



# Ordinariate 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*



## 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12th July 2020

**In the gospel reading today**, we hear that God does nothing in vain. All our suffering has a meaning and through it we are so deepened in our spiritual lives that we yield a rich harvest. The world longs for the Spirit of Christ to come and set us free from clinging to the things of this world. The seed of faith must grow in our lives.



**Sunday Mass obligation** is still suspended, so Catholics don't have to attend Mass. If you are thinking about coming Mass on Sunday, please think twice. Be considerate, especially towards others who are still vulnerable.

**If you attend Mass** on Sunday, there will be procedures you must follow. Mass will be at 11am. Registration is required.

### When you arrive for Mass:

- ✘ Check-in
- ✘ Sanitise your hands
- ✘ Follow the one-way system
- ✘ Give your *Collection* on the way in
- ✘ Use the marked seats
- ✘ Keep 2m distance at all times
- ✘ Do not touch anyone or anything
- ✘ Keep a low voice, nothing will be sung
- ✘ Follow instructions
- ✘ Leave by side door (front right)
- ✘ Sanitise hands on exit
- ✘ Do not gather after Mass
- ✘ Toilets will not be available

**School Mass** for end of term on Thursday this week. It will be lived-streamed from MPB to the children in St Joseph's and those at home. 1.05pm, watch if you can.

**Stewards.** Thank you to those who Stewarded last week, and those who have signed up. Guidelines dictate that there must be two stewards on duty whenever the Church is open, esp for Mass.

### Mass with or without a congregation?

Advice is that it is better to ease lock-down sustainably, than do too much and have to draw back. So we will maintain Mass on Sunday at 11am with a congregation, and all other celebration will be on-line only.

**Access to Mass** at 11am each Sunday is 20mins before to avoid pro-longed contact.

**Day off.** From this week there will be no Mass at MBP on Monday.

**August is approaching.** We tried last year to have a holiday. This year, despite all things, will be the same ie public Mass only on Sundays in August.

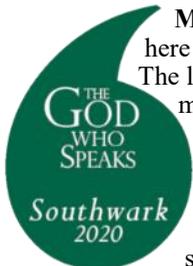
**Confessions** are now possible. This only by appointment, as are Baptisms and Marriages.

**St Joseph's School** has a few vacancies for Nursery Places in September this year.

**Check on friends** and neighbours, if they need help. Fiona is still the 'go to' person.

**Mass will continue on-line** here at MPB at our usual times. The live-stream goes 'live' 10 mins before each Liturgy for those who cannot and should not return just yet.

**Take full part** in the Mass on-line: stand, sit, kneel, speak with the others.





**Our Lady of Mount Carmel** is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order. The first Carmelites were Christian hermits living on Mount Carmel in the Holy Land during the late 12th and early to mid-13th century. They built in the midst of their hermitages a chapel which they dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, whom they called the "Lady of the place."

Since the 15th century, popular devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel has centred on the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, also known as the Brown Scapular. Traditionally, Mary is said to have given the Scapular to St Simon Stock (1165-1265).

The feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel was probably first celebrated in England in the 14th century. Its object was thanksgiving to Mary, the patroness of the Carmelite Order, for the benefits she had accorded to it through its difficult early years. The institution of the feast may have come in the wake of the vindication of their title "Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary" at Cambridge, England, in 1374.

The Carmelite Order was the only religious order to be started in the Crusader States. In the 13th century, some of its people migrated west to England, setting up a chapter and being documented there about 1241–1242. A tradition first attested to in the late 14th century says that St Simon Stock, believed to be an early English prior general of the Carmelite Order soon after its migration to England, had a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary in which she gave him the Brown Scapular. This formed part of the Carmelite habit after 1287. In Stock's vision, Mary promised that those who died wearing the scapular would be saved. This is a devotional sacramental signi-

fying the wearer's consecration to Mary and affiliation with the Carmelite order. It symbolises her special protection and calls the wearer to consecrate themselves to her in a special way.

In 1642, a Carmelite named Fr. John Cheron published a document which he said was a 13th-century letter written by St Simon Stock's secretary, Peter Swannington. Since the early 20th century, some historians have argued that this letter was forged, likely by Cheron himself.

