



# Ordariate and Parish Church

## MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark  
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19th January 2020

**In the gospel reading today**, we hear that Christ is the light of the Nations. The spirit of God rested on Christ when he was baptised by John the Baptist. Through the giving of the Spirit John recognises Christ as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. We too through the gift of the Holy Spirit are to become the light of the world proclaiming salvation to the ends of the earth.



**Green is the Liturgical Colour** today, as we return to *Ordinary Time* after the Christmas Season. Easter is late this year, but it won't be long before Green turn to Purple and Lent begins!

**The Week of Prayer for Christian** began yesterday. Please add this import intention to your daily prayers this week: for the Visible Unity of the Church, that we may be One Eucharistic Family with One Pastor. "Father may they be one, so the world might believe..."

**White Flower Appeal** is today. There will be a retiring collection. There is some literature at the back of Church on their work.

**Headteacher** sought for St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School, Mortlake, Info at [st-marymagdalens.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:st-marymagdalens.richmond.sch.uk)

**The Candles**, to be blessed at Candlemas have gone like hot-cakes. Please sign and return the envelope asap. Only a few left.

**Visit the Blessed Sacrament.** The Church is open each day and the Lord waits for you. Come and be with him for a short while.

**Evensong** and Ordinariate Use Mass on Thursday each week, 6pm & 6.30pm

**Giulia Gibson** is extended a warm welcome today to MPB, but more importantly, to the Catholic Church, as she is to be baptised. Welcome too, to her family and friends.

**Sunday School** meets each Sunday during term time for children of primary school age. There is a small bank of teachers who encourage our young folk in the Catholic Faith. Would you like to train as a leader?

**This Newsletter** is emailed each week. If you don't receive it by email each week sign up at [preciousblood.org.uk/signup](http://preciousblood.org.uk/signup)

**Facebook and Twitter** users can follow the parish Twitter and Facebook profiles by following the link on the website.

**Take home** this sheet and the Mass sheet too. They are produced each week for you. Or if you are reading this on-line forward it to others who might be interested.

**Keeping the Eucharistic Fast!** The Church asks us not to eat or drink anything for one hour before receiving Holy Communion. Do you keep the fast? It's the simplest way of preparing to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament— an hour!

**So, what's the date of your Baptism?** FrC asked if everyone knew the date they became Christians. Find it out, and celebrate it.

Founded: 1891

Constructed: 1892

Consecrated: 1st July 2019



# KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON IT'S ORDINARY TIME

## Why Is Ordinary Time Called Ordinary?

Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word *ordinalis*, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word *ordo*, from which we get the English word order. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more penance (as in Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

It's appropriate, therefore, that the Gospel for the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time today (which is actually the first Sunday celebrated in Ordinary Time) always features John the Baptist's acknowledgment of Christ as the Lamb of God. It's also linked to the Christ's first miracle—the transformation of water into wine at the wedding at Cana.

Thus for Catholics, Ordinary Time is the part of the year in which Christ, the Lamb of God, walks among us and transforms our lives. There's nothing "ordinary" about that!

## Why Is Green the Colour of Ordinary Time?

Likewise, the normal liturgical colour for Ordinary Time - for those days when there is no special feast - is green. Green vestments and altar cloths have traditionally been associated with the time after Pentecost, the period in which the Church founded by the risen Christ and enlivened by the Holy Spirit began to grow and to spread the Gospel to all nations.

## When Is Ordinary Time?

Ordinary Time refers to all of those parts of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that aren't included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Ordinary Time thus encompasses two different periods in the Church's calendar, since the Christmas season immediately follows Advent, and the Easter season immediately follows Lent.

The Church year begins with Advent, followed immediately by the Christmas season. Ordinary Time begins on last Monday, the Monday after the first Sunday after January 6, the traditional date of the Feast of the Epiphany and the end of the liturgical season of Christmas. This first period of Ordinary Time runs until Ash Wednesday when the liturgical season of Lent begins. Both Lent and the Easter season fall outside of Ordinary Time, which resumes again on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday, the end of the Easter season. This second period of Ordinary Time runs until the First Sunday of Advent when the liturgical year begins again.

## Why Is There No First Sunday in Ordinary Time?

In most years, the Sunday after January 6 is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In some countries, however, where the celebration of Epiphany is transferred to Sunday if that Sunday is January 7 or 8, Epiphany is celebrated instead. As feasts of our Lord, both the Baptism of the Lord and Epiphany displace a Sunday in Ordinary Time. Thus the first Sunday in the period of Ordinary Time is the Sunday that falls after the first week of Ordinary Time, which makes it the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time.

## How Many Sundays Are There in Ordinary Time?

In any given year, there are either 33 or 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time. Because Easter is a moveable feast, and thus the Lent and Easter seasons "float" from year to year, the number of Sundays in each period of Ordinary Time vary from the other period as well as from year to year.

