

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

14th & 15th August 2021



St Joseph's Catholic Church SHOOTERS HILL

The week ahead

Saturday 14 th	6:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 15 th	10:15am 12 noon	Sunday Mass } Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Monday 16 th	10am	Mass
Tuesday 17 th	10am	Mass
Wednesday 18 th	10am	Mass
Thursday 19 th	10am	Mass
Friday 20 th	10am	Mass
Saturday 21 st	6:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 22 nd	10:15am 12 noon	Sunday Mass } 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions:

Fr Seba is available to hear confessions. Please call the Parish office (020 3105 8577) to book your appointment.



Prayer to St Joseph:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son;

In you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

For St. John, it is Jesus' mother, Mary, who encourages Jesus to perform his first miraculous sign. The story has touches of comedy. Jesus turns up at a wedding feast in Cana with all his disciples, perhaps causing a few catering anxieties for the organisers.

Jesus' mother spots that they are running out of wine. No wonder! The initial exchange between mother and son is that of a mother dealing with a reluctant teenager. Like all good mothers, Mary ignores her son's response and tells the servants to follow his instructions.

Jesus creates the equivalent of nine hundred bottles of choice wine. The ordinary has become the extraordinary, the water into wine, a sign of what is to come. Mary is there at the heart of this transformation, just as she will be at the foot of the cross with the beloved disciple. She is now joined with her son in the fullness of his glory.



ORDINARY AND EXTRAORDINARY
By Fr. John Guest

Information

Liturgy:

First Reading: - *Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10*

Responsorial Psalm: - *Ps 44(45):10-12, 16 – On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold*

Second Reading: - *1 Corinthians 15:20-26*

Gospel Acclamation: - *Mary has been taken up to heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.*

Gospel: - *Luke 1:39-56*

Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
of the Father.
Through Him all things were made.

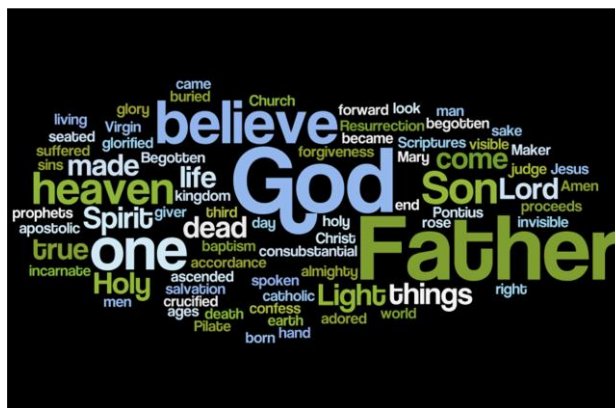
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and
glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Information

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Programme 2022

Registration for our First Holy Communion is now open. Children should be in Year 3, or above, at school. At this age, children should understand the difference between right and wrong and can take responsibility for their own actions.

It is important that children are properly prepared. By making their First Confession prior to receiving First Holy Communion they are fully prepared for this. First Holy Communion should be a memorable and joyful day. One to remember for the rest of our lives.

To register, please complete the online form on our website: –
<https://www.stjoseph-shootershillrcaos.org.uk/first-holy-communion>

Please enter all the information requested. Please also have a digital copy of your child's Catholic Baptism Certificate ready (a scanned copy or a photograph). It is part of the registration, and you will need to upload it before submitting the form. If you have any questions, please email shootershillwebsite@rcaos.org.uk.

We will be organising an information meeting to explain to parents how the programme will be run and the expectations of parents and children. We will email out details nearer the time.

Young Readers

There will be a meeting/rehearsal for all young readers, both current and new, on Saturday 21st **OR** Saturday 28th August in the Church at 4pm.

All young people are invited to attend whether you have or haven't read in Church before.

You will be incorporated in the Readers Rota and asked if you would read regularly at Saturday Vigil or Sunday morning Mass.

It is a great privilege to proclaim the word of God at any time, but to be a part of our Masses is indeed a great honour.

This new procedure is in place until Sandra can take the lead of the young readers again.

Please keep Sandra, Nigel and their family in your prayers at this difficult time for them all.

Please call Mary D on 07985 360960 should you require any further information.

Saint of the day

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Patron Saint of France and Lebanon

The Assumption of Mary into heaven is a logical consequence of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception. Because Mary was born without original sin, she did not suffer its consequences, among which is death. Because she was a kind of Ark of the New Covenant, carrying the Church in the person of Christ, God preserved her from sin and wanted her in His presence when her time on earth ceased. No saint has ever enjoyed such a privilege because no saint ever had the relationship with Christ that Mary enjoyed.

Sometimes it's hard to appreciate the beauty and majesty of a massive landscape without a person to give it scale. How high is that waterfall? How tall is that mountain peak? How far is that shore? Place a person in the field of vision and suddenly the image makes more sense. God fills every scene with his majesty. He is almost too much to take in. But Mary gives God scale and perspective. She humanizes the view. Mary is always there in the foreground, showing the faithful how to approach God and render Him due honour.

Liturgical Colour: White

General Information

Sick, Housebound, Anniversaries and Funeral Services

Please continue to keep the sick of our parish family in your daily prayers. We continue to remember those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention, please write your intention down with all the details, together with the Mass stipend, and put it through the Presbytery door. Alternatively, you can contact the parish office on 020 3105 8577 or email shootershill@rcaos.org.uk – Mass intention envelopes are available at the back of our church.

Reminder – safeguarding

Adults are reminded that children should not be running around in Church at any time. Not only for their safety, but the church is a sacred space, not a playground and so should be treated as such. Also, we ask that all children are encouraged to use the toilet at home before they attend Mass. If children do need to use the toilet, please ensure that they are accompanied by an adult at an appropriate time. NOT during the readings, the homily and the consecration. **No child should go to the toilet alone.**

Collections

8 th August 2021	
First Collection	£368.60
Esther's 10K	£220
Second Collection (Hall Fund - Separate)	£91.38
Total	£679.98

If you cannot attend mass, please visit our [website](#), and click the **Donate** button, or scan the code with your phone, which will take you to our website (all details below). If you are a taxpayer, please remember to tick the 'Gift Aid' box. God bless Ave Maria



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HOLY MICHAEL PRAYER



St Michael the Archangel. Defend us in the day of our battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell satan, and all the evil spirits who wander around the world seeking the ruins of souls.



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