Overnight
- Tuesday 13th September: Day in Loyola. Breakfast and overnight in Loyola.
- Wednesday 14th September: Transfer to Bilbao. Free day in Bilbao
- Thursday 15th September: Transfer to Bilbao airport and end of our services.

Pilgrimage price without flights, 2 gratuities: For a group of 10-14 pilgrims, 8-12 pilgrims paying: 1,620€/person in double room and 2,090€ in single bedroom, all of them with private bathroom.

For a group of 15 pilgrims or more, 13 or more pilgrims paying: 1,490 Euros/person in double room and 1,890 Euros in single bedroom, all of them with private bathroom.

For more information and to request a booking from, please contact George McCombe at [Farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:Farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk). The booking deadline is the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022.

## Feast of St Ignatius

A sung Mass will be celebrated for the Feast of St Ignatius on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm. All are most welcome to attend this Mass, which will be followed by a wine reception in Mount Street Gardens (weather permitting).

## Sunday Refreshments

In order to give a well deserved break to our volunteers, coffee and tea will not be served after the 9.30 and 11.00 Masses during the month of August. This service will resume on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> September.

## Sacristan Farewell

The church sacristan, Kevin De Souza, will be leaving Farm Street Church to pursue new interests. His final day will be Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July. We wish him all the very best for the future and thank him for all his hard work over the past three years.

## FARM STREET CHURCH VACANCY

Farm Street Church is a very active city centre church in the heart of Mayfair under the care of the Jesuits. We are looking for a motivated, hard-working individual to assume the position of sacristan. The position is full-time at 31 hours a week with pay being set at £13.70 an hour. Working days are Saturday, Sunday, and three weekdays to be decided. Flexibility is required and overtime may be expected. Sunday hours are set at ten hours. The successful applicant will demonstrate a commitment to the mission of Farm Street Church.

Duties include managing the sacristy; setting up for and being present at Masses, baptisms, funerals, and other services and events as required; and acting as registrar for weddings. The sacristan is also responsible for the cleaning and care of the sacristy, sanctuary, and other parts of the church as required. Additional hours will be required at Christmas and Easter. The sacristan will report directly to the parish priest.

For further information about the parish please visit our website [www.farmstreet.org.uk](http://www.farmstreet.org.uk). To apply for this position please e-mail George McCombe at [farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk) to request an application form. The deadline for submitting an application is 4pm on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August. Those applicants invited to attend an interview will hear from us by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August. Interviews will take place during the week beginning the 15<sup>th</sup> August.

## Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

**Where?** Walsingham National Catholic Shrine  
**When?** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August, 12 noon.  
Led by Bishop Philip Egan.  
For more details contact 01858 571 242.  
[www.prolifepilgrimage.org](http://www.prolifepilgrimage.org)

## Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners a new service based at Farm Street. The helpline operates a confidential, listening service with a wealth of experience at compassionate listening especially to those who may be interested in reconnecting with their faith. Operating three days a week from 4pm to 7pm, on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, calls are free to the Helpline on 0800 448 0704  
Email Ade on [catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:catholiclisteners@gmail.com).

# NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022

### PARISH CLERGY

Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest  
Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

### REGULARLY ASSISTING CLERGY

Fr Damian Howard SJ; Fr Paul Nicholson SJ  
Fr Laco Sulik SJ; Fr Michael Bossy SJ

### PARISH STAFF

George McCombe, Parish Secretary  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday to Friday:** 8am, 1.05pm, & 6pm  
**Saturday:** 8am & 6pm  
**Sunday:** 8am, 9.30am (Family), 11am (Latin),  
12.30pm, 5.30pm, & 7pm (Young Adult, 18-35)

All Masses can be viewed on our livestreaming page <https://www.farmstreet.org.uk/livestream>

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Monday to Friday:** 12 noon to 1pm

## CONFESSIONS

**Monday to Friday:** 12 noon - 1pm  
**Saturday:** 10am to 12 noon; 5.45pm – 5.55pm  
**Sunday:** Fifteen minutes before every Mass  
Also by appointment

## CHURCH OPENING HOURS

**Monday to Saturday:** 7.30am - 6.30pm  
**Sunday:** 7.30am – 7.00pm

## YEAR C

### ENTRY

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

### RESPONSE

On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

### ACCLAMATION

The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

### COMMUNION

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.



