

## TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021



# St Joseph's Catholic Church

## SHOOTERS HILL

### The week ahead

#### Confessions:

Fr Seba is available to hear confessions. Please call the Parish office (020 3105 8577) to book your appointment.



#### Prayer to St Joseph:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son;

In you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen



Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:15am 12 noon	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St Francis of Assisi
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Mass
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Mass
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Our Lady of the Rosary
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Mass
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	St John Henry Newman
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:15am 12 noon	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

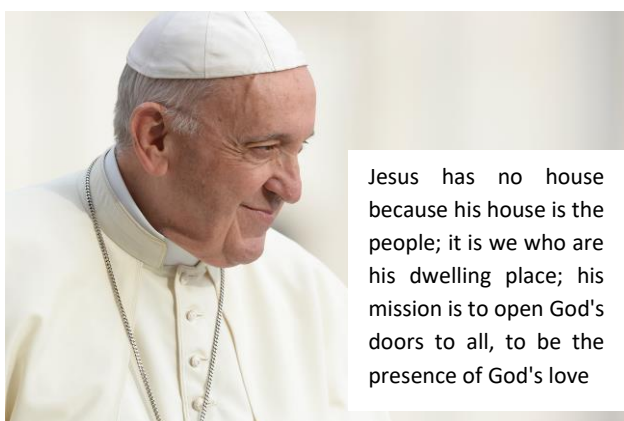
#### 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Edgar is twelve and almost six feet tall. His is the box room in our 1930s semi. Although he has his own space for sleeping and other activities, he must hang his school uniform in James' wardrobe. Moving home during the pandemic wasn't a prospect we relished, but it was obvious that we needed to try and do it.

James was at home self-isolating the second time the house sale fell through, so it was impossible to keep the details of the phone call from him. "If it's meant to be, it will still happen. Leave it to Jesus. Maybe the house we want will still be available when we have sold our house, and if it's not, then God will have a better one lined up.

I should have been telling him that, but he was telling me, while he made me a cup of tea.

*God in the family*  
By Lucy Russell



Jesus has no house because his house is the people; it is we who are his dwelling place; his mission is to open God's doors to all, to be the presence of God's love

## Liturgy

**First Reading:** - Genesis 2:18-24

**Responsorial Psalm:** - Ps 127 Rv5 – May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

**Second Reading:** - Hebrews 2:9-11

**Gospel Acclamation:** - cf John 17:17 – Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth.

**Gospel:** - Mark 10:2-16

## Notre Dame School News

**Bless our school as we learn together. Nourish our lives with love and joy. Let this be a happy school always, where all are welcomed and respected. A place where we can pray, worship and work together. Amen.**

This week, the Collective Worship PowerPoint was preparing children for the 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Prayer Heroes provided music and images for reflection, prayer, scripture, and a follow up activity. It is amazing that the Prayer Heroes are working alongside staff to provide Collective Worship sessions to the children at Notre Dame. Please do have a look at them and maybe use them at home with your children and families. Remember that they can be found on the website under the tab Catholic life, Prayer Heroes.

Our Prayer Heroes were also provided with the opportunity to attend Mass at St George's Cathedral in London. They joined other children from the Diocese to attend Mass and celebrate the beginning of the new school year. They represented the school beautifully

Year 6 went to visit St George's Garrison Church, in Woolwich, this week to learn about its history. They learned that the church which was designed by Thomas H Wyatt (1807-1880). It is in an Italian-Romanesque style, built between 1862-63 to serve the Royal Artillery. Year 6 visited this church as it links to their history topic – World War II. St George's Garrison church was bombed during World War II. The church survives as an evocative ruin with recently conserved mosaics. The children were immersed in the history of this local church.

Finally, this week, we received a visit from an Education Officer and Advisor for Religious Education from the Education Commission. He watched lessons, looked at the children's RE books and spoke to the children. He was extremely impressed with the knowledge and spirituality of the children he spoke to, and both their verbal and written responses in their RE lessons.



## Information

### Wine Raffle

Remember, raffle tickets are being sold in the porch at the end of every Mass. Tickets cost £2 each. The draw will take place in the hall after the 10:15am Mass next week, where we will find out who has won a case of 12 bottles of wine! Good luck!

