27th July 2025 (Year C) SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Catholic Parish of Our Lady of Hal

Camden Town

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

Cf. Ps 67: 6-7, 36

God is in his holy place,

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

Collect: O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First reading: Genesis 18:20-32 'Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak.'

In those days: The Lord said, 'Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know.' So the men turned from there and went towards Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord.

Then Abraham drew near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered and said, 'Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again he spoke to him and said, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then he said, 'Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' He said, 'Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

R/ THE WORD OF THE LORD C/ THANKS BE TO GOD

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

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

Second reading: Colossians 2:12-14

'God made you alive together with him, having forgiven all trespasses.'

Brothers and Sisters: You have been buried with Christ in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by cancelling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Romans 8:15bc

Alleluia, alleluia.
You have received the Spirit of adoption as sons,
by whom we cry, 'Abba! Father!'
Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

'Ask, and it will be given to you.'

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' And he said to them, 'When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.'

And he said to them, 'Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey and I have nothing to set before him"; and he will answer from within, "Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything"? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

R/ THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD
C/ PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST

Prayer over the Offerings:

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings which we bring from the abundance of your gifts, that through the powerful working of your grace these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life and lead us to eternal gladness. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon:

Ps 102: 2

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

FOR YOUR PRAYERS SICK, HOUSEBOUND, THOSE WHO RECEIVE COMMUNION AT HOME:

Mike Power, Father Anthony, Margaret Quinn, Michael O'Brien, Christine Smith, Rachel Cottrell, Alice O'Neill, Janice Davidson, Jilly Taylor, Peter Cawdery, Pauline Guthrie, Maureen Lyden, Julia Dunglinson, Richard Ainsworth, Francesco Sesia, Joe Owen, Doreen O'Callaghan, Wesley Gilead, Henrik Sperlich, Allan & Lynne Mackintosh, Ray Norris, Morag & Raj Puri, Stephen de Winter

HAL LAMPS: JOHN SCHOLTZ (RIP) & TOM REANEY (ANN)

RECENTLY DEPARTED: We pray for all those who have died recently.

DEAD ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for all who died around this time.

SUNDAY MASS 6pm (Saturday Vigil), 10.00am (Family) & 12 Noon (Solemn). 5pm (Portuguese).

OTHER MASS TIMES Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 12 Noon Wednesday and Thursday at 9.30am

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION As Announced.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Fridays: 12.30pm-1pm and Saturday: 5.15-5.45pm

					5:15pm	Evening Prayer of the Church
G	Sunday	27th July	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil	6.00 pm	John Blachfield (RIP)
					10.00 am	Conceicao Pereira (RIP)
					12 Noon	People of the Parish
G	Monday	28th July	Feria		12 Noon	Michael Costello (ANN)
w	Tuesday	29th July	Saint Martha, Mary and Lazarus		12 Noon	Richard & Margaret Costello (RIP)
G	Wednesday	30th July	Feria		9:30 am	Fr. David Barnes (RIP)
w	Thursday	31st July	Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest		09:30 am	Angela Bosah (INT)
w	Friday abstinence	1st August	Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church		12 Noon	Frank Costello (INT)
G	Saturday	2nd August	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil	6:00 pm	Barry Dunglinson (RIP)