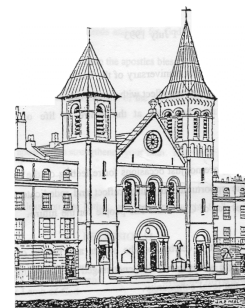


# CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 JUNE 2013

## HE WHO HAS BEEN FORGIVEN LITTLE LOVES LITTLE

There are none so unforgiving as those who have never committed any great sin of their own .... who have never had their comfortable standards put to the test .... who have never sought forgiveness with any great need. Perhaps for these people it doesn't seem any big deal to withhold forgiveness because they have never experienced the joy and relief of receiving it. It's a very different story for those who know the burden of guilt, for those who wish they could put the clock back and undo the sins that colour their future. For these people, forgiveness is liberation and salvation. This is how the woman of ill repute must have felt in today's gospel. She had the burden of sin taken away from her and she was overwhelmed with gratitude and love for Jesus. "He who has been forgiven little loves little," Jesus tells us. To know the importance of forgiveness in our own lives is to know the importance of forgiveness for others too.

Nowadays we are very quick to label people and judge them. Every time we open a newspaper or switch on our television we find ourselves automatically judging the politician who has had an affair, or the football hooligan who has trashed a city bar. But to have an unforgiving nature is to deny someone the chance to change. To deny someone forgiveness is to label them by their sin and fail to see anything worthy in them. The invitation for us today is that we see people not by their past misdemeanours, but by their true worth. We are invited to share in the love and freedom that forgiveness can bring.

## PARISH NEWS

**SUBSCRIBE:** To an electronic copy of our newsletter sent weekly to your inbox. Subscription and all questions: [newsletter.stjohn@gmail.com](mailto:newsletter.stjohn@gmail.com)

**THE PARISH 170<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MASS:** If you know of any former parishioners and friends of St John's parish, who would like to attend the Anniversary Mass and the celebrations on the **30<sup>th</sup> June at 11am**, please do invite them. It would be great to see them.

**DAY TRIP FOR SENIORS:** There will be a day trip to Clacton on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2013 leaving from St John's. The cost is £10. If you would like to attend please call the office on 020 7226 3277 option 2, leaving your name, telephone/mobile number and £10 deposit.

**RCIA:** Do you want to become a Catholic, or know someone who wants to? We have a course called the RCIA course for adults over 18 who wish to be baptised or received into the Catholic Church or Confirmed. The next course will start in the autumn of this year, and there will be an Enquirers' Evening for anyone who is interested in learning more on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30pm in the church. If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact

In an event of a fire or a fire drill taking place, please remain calm, and follow the safest exit routes that will be co-ordinated by the Church Fire Wardens, who will lead you to the designated assembly point.

David Lester, the RCIA Co-ordinator, at [davidlester51@btinternet.com](mailto:davidlester51@btinternet.com) or 020 7250 0513.

**BAPTISM:** We welcome our new parishioner who will be baptised today: Charlie Stephen Francis Field.

**ORGAN RECITAL:** On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 7:30 pm here at St John's by Jane Parker Smith. This is a parish event to celebrate not only the organ's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday, but the 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the church. The programme is a friendly one and there will be a video screen at the front so you can watch her playing all the keyboards and pedals. Entrance is free with a retiring collection.

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## DIARY

**LEGION OF MARY:** We meet every Wednesday at 7pm please come to 39 Duncan Terrace.

**A DAY WITH MARY:** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at The Guardian Angels, Mile End Road, London E3.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Tuesday's 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> June or 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7:30pm in the Church. Registration forms are in the Vestibule.

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## NOTICES

**SUNDAY COLLECTION 09 JUNE: Envelopes £509.67 / Loose £750.94**

**MARRIAGE:** The Diocese asks that couples who are hoping to marry should give **six months** notice to their Parish Priest. Please do not make any arrangements for your wedding date and reception before meeting with your Parish Priest.

**PLAY AND STAY GROUP:** Looking for volunteers to take over the running of the group from September. If anyone is interested please contact Bridget on 07980 959 107 or email [magicsquare1963@yahoo.com](mailto:magicsquare1963@yahoo.com)

**SPANISH SESSIONS:** For young children aged 2 – 4 years old held at 1a Providence Court, off Upper Street, N1. Every Thursday at 2:20pm–2:50pm. For other sessions please contact Camila Leslie on 07748 424 204.

**MASS FOR HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE:** On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 3pm with Fr Mike Gwinnell at St Joseph's Church, Highgate, N6.

**LA SAINTE UNION CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** We currently have a limited number of places available in Year 8. If you are interested in applying for a place, Application Forms, Parental Self-Assessment Forms and Priest's Reference Forms are available on the school website

[www.lasainteunion.org.uk/admissions](http://www.lasainteunion.org.uk/admissions) alternatively, you can email [general@lsu.camden.sch.uk](mailto:general@lsu.camden.sch.uk) or telephone the school for the documentation to be sent to you.

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## REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

**REST IN PEACE:** Please pray for those who have died, especially Johanna Daniels, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**HEALING:** Please pray for parishioners and their relatives / friends who are ill, especially: Paddy Buckley, Mick Hossack, Amylia Boylen, June Edwards, Joanne Matthias, Adriano Grazioli, Chanelle Aldea Alba, Stephen Martinez, Bro. J. Lavelle, Marist Brother, Mufide Family, Harry Perkins, Antonio Neto, Mary Halligan, John Day, Jacky Kelly, Jacquelin Abel, Suzanne Greaves, Bridget Harrington, Mr & Mrs John Drum, Joseph Kasonde, Michael Bryant, Ann Gray, Tonya, Pam Chalkley, Gwend Fitzgerald, Kieran Fogarty, Noel McKeown, Ann Barrett, David Ryan, Mick Feeney, John Barley, Annette Donivar, Avit Noranh and Rosalind Jules.

THE WEEK AHEAD			
DATE	TIMES	INTENTIONS	READINGS
Sat 15 Jun	6pm	Terry Casey RIP & Martin Coleman RIP (Anniv)	Luke 7:36-8:3
Sun 16 Jun 11 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9am	Kenneth Gadd RIP (7 <sup>th</sup> Anniv)	
	10:30am	Grant Lewington RIP	
	12noon	Mary Moran RIP	
	6pm	For Parishioners	
Mon 17 Jun Feria	10am	Holy Souls	Matthew 5:38-42
Tue 18 Jun Feria	10am	Intentions of Delia Rockett	Matthew 5:43-48
Wed 19 Jun Feria	10am	Kevin Mannion RIP	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thu 20 Jun St Alban, Martyr	10am	Intentions of Florentina Stott	Matthew 6:7-15
Fri 21 Jun St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	10am	Souls in Purgatory	Matthew 6:19-23
Sat 22 Jun STS JOHN FISHER, Bishop and THOMAS MORE, Martyrs	10am	Kevin Killeen RIP	Matthew 24 :4-13
	10.30–11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	
	10.30-11.30am / 5.15–5.45pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	6pm	Dessie Cullen RIP	Luke 9:18-24
Sun 23 Jun 12 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9am	John Scully RIP	
	10:30am	Patrick Collins RIP & Intentions of Teresa Whooley	
	12noon	Tony Ovitts RIP, Shirley Grace McDonald RIP	
	6pm	Mass for Parishioners	