### Head Teacher Vacancy

Applications are invited from practising Catholics for the post of Headteacher at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School in Eltham. Application Packs may be downloaded from the advert on the TES website <https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/headteacher-greenwich-1488311> or obtained by emailing [headship@epm.co.uk](mailto:headship@epm.co.uk). The closing date for completed application forms to be submitted is 4th October 2021.

### Church Pews

The votes are in! They've been counted and verified! The design that has been chosen is...drum-roll please...**PEW NUMBER 1**. If you'd like to remind yourself of what it looks like, the photo is still on display in the hall. Come and have a look, and maybe stay for a cup of tea and a biscuit after the 10:15am Sunday Mass.

### September's 100 CLUB winner!

Ana, one of our young parishioners, drew number 4 last week. Congratulations to the holder of the winning ticket. They walked away with £200. Well done! The amount raised for the parish was £340. This included a parishioner paying for the full year! Good luck to everyone for the October draw! If you'd like to be in with a chance of winning, now is the time to sign up and be a part of future draws. Ann will still be at the back of the church at the beginning and end of 10:15 am Mass and at the beginning of 12pm mass for you ask any questions and sign up! Please come forward and contact Ann (07713 021 641) if you'd like to help with signing people up. Thank you.

### Child and infant Baptism

If you would like your child to be baptised at St Joseph's, you will need to complete a Baptism Application Form (you can download the forms from our website – <https://www.stjoseph-shootershillraos.org.uk/baptism> or collect one from the back of the church). You will need to bring this completed form, and the documents specified on the guidance letter, to the Baptism Preparation class. The Baptism Preparation classes are held on the first Saturday of every month. It is important that you bring the form and all documentation with you. Without them, we will not be able to give you a date for the Baptism. Please contact Katrina, our Baptism Coordinator, on 07568 502 803 for details and more information.

### Saint of the day

St Gerard of Brogne



Born to the Belgian nobility; son of Stance and Plectrude. Raised in a military atmosphere. Courtier to the Count of Namur. Disappointed by court life, and ashamed of the many privileges he received from his family and military post, Gerard realized that he was called to the monastic life. He found Belgian monasteries too lax in their discipline. While visiting France in 917 on a mission from the Count, Gerard decided the life of the monks of Saint Denis was right for him. He settled his worldly affairs and took vows at the monastery. There Gerard became an example to other monks in following the Rule, and in his devotion to prayer. His life, and his encouragement of the brothers, helped Saint Denis becoming an example for monasteries throughout Europe. He was ordained but wrestled with feelings of inadequacy as a priest. After 11 years, the abbot asked Gerard to return home to form a monastery there. Abbot of the new monastery, he soon gained renown for his strict observance of the Benedictine Rule. This led many religious and political leaders to request that he reform monasteries throughout Flanders, Lorraine, and Champagne.

**Liturgical Colour: White**

## General Information

### Sick, Housebound, Anniversaries and Funeral Services

Please continue to keep the sick of our parish family in your daily prayers. We continue to remember those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

*May all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*

### Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention, please write your intention down with all the details, together with the Mass stipend, and put it through the Presbytery door. Alternatively, you can contact the parish office on 020 3105 8577 or email [shootershill@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:shootershill@rcaos.org.uk) – Mass intention envelopes are available at both exits of our church.

### First Holy Communion

Today is the last week for you to register your children for the Holy Communion Programme. Please visit <https://www.stjoseph-shootershillrcaos.org.uk/first-holy-communion> and enter all information requested. You will also need a digital copy of your child's baptism certificate ready. It is part of the registration process and you will need to upload it before submitting the form. If you have any questions, please email [shootershillwebsite@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:shootershillwebsite@rcaos.org.uk). Thank you.

### Collections

26 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	
<b>First Collection</b>	<b>£479.49</b>
<b>Second Collection</b> <small>(Hall Fund)</small>	<b>£110.22</b>
<b>100 CLUB</b>	<b>£340</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£929.71</b>

**This week's second collection is for The Church Hall Fund**

If you cannot attend mass, please visit our [website](#), and click the **Donate** button. If you are a taxpayer, please remember to tick the 'Gift Aid' box. God bless, Ave Maria.



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