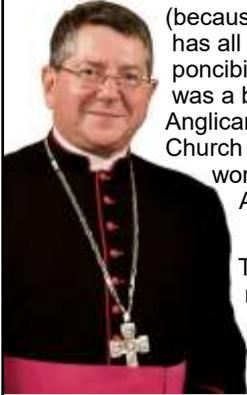
Although today is the 'Second Sunday in Ordinary Time', it is in fact, the first.

**Francis our Pope, John our Bishop and Keith our Ordinary.** We hear this petition at every Mass here at MPB. These three: Francis, John and Keith, are all leaders of the Church so we bring them before God at the centre of the Mass, during the Eucharistic Prayer.

Archbishop John Wilson was installed in July 2019, so it's still early days for him in his care of the Church in South-wark. He was auxiliary in Westminster and before that in Leeds although he comes from south Yorkshire.

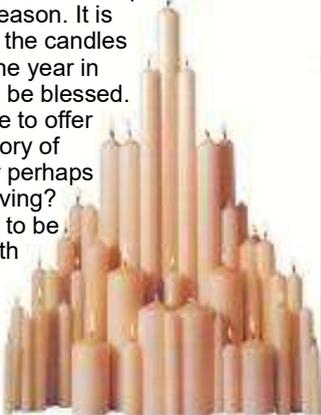


Monsignor Keith Newton is the Ordinary of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. He not a bishop (because he is married) but has all the rights and responsibilities of a bishop. He was a bishop though in the Anglican Communion in the Church of England. He has worked in Essex, Bristol Africa and South London.



They both have great responsibilities so, please support them and keep them in your prayers.

**Candlemas**, 2nd February, a Sunday this year, is the when we celebrate the Presentation of Christ in the Temple which closes the Nativity Season. It is the day when the candles used during the year in Church are to be blessed. Would you like to offer some in memory of someone? Or perhaps for a thanksgiving? or maybe just to be associated with that devotion, like Our Lady or St John Henry? Sign up today



## CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

*Cities of London  
and Westminster*

**Candlemas**, Sunday 2nd February 2nd, Along the Thames river to Tower of London. Meet 3.30pm, MPB

**Westminster**, Tuesday 9th February Parliament, the Abbey, and more. Meet 3.30pm steps of Westminster Cath

**Newman**, Friday 21st February to mark the Birthday of St JHN Meet 5pm MPB. Walk to Newman's birth-place near the Bank of England.

**London Bridge** Saturday 22nd Feb Viking Battles and the City of London Meet 2pm OL of La Salette, Melior St, SE1

*Tip: sensible shoes, suggested donation £10*

### Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham

Open meetings to discuss aspects of the Catholic Church at

**St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Ham,  
Tuesday 28th January 2020, 7.30pm**

**Canon Tim Marwood**  
(from St Peter's CofE Church Petersham)

will speak about

**The Future of Christian Unity**  
And his own experiences.

Mass in the Ordinariate Use 7pm  
for anyone who would like to come

***A meal and refreshments will be served***

*Travel - St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Ham, Ham Street, Richmond TW10 7HT rain to Richmond Station: District Line or South West trains from Waterloo. Then get bus - 371 to Ham Street or 65 to Ham Gate Avenue*

***All are welcome.***

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## This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
<b>Today</b> <b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30am <b>11.00am</b>	Fr Michael Carey <i>foundation</i> Parishioners
Mon 20th ( <i>Pope St Fabian</i> )	1.05pm	Preciousa Godinha ✕
Tues 21st <i>St Agnes</i>	1.05pm	Preciousa Godinha ✕
Wed 22nd ( <i>St Vincent</i> )	1.05pm	Preciousa Godinha ✕
Thurs 23rd <i>feria</i>	1.05pm 6.30pm	Preciousa Godinha ✕ John Klyberg priest ✕ <i>recently</i>
Fri 24th <i>St Francis de Sales</i>	1.05pm	Preciousa Godinha ✕
Sat 25th <i>Conversation of St Paul</i>		
<b>Next Sunday</b> <b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30am <b>11.00am</b>	Mary Ann Mills <i>foundation</i> Parishioners

**Next Week's Readings** Isaiah 49:3.5-6 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 John 1:29-34

**Sacrament of Confession.** Sunday 10.30-10.50; Mon-Fri 12.30-12.55

**Evensong** 6pm Thursday during term time.

**Last week:** £1,513.68 inc Standing Orders and Cashless Card payments  
£1,108.59 Christmas offering for the clergy in total  
£132.56 Crib Offering on total

**Safeguarding.** The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Kate Pope, Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 0800 0935063

**Holy Father's Intention for January** *Evangelisation* - Promotion of World Peace  
We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

### For your prayers:

*Those in formation* for Ministry, Br Philip novOP (Jeff Gerlomes)

*The Sick & Housebound:* Dora, Mary, Ada, Fr John, Geoffrey, Mark, Christopher, David

*Recently Departed:* Graham Francis, Anthony Stark *priest*, John Klyberg *priest*

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