

**\*\*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 20th August 2023\*\***

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### **Church of the Holy Ghost, Yeovil**

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### **Served by the Missionaries of Saint Francis de Sales (Fransalians - MSFS)**

Priests: Fr Sujith John Pallassery MSFS; Fr Jose Maliekal MSFS

Priests resident in the Parish: Fr David O'Regan

Parish Administrator: Sue Chant (Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am - 1:00pm)

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Margaret Gulliver and The Diocesan Safeguarding Office can be contacted at 0117 954 0993

**CONFESSIONS:** 4.15pm - 4.45pm on Saturday, before & after Mass on request.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** On request. Please inform one of the clergy if you are going into hospital. If possible, please seek anointing beforehand.

**BAPTISMS:** By appointment. Adults seeking to know more about the Catholic Faith should speak to the Parish Priest, and/or come to the Journey in Faith (RCIA) sessions.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Six months notice for weddings.

**HOLY ORDERS:** Any man considering a vocation to the Priesthood or Permanent Diaconate should speak to one of the clergy.

**PARKING AT HOLY GHOST:** The Car Park in the Marian Hall is controlled so that there is no improper use that does not pertain to the Parish. At this time, parking is not controlled during the times of advertised Masses and Services.

## Mass and Service Times for the Week Ahead

### Saturday 19 August - Memorial of Saint John Eudes, Priest

9:30am	RIP Marykutty (Ajeesh & Anju)	Holy Ghost
	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	
4:00pm	Adoration	
5:00pm	RIP Maria George (George Joseph)	Holy Ghost

### Sunday 20 August - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am	RIP Patricia Hamon	St Michael's
10:30am	Danny and Margaret Want Intentions (Elizabeth Hancock)	Holy Ghost
6:00pm	Liz Hart RIP (10th Anniversary) John Friel	Holy Ghost

### Monday 21 August - Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope

9:30am	RIP Tom & Patrick Histon (Rosemary Hawkey & Philomena Histon)	Holy Ghost
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### Tuesday 22 August - Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30am	RIP Maria Budzynski Birthday (Anna Robus)	Holy Ghost
	RIP Terry Cousins (Alan Cousins Brother)	
	RIP Caroline Brennan (Susan Mitchell)	
6:00pm	RIP Lawrence Henry (Julia Henry)	Holy Ghost

### Wednesday 23 August - Memorial of Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

9:30am	RIP Dominic Lucas Birthday (Rebecca Tracey)	Holy Ghost
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### Thursday 24 August - Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

9:30am	Spl intention of Rojan & Family (Rojan Antony)	St Michael's
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### Friday 25 August - Weekday in Ordinary Time

9:30am	RIP Sr Patricia (A) – M Novak	Holy Ghost
6:00pm		Holy Ghost

### Saturday 26 August - Our Lady on Saturday

9:30am	RIP Teresa Novak (M Novak)	Holy Ghost
	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	
5:00pm	RIP KE Mani (George Joseph)	Holy Ghost

### Sunday 27 August - Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am		St Michael's
10:30am		Holy Ghost
2:00pm	RIP Mr Kurian James Puthenpurackal (Mass in Malayalam)	Holy Ghost
6:00pm		Holy Ghost

**Mass in Polish is every Sunday at 4:00pm at Holy Ghost. All services at Holy Ghost are available on livestream at <https://www.churchservices.tv/yeovil>.**

**A lot could happen with a Tea/meal:** As I stand at the threshold of my second year, I realise that I know a few of my parishioners quite well, a few others peripherally and a lot of parishioners just by face. Those whom I know well have shared at least a cup of tea with me.

There is an ad about a coffee brand – ‘a lot can happen over a cuppa.’ It would be wonderful if some of you wish to invite me/us for a coffee/meal and chat. This helps me to know you well and this in turn helps me to understand the parish family and the dynamics of the parish better. Just remember, I am just a call away...

**Church Cleaning:** Last Saturday we tried our hands at cleaning the Church immediately after the Mass. It works quite well. We had a few willing and cheerful volunteers to do the job. If we have the energy to keep it going, it would be wonderful. After cleaning we spend sipping a cuppa and chatting amazing things. This looked like an informal VT meeting (lol). This could be continued every Saturday.