## ASK AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU

Today's Gospel encourages us to pray to God for the things that we need and promises us that we will receive the things for which we ask. It is a very comforting Gospel but it may leave us with a certain sense of unease. There are times when it does not seem to fit with our experience. Perhaps we remember occasions when we have prayed for something and it has not worked out in the way we hoped. Often we keep praying for things in the world, like peace and justice, and our world can often seem even more violent and more unjust.

In these circumstances we can find ourselves asking what is wrong. Are we praying the wrong way? If only I say this or that prayer, if I only I pray more often or with more trust then God will listen. If only I was a better person, God would love me more and do what I ask. However, this does not fit with what we know about the love of God. Jesus tells that we should not go on heaping up lots of prayers. God knows what we need before we ask. We also know we cannot earn God's love. The New Testament is full of accounts of God's mercy. It reminds us that God loved us while we were still sinners and that is why Christ came into the world. The Psalms are also full of complaints that it is the wicked who prosper. The idea that if we do the right thing then God will do what we want does not seem to fit either with our experience or scripture. What is more it is not Christian.

Our trust in God's love and care does not mean that we expect God to rescue us, or our loved ones, from the ordinary business of life. It was our ordinary lives, which include the reality of suffering and death, which Christ came to share and transform. That includes the reality of suffering on a grand scale, of disaster, natural and manmade. These are also events Jesus shared in. According to Luke's Gospel it was the demands of those in power which lead to Jesus being born in Bethlehem in the first place and Matthew tells us of the Holy Family fleeing to Egypt as refugees.

Neither is it helpful to imagine God as a puppet master, capriciously manipulating the details of our lives. We can quickly fall prey to superstition. Again the idea that we can somehow buy God's love by our practice. We become no different from those who believe in gods who have to be appeased by various rituals, like the pagans of Jesus time, or who think their lives are governed by the movement of the stars. That is not what the Church's life of prayer is about.

We trust in a God who knows our needs and whose love for us is boundless. But as Christians we believe in "God with us". We believe in the one who has shared in all the difficulties of our lives and transformed the meaning of those lives by his cross and resurrection. This above all is our hope. It is right that we should pray to God for what we need but we must trust God to work out his providence in ways which are "greater than we can ask or

imagine", as Paul puts it. We need to hope and trust even, indeed especially, in those times when we are called to share in the cross of Christ. We live through those times when things do not seem to go our way and God can seem very distant. We can do that because of our faith in Christ and that, through his death and resurrection, whole of creation has been transformed. It is because he knew that we would experience those difficult times that Jesus said what he says in today's Gospel.

**Fr Chris Pedley SJ**  
*From the archives. First published on the 24<sup>th</sup> July 2016.*

### SAVE THE DATE!

The Farm Street Charity Ball, a dinner-dance to raise funds for the charitable works of the parish, will be held on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October at The Savile Club, Brook Street, W1. The evening will include musical entertainment, a live auction, a raffle and a few surprises. More details and booking information to come.

### Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick:  
Debra Minty Baker, Marie Carroll Copestake, Chrissie Harkink-Mobbs, Erin Lillis, Sarah Esparza Regalado, & Nathalie Richards.  
*The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.*  
*Psalms 41:3*

We pray for those in the parish who have recently died: Diane Marie Hirsh (Ryden)  
*Requiescat in pace.*

### A Lamp For Our Lady

To give honour to Our Lady, a lamp will now burn before her statue in the sanctuary. A 7-day lamp will be lit every Saturday, the day traditionally devoted to the Blessed Virgin, and burn throughout the week. An offering of £10 is requested to light this lamp, the intention of which will be printed every week in the Newsletter or may be kept anonymous (e.g. 'An anonymous donor for a private intention'). Please email the Parish Secretary (FarmStreetOffice@rcdow.org.uk) with your requested week and intention as well as how you wish it to be published.

