

28th July 2019 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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

Responsorial psalm: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord. (Ps 137)

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The spirit you received is the spirit of sons and daughters, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba Father!'. Alleluia!

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

Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY COLLECTION: £669.27

Many thanks for your generosity.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Monday 29th July	St. Martha
Wednesday 31st July	St. Ignatius of Loyola
Thursday 1st August	St. Alphonsus of Liguori
Friday 2nd August	Blessed John of Rieti o.s.a.

And finally... This Sunday's Gospel has Jesus respond to a request from his disciples to teach them how to pray. Jesus then sets about to teach them what we now commonly know as the Our Father or the Lord's Prayer. Because we say the Our Father so frequently, this is an opportunity to reflect on this prayer and to discover that in teaching his disciples this most special of all prayers, Jesus covers all aspects of praying, in only a few words. The Our Father consists of seven petitions to our merciful and loving Father. The first three relate to how we are to serve our God. The last four petitions present our basic human needs to our heavenly Father.

But before we ever utter a word in prayer, we must first of all have a desire to open ourselves up to God and be willing to enter into a conversation with our God. So we speak to God but even more importantly, we are to listen to our God. St. Augustine, captures beautifully what happens when we pray. "Prayer is a devout movement of the soul towards God." May we never give up on our desire to engage in conversation with God, knowing him to be a loving Father who responds to our needs, for he knows what is best for us, for he sees us as his sons and daughters and he loves each and everyone of us. **Blessings.....Fr. Ian o.s.a.**

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Worth a visit?

I wonder how many of you have visited our Parish web site or recommended it to friends as a great source of information and news.

It contains lots of relevant information on the Parish including our Priests and Mass times along with contact information should you need to get in touch with anyone.

The Weekly Bulletin can also be found there so if you forget to take your copy home, or can't make it to church one Sunday, you can always see it online.

All the latest news is there including a report from Fr Paul on his recent visit to Africa and parish events and outings always appear, usually supported by lots of photographs.

There's a gallery of pictures and a section on the history of the Parish with some great supporting material.

You can learn more about the Augustinians and there are lots of helpful links to relevant web sites.

The site also features material on our patron St Joseph, on the school and on important matters such as safeguarding. You can also see who represents you on the Parish Council.

All in all a wonderful site and one well worth visiting at:

www.stjosephsbroomhouse.org.uk

Community: Fr Ian Wilson OSA (Prior), Fr Paul Graham OSA (Parish Priest),
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Sunday Mass 8:30am & 11am. Daily Mass 9:30am.

Confession: After Sat. am Mass and on request

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Church House: 20A Broomhouse Place North, Edinburgh, EH11 3UE

NOTICES for 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).

ABOUT BEING CATHOLIC (RCIA) – This course is now over until 3 October. Anyone who is interested, please speak to Fr Paul.

LEGION OF MARY – meets weekly at the new time of **Sunday, after the 11am Mass (12.15pm)**, in the small room of the hall. New members welcome.

Living Monstrance Children's Rosary Group
Meets every Sunday after the 11am Mass in church. All are welcome.

CHURCH WALL – thank you to our volunteers, who continue to work painting it on Saturdays. Please make any observations to the team leader, John Tait.

POUND CLUB
Draw takes place today.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS – they were serviced recently. A new set was installed in the church sanctuary and three sets in the parish house, which only had two old water-filled ones. They will be serviced annually from now on, as recommended by the local Fire Officer.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

18 August (Sun) - Pensioners' Outing. **Please see the clipboard provided.**

28 August (Wed) – Feast of St Augustine: 7pm Mass + BBQ in the Parish House.

10 September – Parish Council

DIVINE MERCY SHRINE – the devotees of the Divine Mercy have some ideas about beautifying the shrine at the back of the church. These will be put before the parish council in due course. There is still time to make further suggestions.

MESSY CHURCH
– taking place at St Joseph's next Sunday (4th August) with a sports day picnic theme.

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2020 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARISH and 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE AUGUSTINIANS

The Parish Council are making preparations to celebrate this event. If anyone has any suggestions, please contact Ewan Walker.

CHURCH RENOVATION – please be reassured that nothing will happen without thorough consultation; and any final decision will be made with the parish council. According to the parish survey, there is general acceptance for some renovation, which is helpful to know. One thing that we hope will happen, to coincide with next year's anniversaries, is the repainting of the church interior. All comments are welcome. *Fr Paul.*

Please remember to talk to God when you come into the Church, let God talk to you during Mass, THEN talk to one another after Mass.

'ST JOSEPH'S HELPERS' – this is the new name of the group of volunteers in the parish who wish to help the elderly and housebound with practical jobs in their homes. The organiser is Jozef Pietrzak, who will speak about it at all the masses today. The contact details are: 07856 565 146 and

stjosephshelpers2019@gmail.com

SPIRITUAL RENOVATION

– more important than the renovation of the church's interior is the spiritual renovation of the parish. This is something the parish council has been discussing and was the main reason for putting out the parish survey. Various programmes for parish renewal are being looked at. Chris Dempsey, who recently attended an Augustinian Laity Congress in Rome, will be making a report on this subject to the next meeting of the parish council.