## **OUR LADY OF GILLINGHAM**



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## Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark CIO, registered charity 1173050

8 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year A					
Readers this week :6.30pm Josmy Manuel/Betty Sequiera		9:30am Edeji Family Paul Nwach	11:30am ukwu/u/Ugochi Ihuoma		
Reading 1	Isa 5:1-7	The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.			
Psalm	Ps 79:9. 12-16, 19-20 r. Is 5:7	The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.			
Reading 2	Phil 4:6-9	The God of peace will be with you.			
Gospel Acclamation	John 15:15	I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.			
Gospel	Matt 21:33-43	He will lease the vineyard to other tenants.			
Readers next week: 6.30pm Ugoche Uche/Augustine Eghomare		9.30am	11.30am Eke Nnenna Nweje/Seraphin Borces		

- ▶ Please pray for May Woodward† and those who have recently died and for all the following whose anniversaries occur about this time:
- ₩ William Moran, Josephine Banerji, Joseph Zammit, Jose Fernandes, Edward Florey, Alessandro Tizzano, Pier Cappelletti, Maria Fantetti, David Mooney, Leslie Groombridge, John Moore, James Carroll, Gaetano Marinellii & Michael Foster
- May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

	MASS IN	TENTIONS
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> October Vigil N	<b>lass</b> 6.30pm	Christine Barton's wellbeing
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	9.30am	
		Bob Ritier's intentions
	11.30am	Pro Populo
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> St John Henry Ne	ewman 10.00am	Repose of the soul of Bryony Walker &
		Joseph Cottam's birtjhday
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feria		Repose of the soul of Cenney Cannavina
Wednesday 11th Pope St John XIII	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Joe Fernandes
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> St Wilfred	10.00am	Jo Firth's intentions
Friday13 <sup>th</sup> St Edward the Cor	nfessor 10.00am	Intentions of Gilliam Knight & Beryl
	7.30pm	Repose of the soul of Violet Smith
Saturday 14th Our Lady	10am	Repose of the souls of Fred & Freda King
Vigil N	<b>lass</b> 6.30pm	Pro Populo

Collections The collection in church last week amounted to £794.84 of which £110.05 was Gift Aided and Football parking amounted to £275.00. Thank you.

## **PARISH NOTICES**

**TODAY 8**<sup>th</sup> **October** is a Day of prayer for prisoners and their families. It is also the last of four Mass counts..

October Devotions of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by praying the rosary every day. The time for reciting the rosary here at the Church is 9.30 am.

**The Month of October** should be considered in all countries as the month of **the World Mission**. The Penultimate Sunday, the day proclaimed, '**World Mission Sunday**', is the high point. That day will be celebrated in all the local churches as a feast of catholicity and universal solidarity. On that day Christians the world over will recognise their common responsibility about the evangelisation of the World.

LAST FRIDAY WAS CAFOD'S HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY. Please put your donation in an envelope from the back of the church

This Harvest Day collection will go towards helping families get expert help from Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic after disasters like floods occur.

**SAFEGUARDING** – We would like to remind parents/carers that young children must be accompanied by an adult should they need to leave the church for any reason. It is your responsibility to keep them safe while on church premises.

**CONFIRMATION** – The meetings for the candidates for **2023 Confirmation** have commenced every Tuesday evening at 6.30 pm in the Parish Hall. For further information see Deacon Michael Knight after mass.

**HOLY COMMUNION** – We are now accepting application for the programme starting in January 2024. Regular Mass attendance is a must to join the programme. The forms are only available at church. Deadline for accepting application is **31 October 2023**. **Any applications after this date will be considered for next programme in 2025**. For further information contact Pennie Clarke or use gillinghamfhc@rcaos.org.uk

**THANKS** for the safe return of Fr Dennis from his pilgrimage to Lourdes. We hope he and his fellow pilgrims had a holy and fruitful week

**BAPTISMS** – Parents who wish to have their children baptised should see Deacon Michael after one of the Sunday Masses.

**MASS AT THE HOSPITAL** – There is mass every Sunday at Medway hospital chapel, at 2 pm especially for the staff, the patients, and the visitors.

**SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE** – We really appreciate the Sunday Mass attendance. However, we need to plan how to accommodate all our worshippers in a safe environment. We hope to organise a meeting for parishioners to discuss the most convenient time for an extra Sunday Mass.

**INVITATION:** Guest talk by Msgr. Dr. Michael Nazir-Ali Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October -The Catholic men's group at St John Fisher parish, Rochester, invites men of the parish to come along for Eucharistic adoration, dinner, and a guest talk by Msgr. Dr. Michael Nazir-Ali. He is the former Anglican bishop of Rochester and converted to the Catholic Faith in 2021. He has lectured at a number of universities around the world and authored many books. He will speak about his new book on the mission and ministry of the Church, in the context of the Synod on Synodality taking place at the Vatican. Starts 7.30pm with adoration in church, followed by dinner, talk and discussion in the hall. Parking is available outside. No cost to attend.

**SYNOD** – Please keep in your prayers Pope Francis and all those who are attending the Synod in Rome which will continue until the end of October.