**The lamp this week is lit this week for a private intention**

### Mass intention

If you would like a Mass to be celebrated for a specific intention, please contact the Parish Secretary at [farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk)

### Liturgical Calendar

**Sun:** Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Mon:** St James, Apostle  
**Tue:** SS Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Wed:** Feria  
**Thu:** Feria  
**Fri:** St Martha, Mary & Lazarus  
*6pm is celebrated as St Ignatius at Farm Street Church (Friday abstinence)*  
**Sat:** Feria; Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday  
**Sun:** St Ignatius of Loyola.

### Daily Bible Readings

**Sun:** Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13  
**Mon:** II Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28  
**Tue:** Ecclesiasticus 44:1-15; Matthew 13:16-17  
**Wed:** Jeremiah 15:10-21; Matthew 13:44-46  
**Thu:** Jeremiah 18:1-6; Matthew 13:47-53  
**Fri:** I John 4:7-16; John 11:19-27  
**Sat:** Jeremiah 26:11-24; Matthew 14:1-12  
**Sun:** Jeremiah 20:7-9; I Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Luke 14:25-33

### Tim Hetherington Film Club

Farm Street, 114 Mount St W1K 3AH  
Next showing: Arrupe Hall 6.30pm for 7.00pm on Thursday 28 July 2022  
Cost: free - with drinks and refreshments (donations welcome)  
Presenting: 'Michael Collins' (1996 director Neil Jordan; 132 mins) Book invited (but not necessary) at [dhurst52@gmail.com](mailto:dhurst52@gmail.com)  
Continuing with films on the centenary of the Irish war of independence 'Michael Collins' (somewhat less gruelling than the last film by Ken Loache) is a 1996 biographical period drama written and directed by Neil Jordan and starring Liam Neeson as the eponymous Irish revolutionary, soldier and politician, Michael Collins, who was a leading early 20th century figure in the sometimes violent Irish struggle to break away from English rule. The stellar cast also includes Alan Rickman, Julia Roberts, Brendan Gleeson, Aidan Quin and Stephen Rea.  
The film won the Golden Lion at the Venice Film Festival and was also nominated for Best Original score and Best Cinematography at the 69<sup>th</sup> Academy Awards.  
Next film club showing: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September. NB there is no film showing in August.

### 9.30am Mass Hymns

<b>Entrance</b>	<b>406</b>	O praise ye the Lord
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>601</b>	Praise to the Lord
<b>Communion</b>	<b>803</b>	Love is his word
<b>Recessional</b>	<b>788</b>	Praise to the holiest in the height

### MARCH FOR LIFE 2022

The annual UK March for Life will take place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**. The theme this year is '10 Million Too Many'. Since the legalisation of abortion in England and Wales in 1967, a staggering 10 million\* abortions have taken place in the UK. In 2020, more than one baby was lost to abortion every two and a half minutes; twenty-five lives ended every hour. With the success of the pro-life movement in overturning Roe v. Wade in the USA and the subsequent vilification of pro-life campaigners by many politicians and media outlets, 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: 11am**  
*St George's Cathedral, Southwark*

**The March: 2pm**  
*From The Emmanuel Centre*  
*Ends at Parliament Square 4.30pm*

**"Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, calumniate you, set traps for you, take you to court, or kill you."**  
— Pope Francis

For more information visit  
[www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk)

\*Calculated at 9,900,961 on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### LJC SUMMER SCHOOL - FAITH MOT

**Dates:** Evenings from 8-12 August 2022 and on the morning of Saturday 13 August. Participants are invited to come for all or part of the week.  
**Times:** Monday to Friday 6:30-8:30pm; Saturday 9:00am-1:15pm.  
**Invited contribution:** £10 per evening/morning (more information)  
**Venue:** In person at London Jesuit Centre  
**Registration:** [www.londonjesuitcentre.org/ljc-summer-school](http://www.londonjesuitcentre.org/ljc-summer-school)  
**Overview of the week**  
This week-long summer school is for those who want to take time with God to give their faith a check-up and perhaps to develop it in a new way. Sessions focus on prayer, discernment and decision-making, synodality, scripture and relationships with some of those on the margins of society. The course is designed to allow participants to attend all, some or only one of the sessions depending on their needs and availability. *Each session includes table fellowship over a simple meal, the course itself (there will be a choice of options per session) and a time of communal prayer to end the day.*