# **SACRED HEART OF JESUS - NEWSLETTER**

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Saturday **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

24th July 4.30pm Confession

5pm Catherine Mazera R.I.P.

Sunday 25th July 9.30am Wellbeing of Jasmine Safa

Sunday 25th July 11am People of the Parish

12 Noon Baptism – Ellie Stamp

2pm Parish BBQ

Monday 26th July **NO MASS**

Tuesday 27th July 6pm Natalia & Vitaliana Bondoc R.I.P.

Wednesday 28th July 10am Neb & Gaspar Bondoc R.I.P.

Thursday 29th July 10am Hilda Heyes R.I.P.

Friday 30th July 10am Bill & Nancy Quirke R.I.P.

Followed by Adoration & Chaplet of the Precious Blood

Saturday **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

31st July 4.30pm Confession

5pm Angelo de Palma R.I.P.

Sunday 1st August 9am People of the Parish

**Please remember to book your place at Mass by emailing the office at sittingbourne@rcaos.org.uk or phoning on Fridays 9am-3pm**

Parish News

**\*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT AUGUST MASSES \*\*\***

**As Fr Graziano will be on leave throughout August, there will be no weekday Mass and at the weekends starting from Sunday 1st August Mass will be at 9am only on Sundays, and 5pm on Saturdays.**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* SO THAT IS ONE MASS ONLY ON A SUNDAY AT 9AM \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***

**Please note, during August the Parish Office will be closed to personal callers, please telephone and leave a message or send an email, both of which will be answered as soon as possible. Thank you.**

**THOSE ATTENDING THE BBQ, PLEASE NOTE THAT CAR PARKING WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE ON A LIMITED BASIS TO THOSE WITH MOBILITY ISSUES AS A PROPORTION OF THE CAR PARK WILL BE REQUIRED TO SET OUT THE TABLES AND THE BBQ COOKING AREA. Thank You.**

**First Holy Communion**

**If you have not already done so, and you wish for your child to participate in the First Holy Communion preparation classes, then please register their name , dob, school year group and your contact details by email with the Parish Office.** [**sittingbourne@rcaos.org.uk**](mailto:sittingbourne@rcaos.org.uk)

**COVID-19 MEASURES – PLEASE NOTE THAT MOST MEASURES REMAIN IN PLACE: UPDATED AS OF 16/7/2021**

* Booking for weekend Masses is still required before attending Mass by email or calling the Parish Office (Monday, Wednesday, 9am - 1pm, Friday 9am - 3pm) providing full name, contact number and email/home address. This is to follow the NHS “Track and Trace” system imposed by the Government
* Body temperature check with the help of a steward
* Proper wearing of face coverings is now personal choice, but it is strongly recommended that you continue to wear your face covering.
* Using the “ONE WAY SYSTEM” entering the main front door and leaving by the side door of the church
* Congregational singing will return in September
* Sign of the peace is omitted
* Children are not allowed to wander around the church for their own protection and other people’s safety
* Votive candles are available
* The congregation is invited to leave immediately after the Holy Mass allowing the stewards to sanitize the church
* Following the Social Distancing rule of 1 metre or more, we can now accomodate 86 people. (The seating areas have green signage). Please follow the guidance of the stewards.
* We have reintroduced bidding prayers
* The Offertory Procession is reintroduced with those involved sanitising their hands immediately before they touch the sacred vessel or other gifts
* The Holy Communion will continue to be under one kind and the Minister will continue to wear a face covering and it is permitted to announce “the Body of Christ” for each communicant. Communion is recommended to be distributed in the hands, but if people wish to receive on the tongue, then they should wait until the end of the communion line and receive then. Communion on the tongue exposes the ministers’ hands to their aerosol and inccreases the possibility of viral infections. He will have to sanitize his hands again immediately after.

# **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B**

### 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.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**C.** The Lord be with you

**All. And with your Spirit**

**All: I confess to almighty God**

**And you my brothers and sisters,**

**That I have greatly sinned,**

**In my thoughts and in my words,**

**In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,**

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Christ have mercy**. All:** **Christ have mercy.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**All: Glory to God in the highest**

**And on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you,**

**We bless you,**

**We adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,**

**You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;**

**You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**Have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**With the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen**

**C:** Let us pray.

**First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44**

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear.’ ‘Give it to the people to eat’, Elisha said. But his servant replied, ‘How can I serve this to a hundred men?’ ‘Give it to the people to eat’ he insisted ‘for the Lord says this, “They will eat and have some left over.”’ He served them; they ate and had some left over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord.

**Psalm: 144(145):10-11,15-18**

**Response: *You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.***

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,

and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign

and declare your might, O God. ***R#***

The eyes of all creatures look to you

and you give them their food in due time.

You open wide your hand,

grant the desires of all who live. ***R#***

The Lord is just in all his ways

and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him,

who call on him from their hearts. ***R#***

**Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-6**

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;

you have the message of eternal life.

**Alleluia!**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ….

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel John 6:1-15**

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover. Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, ‘Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?’ He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, ‘Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.’ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said, ‘There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?’ Jesus said to them, ‘Make the people sit down.’ There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, ‘Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.’ So they picked them up and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, ‘This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.’ Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Liturgy of the Eucharist:**

C: Pray, brethren….

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of his name**

**for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**C**: The Lord be with you **All:** **and with your Spirit**

**C**: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: it is right and just.**

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord’s Prayer: Our** **Father**…

**C:** ……. And the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**C:** Behold the Lamb of God…….

**All: Lord, I am not worthy**

**that you should enter under my roof,**

**but only say the word**

**and my soul shall be healed.**

**Communion Antiphon: Ps. 102:2**

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

**OR**

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. **Mt. 5:7-8**

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.

**C:** Let us Pray……….

**C:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

C:May Almighty God bless you,

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**Priest:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**