Prayer for Peace in the Middle East and Ukraine

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour out your power upon all your children in the Middle East. Let hatred be turned to love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation. Grant that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces and peace and justice be experienced by all. Amen

Gracious Mary, Mother of God and Our Lady of Kiev, we humbly ask for you to intercede for the people of Ukraine, for the people, their government, and all who suffer because of war. Be with them as you stood besides you son at Calvery. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. Grant, through your prayers, that peace may come to that troubled land. Amen



Plate Collection/Offering at Our Lady's last Week

Last Sunday's Loose Plate collection: £221.00 Retiring Collection May God reward and bless you.

FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

We pray for the sick of our parish both at home, in hospital and in care homes: Joan Dykes, Ann Orchard, Teresa Gross and Barbara (Floss) Preedy, Sandi Bray. We pray for those who have died, Robin David, Adrian Quinn, Kathleen Keeler, Slawomir Gabrhlewicz-Gorbaslewicz (Slav) and all those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH – Every Saturday morning (10.00am), we have Exposition and Benediction for the intentions of growing our parish and reaching out to those who need our prayers. There is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Penance (Confessions). This is followed by the Mass at 11.00am. If you cannot be there in person, join us on the live stream. (see the parish website)

MASS INTENTION

If you would like a Mass to be said for your intention, there are envelopes available at the back of church for you to use. Holy Mass makes present the mystery of the Lord's death and resurrection. There is no greater prayer than the Mass, since it is the most perfect offering we can make to God. In offering Mass for a specific intention, we are asking that the fruits of Christ's redemptive power may be applied to the requested intention. The offering you make also helps support the clergy. I will try my best to accommodate your request however, if the date given is not available, the nearest possible date will be given. Please give a contact number so that I can ring you if need be.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR JULY

For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

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	Apostles	6.30pm	Slawomir Gabrhlewicz-Gorbaslewicz
Monday, 30th June	Martyrs of Rome	9.30am	Gerard Flint RIP
Tuesday, 1st July	Feria	9.30am	For Family
Wed, 2nd July	No Mass	No Mass	Mass at Belmont Abbey & SFX
Thurs 3rd July	St Thomas	6.30pm	John Young RIP
Friday, 4th July	Feria	9.30am	Samantha Ma
Saturday, 5th July Memorial of Our Lady	Memorial of Our	10-10.50am	Adoration and Confessions
	11:00am	Pro Populo	
14 th Sunday of		10:00am	Anthea Jarvis
Ordinary Time		6.30pm	For Peace

Reminder for your Diary

On **Sunday 13th July**, in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass we are holding our Summer 'shared table' event. We want to make this event one that represents all the different communities that worship at Our Lady's. It would be wonderful if people could bring 'different food from different places.' So please bring a dish to share and let us enjoy each other's company coming together from our many nations and languages to praise the wonder of God's love. There will be Pimm's, strawberries and cream and who knows Fr. Andrew might be persuaded to cook his favourite dish, black pudding.



Longworth Catholic Chapel

We are very fortunate and grateful that His Grace Archbishop Mark O'Toole will be coming to celebrate Holy Mass in Longworth Chapel on Thursday 24th July at 11.00 am. The Chapel is on the road leading to St. Michael's Hospice, Bartestree. All are welcome

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Sick and Housebound

If you are sick or housebound and would appreciate a visit, then please let me know. Don't assume that I do already the chances are that I am in blissful ignorance. This also applies to those who are in a care home.

Second Collection: Peter's Pence

This weeks voluntary second collection (29th June) is the traditional one for **Peter's Pence** which goes towards the church's charitable endeavours.

Apostleship of the Sea

The next voluntary second collection (14th July) is the traditional one for the **apostleship of the sea** when the church prays and supports all those who live and work on the sea.

PPC Nominations

The nominations for the Parish Advisory Council are still open so please take this opportunity to vote for those who you believe will represent your views and will glorify God by their lives and actions. Nominations will close on Sunday June 29th and the results announced soon after. The advisory council is a very important part of our parish life so please take this opportunity to vote.

Father Andrew

Thank you



A big thank you for all those who took part in our Corpus Christi procession last Sunday. It was a joyful occasion and great to celebrate together the great gift of

the Eucharist. I especially want to thank Chris and his team of altar servers who led the procession it's a tough job, but someone has to do it. Next year I hope we can go further round the streets of the parish and who knows we might even have a band to accompany us.



Piety Shop

Don't forget that we have a well-stocked piety stall at the back of church so please have a look. Available are children's books, indoor and outdoor candles, Missals, First Holy Communion, Confirmation cards and gifts. Plus a variety of cards for other occasions and much more!! Come and have a look on what is on offer, you might be

surprised. If we don't have what you are looking for please ask, we might be able to get it for you

Spiritual Reflection

Most of us are inclined to forget God and His providence when things are going well. We feel we don't need Him and, in fact, we feel that God will only get in the way of our success. Yet without God we are nothing and we have nothing. God gives us every good gift and pours himself out upon us in an act of complete self-giving. How often do we give thanks when life is good, when we are in good health, when our home lives and our relationships are going well.



How often do we give thanks for all the many good gifts we receive daily at his hand. God loves us passionately, let us always give him thanks and praise, in good times and in bad, for everything he gives to us. Let us return love for love and never forget all his blessings.