**Marian Hall:** Good news! Malcom Gulliver has agreed to be part of the Marian Hall discussions. Anton Szulac has also extended his hand. John Marsden has promised to do what he can. Once back from Lourdes, we can hold a meeting. This could be the beginning... Thank you.

**Liturgy Team:** The preliminary meeting of the Liturgy Team on Wednesday 16 August turned out to be a creative and heart warming experience; representatives from the Reading, Eucharistic, Children and Servers Liturgies met to plan firstly how to broaden participation in these liturgies and secondly to firm up systems of organisation already in place. Thank you to those who came. We have a team!

Mary Ashby – Team Coordinator

**Filipino Mass:** There will be Mass on 26th August at 12:30 noon officiated by Fr Claro Conde, with a get-together immediately after the Mass at the Marian Hall. You are welcome to join in and bring food along...

**Lord's Larder:** The SVP thanks the parish family for the generous contributions received. But the intensity tends to dip as weeks pass by. Let's all make a little sacrifice towards this cause and help the less fortunate brothers and sisters around us. It could very have been myself in their place. Please bring any tins or packets of food you can spare and place in the basket at the back of the Church for those local people in need.



***Entrance Antiphon:*** Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere

***Responsorial Psalm:*** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

***Gospel Acclamation:*** Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

***Communion Antiphon:*** With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

## **Our experience at World Youth Day 2023!** **By Sonia and Zuzy**

We flew to Lisbon just before World Youth Day began. It was hot and sunny and in all honesty was hard not to get that holiday feeling. However, as we were kindly reminded at the first mass: this was a pilgrimage and not a holiday. We did, however, have the chance to see the beautiful sights of Lisbon before the event began and of course, we took a dip in the sea. Before long, the city started to fill with young people from across the world. In fact, 1.5 million of them from 143 countries! The whole of Lisbon was centered around the event. We were given free food at various places and were never



far away from volunteers. Due to the vast number of people, public transport was full. Nevertheless, you could always have a wonderful conversation with an absolute stranger. One of our most memorable encounters was when we were on a bus sat opposite a group from Mexico. We exchanged some small gifts and had an insightful chat about the Catholic church in central and South America, during what could have been a mundane five-minute bus ride.

On the first day, we all congregated at Parque Eduardo VII for the first mass with the Pope. During the week we explored the city and attended various talks and musical events which were fantastic. The city was alive with people waving flags, singing songs in their own language and laughing, despite the heat. It was wonderful that we were also able to visit the blessed pilgrimage site of Fatima while we were there, a sacred and humbling place.

One of our biggest highlights was the stations of the cross where each station was accompanied by interpretive dance and an interesting and reflective message. On the last day of the event, all 1.5 million of us went on a pilgrimage to the outskirts of Lisbon where we were to camp under the stars, ready to attend the morning mass with the Pope the next day. We walked for 5 hours in the blazing midday heat carrying all of our belongings. Exhausted, we arrived at a huge site and attended a Vigil with adoration that evening. This was one of the most emotional events during the week. Everyone was silent in adoration, which was truly moving. Afterwards, there was music and singing. We danced the bachata with a group of people from Colombia who had conveniently brought their accordion with them. We settled down for the night in our sleeping bags but were then woken up to a techno remix of Gloria at 7am by Padre Guilherme, a Catholic DJ. After the Pope's arrival, the last mass of the event began. The entire week was amazing. There was a feeling of love peace and happiness in the air. It was a privilege to be able to be there and share the joy of our faith with so many other young people like ourselves and to encounter Jesus through the conversations we had and the challenges we faced on our pilgrimage. As always...the Pope couldn't have put it any better:

"Joy is missionary. Joy is not just for oneself; it's for sharing something with others."

**Pope's August Intentions: For World Youth Day** - We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

**We remember in our prayers:** We pray for those of our family and friends who have recently passed away both in the Parish and elsewhere. May they rest in peace.

For peace in our world, and for the people of Ukraine & Russia.

**Mass in Malayalam:** Second and Fourth Sunday of the month at 2.00pm.

**Hire of the Marian Hall:** Please book during office times below ideally by email.

**Parish Office:** Open Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm

**If you have any items for the Bulletin:** please email: [yeovil.holyghost@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:yeovil.holyghost@cliftondiocese.com).