



St Catherine of Siena

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### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reflection:** People often ask ‘how should I pray?’ ‘am I praying in the right way?’ ‘why should I pray?’.

In today’s Gospel we are encourage to pray with persistence. To have times when we pray, but also be spontaneous in prayer. Prayer brings an increase in faith, hope and love. The first gift of prayer is to know the love of God; because of this we never leave prayer the poorer. If we wonder if we are praying right, look for the fruits in our lives. Look for the generosity and love we see in our own families and community and try to continue live that way.

**Please Pray for the Sick:** *Yoland Rahim, Clement Akujiobi, P J Tunney, Veronica Ugo, Lily Rahim, Patrick O’Reilly, Trisha Weldon, John Curry, Pat Hillman, Clément, Trish, Teresa and Masie.*

**Please also pray those who have died recently and all the Souls of the faithful departed.**

Sat	27/07	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday	Mrs Christina O’Sullivan (RIP)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>28/07</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Bennie Collins (RIP)
Tue	30/07	6 pm	Feria	G.Rathnam
Wed	31/07	6 pm	Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola	G.Rathnam
Thurs	01/08	6 pm	Memorial of SAlphonsus Mary de’Ligouri	No Intention
Fri	02/08	6 pm	Feria	G.Rathnam
Sat	03/08	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday	Kathleen Tumelty (12 <sup>th</sup> Year Remembrance)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>04/08</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Michael McCrann (RIP)

#### Confessions and Rosary for the Month of July

Rosary in the Lady Chapel on weekdays Tuesday-Friday @ 5.30 pm before 6 pm mass and Sundays at 10:30 am. Confessions on Saturdays at 5 pm or on request.

#### Baptism preparation course

The next courses will be held on Friday; 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019 @ 7 pm in the Lady Chapel. Before attending the course please email the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com) for a form which you should complete and return.

#### Assumption Day

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of August is the feast day of Assumption and a Holy day of obligation. Please be encouraged to attend Mass wherever you are. Check the bulletin and the website for mass times in the parish.

#### Sacrament of Holy Communion preparation

Catholic children in Year 3 and above at Non-Catholic schools, who would like to prepare to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Reconciliation in 2020, please email your child’s details, including full name and date of birth to the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com).

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA)

Non-Catholics interested in preparing to become Catholic, please email the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com) for details about the RICA programme.

#### St Catherine’s Parish Lottery Club

Earlier this year we started a Lottery Club. So far we have sold 37 numbers; our aim is to sell at least 100 numbers! You can buy a number for £2 per month /£24 per year (Standing order only). 50 % of all income goes to the church, 25% to 1st number drawn, 15% to 2nd and 10% to 3rd. **Draws will be held on 18<sup>th</sup> Aug, 15<sup>th</sup> Sep, 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 17<sup>th</sup> Nov and 15<sup>th</sup> Dec** after Sunday Mass and winning numbers published in the next newsletter. There are still numbers available - Please contact the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com).

#### Winning numbers for 22nd July Lottry Draw

1st prize No 27, 2nd prize No 14, 3rd prize No 40. Winners have been contacted.

#### Mass Intentions

For Mass intentions please use the envelopes provided in Church. Each Mass is offered up for a particular person or prayer request. The Mass is the greatest collective prayer of the Church.

#### Gift Aid

If you are a tax payer and would like St. Catherine of Siena Church to receive Gift Aid on your donations please contact David Price on 07745610615.

If you have already signed up for Gift Aid and would like to make additional donations, please also contact David so that Gift Aid can be claimed on your additional donations. Thank you.

#### Intercultural Mass

We are all invited to this year’s Intercultural Mass to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2019. Mass will be in our church @ 12 pm. Please save the date and Let’s celebrate!!

Collection Date	Cash	Envelopes	Total
15/16/June/2019	£ 178.71	£ 43.00	£ 214.71
22/23/June/2019	£ 169.70	£ 233.00	£ 192.70
29/30/June/2019	£ 259.96	£ 13.00	£ 272.96
06/07/July/2019	£ 227.66	£ 83.00	£ 310.66
13/14/July/2019	£ 160.66	£ 43.00	£ 203.66

#### Church Repairs and Conference Centre

We need to raise approximately £50,000 over 5 years to cover the cost of essential Church repairs and a new Conference Centre with Kitchen.

Need	Cost
Essential Church repairs	£ 32,500
Conference Centre	£ 14,000
Total	£ 46,500 + VAT
Amount Collected so far	<b>£ 10,477.24</b>
Amount remaining	£ 36,022.76 + VAT

**We are on Target! Thank you all for all your contributions.**