

Twenty-Seventh Sunday

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Parish Mass Book page 137 for the Readings.

Response to the Intercessions:

Firmly in your love.

Prayer to Our Lady:

Hail Mary

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Readings next Sunday:

Isaiah 25: 6-10
Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Matthew 22: 1-14

Second Collection this week and next:

Is for the Church Maintenance Fund:

Thank you from CAFOD

Thank you for your generous support to CAFOD's Harvest Fast on 24 September. Our parish raised **£644.59** which will mean more farmers around the world will be able to support their families, now and in the future. Please continue to pray for them and CAFOD's work with the most vulnerable communities across the world.

Dates for your Diary

5 Nov- Annual Cemetery Mass

11 Nov- Annual Day of Recollection

18 Nov- Parish Autumn Fair

Mass Request

To request a Mass, please use a Mass request envelope available in the Narthex. When a specific date is requested please leave your contact number to receive confirmation.

Precedence will be given to a funeral held on the day

One envelope per intention please

New Reader please:

If anyone is interested in becoming a reader at the **11am** Mass please contact the parish office. You will be asked to read one Sunday each month.

CONFIRMATION:

The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated here at St Matthew's every two years. Bishop Patrick Lynch will be conferring the Sacrament on Friday **27 April 2018.**

Open Day Reminder

**St Joseph's Junior ,
Infant & Nursery
9am– 10am
Thurs 12 October**

Housecalls Sun 15 Oct

Mrs G Vickers, Mrs E Isamah
Mrs J Swain, Mr C Burford
Mrs A Greentree,

Readers Sun 15 Oct

Mrs P Abraham (Sat 6:30pm Mass)
Mrs A Doe (Sun 9am Mass)
MISS C Leonard (Sun 11am Mass)

Offertory Sun 15 Oct

Mrs P Burns (Sat 6:30pm Mass)
Giraldo Family (Sun 9am Mass)
Swain Family (Sun 11am Mass)

Church Cleaning Sat 14 Oct

Mrs E martin/ Mrs J Nweke

Flower Arranging 14 Oct

Mrs G Smith

Collection Counters

This Sunday 8 Oct

Mr C Burford, Mr J Remedios
Ms B Cunningham

Next Sun 15 Oct

Mr A Kelly, Mr S Swain

This week's teas and coffee will be served by:

Mrs E Sanders/Mrs M Schwarz

Next week's teas and coffee will be served by:

Saint Vincent de Paul Society

If you are unable to fulfil your duty then please arrange for a substitute.

Finance for 1 October 2017

First Collection	£
Gift Aid Envelope	57
Loose	396
84 Bankers Orders	460
Second Collection	190
Parish Total	£1103
Mass Attendance	378

As usual your generosity is always appreciated.

St. Matthew's Church Newsletter

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY

(YEAR A)

8 OCTOBER 2017


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Parish Priest : Fr. Anthony Cassidy

Confessions: Thurs 10:15-10:45, Sat 5.30-6:00pm & at call
Marriage and Baptism Preparation by appointment only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 10-11am

Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

Mass Times Saturday 6:30pm , Sunday 9 am & 11am

Morning Mass 9:30am (Tue, Wed Thurs & Fri)

From Father Anthony's Desk:

Several parishioners have commented recently on the need to do something to improve our Parish Hall and its amenities. There has been a proposal to renew the fixed seating. At the earliest, we cannot do anything until L'Arche have moved back to their own premises, which should take place soon.

However, I suggest that as a parish we need to discuss a more comprehensive review of the Hall and how we envisage its future. The area of West Norwood is being developed, and our premises could be much in demand as a venue for all sorts of occasions, not least because of our car parking facilities. We are all aware of the shortcomings of the Hall in terms of toilet facilities, safety issues, a generally unsatisfactory use of space and a lack of natural light. We have also been advised that sometime in the foreseeable future the flat roof will need major work.

In view of all this, there seems to be little point in spending money on patchwork improvements, when we need to decide exactly what we want to do with the Hall, so I shall be referring the matter to the Parish Community Hub so that they can initiate a suitable process of consultation and action.

New to the Parish?

We welcome you, please introduce yourself to one of us, and join the parish community for teas and coffee in the parish hall after the 11am Mass.

Parish Sick List

Michael ,Mrs Dorothy Nichol, Monsignor James O'Neill, Mrs Mary Wallace, Mrs Peggy Phillips, Fr. Anthony Bailey, Mr Patrick Heneghan, Mrs Maureen Sheehan, Mr Martin Fisher, Ms Shelagh Mc Donough ,

Please keep them in your prayers.

SCHOOLS

Primary to Secondary transfers

Open Mornings & Evenings

Bishop Thomas Grant School

Sixth Form 6:30pm–9:00pm Mon 16 October

St Philomena's

Sixth Form 5:30pm–8:00pm Tue 10 October

For full details of Headteacher's talks and tours, see posters on the notice board in the narthex.

AUTUMN FAIR RAFFLE TICKETS: These are available on the two tables at the back of the church and on the radiator sills. Please do your best to sell as many as you can and return the cash and counterfoil to the parish. **A book of 5 tickets cost £2.50.**