But Stock's vision was long embraced by many promoters of the scapular devotion. The *forged* Swannington letter claimed that 16 July 1251 was the date of the vision (16 July being the date of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel), which led for centuries to a strong association between this feast day and the scapular devotion. Based on historical documentation, the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel did not originally have a specific association with the Brown Scapular or the tradition of Stock's vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This tradition grew gradually, as did the cult of St Simon and has been documented in Bordeaux, where Stock died, from the year 1435; in Ireland and England, from 1458; and in the rest of the Order, from 1564. St Simon's skull is Carmelite priory in Aylesford and was placed there in 1951.

Also associated with Our Lady of Carmel was a papal bull saying that there was a Sabbatine privilege associated with devotion to the saint; that is, until the late 1970s, the Catholic liturgy for that day mentioned the scapular devotion. Vatican II resulted in scrutiny of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, as well as that of St Simon Stock. The liturgies were revised and on 29 Nov 1996 the Vatican said "Devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel is bound to the history and spiritual values of the Order of the Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel and is expressed through the scapular. Thus, whoever receives the scapular becomes a member of the order and pledges him/herself to live according to its spirituality in accordance with the characteristics of his/her state in life."

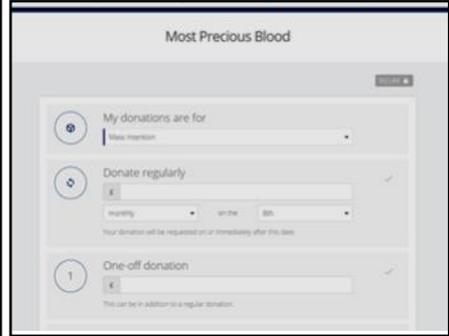
OL of Mt Carmel is celebrated on Thursday this week.

**O Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness** - Mass on Sunday at 11am

The faithful may attend Mass but registration is required either on-line or on arrival. There is a capacity of 30 people.



**Mass Intentions** can still be requested. Mass is offered every day. You will see on the schedule (next page) that there are lots of opportunities. In the old days we used an envelope like this, but now you can request Mass Intentions on the website. Select *Support Us*, or click the 'Donate' button, and chose the *Mass Intention* on the drop down menu.



# Nursery Spaces Available September 2020

## Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Are you looking for a Nursery space? Is your child 3 (or nearly 3) or 4 years old? We have full-time or part-time spaces available in our nursery for 3 and 4 year olds. Come and meet our highly qualified and caring team, see our beautiful indoor and outdoor spaces and learn about our approach to child-initiated learning.

Please contact the school office for more information

Telephone: 020 7407 2642



## This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
<b>This Sunday</b> <i>15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am	Parishioners
Mon 13th ( <i>St Henry</i> )		
Tues 14th ( <i>St Camillus of Lellis</i> )	1.05pm	JB's intention
Wed 15th <i>St Bonaventure</i>	1.05pm	Peter Sollis ✕ <i>recently</i>
Thur 16th ( <i>OL of Mt Carmel</i> )	1.05pm	St Joseph's School
Fri 17th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Brenda Lowe ✕
Sat 18th <i>of Our Lady</i>	10.00am	
<b>Next Sunday</b> <i>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am	Parishioners

**Next Week's Readings** Wisdom 12:13.16-19 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

**Sacrament of Confession.** By appointment and only in emergency

**Evensong** 4.00pm, Sunday & Benediction, *live-stream*  
6.30pm, Thursday *live-stream*

**Last week:** £1,080.00 Standing Orders and On-line payments

**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 July: Our Families** We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

**The Ordinariate weekly intercessions:** The Bath and Bristol Group & Fr David Pritchard, Dcn James Patrick and Fr John Morley-Bunker

### For your prayers:

*In formation:* for Ministry, Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes)

*Those who are Sick:* Dora, Mary, Mark, David, Rebecca, George, David  
And for all those with Coronavirus

*Coronavirus:* The medical profession, doctors, nurses, first responders, support-staff, research scientists, those who make big-impact decision,

*Recently Departed:* Christopher Tuckwell *priest*

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