



Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Church

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

16TH JUNE 2024

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Dear Parishioners, we hear a lot of talk in the Church about decline and that the future is quite bleak. However, in some ways we must not despair. The Gospel reading this weekend speaks to us about growth. We hear how the mustard seed, when planted, is the smallest of seeds, yet it grows into the biggest shrub of them all. The parable of the mustard seed helps us to understand an important element of parish life, that often we may feel like we are small or insignificant but if we persevere, if we continue to be watered and nurtured then the potential for growth is certainly there. As we reflect on God's word this weekend, let us not be too focused on the problem but on the solution, and ask ourselves two important questions; Am I growing in faith? Am I helping the parish community to grow in faith? Finally, we wish all fathers, grandfathers and godfathers a very Happy Father's Day. God bless, Fr Andrew.

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Church Opening Times:

The church is open for private prayer from dawn to dusk

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Parish Office Opening Times: Tel: 0121 744 1967

9.00am to 4.00pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday. (Juliet)

9.00am to 4.00pm Tuesday. (Sue)

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This week's second collection is for **Day for Life**, whose initiative is dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

Collections: 2nd June 2024: Gift Aid: £214.00 Loose: £586.17 Standing Orders: £870.00 Tap n' Go: £ TBC Total: £1670.17
9th June 2024: Gift Aid: £203.00 Loose: £665.71 Standing Orders: £870.00 Tap n' Go: £ TBC Total: £1738.71



The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mrs Michelle Ashley. She can be contacted at: sg.olw.shirley@rcaob.org.uk, or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or email: safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk, if you have any concern.

Liturgical Schedule

<p>Sat 15th 10.00am</p> <p>5.30pm</p>	<p>Holy hour and Confessions</p> <p>(Vigil Mass) Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Int. Larry Hussey - Anniversary</p>
<p>Sun 16th 10.00am</p>	<p>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Int. Betty McCormick and family Int. Jim Reidy – Anniversary Int. Cahal & Kate Moen RIP Int. Mario & Zeny Querol - Thanksgiving</p>
<p>Mon 17th</p>	<p>No Mass</p>
<p>Tues 18th 9.30am</p>	<p>Dedication of the Cathedral Int. Collette Ware RIP</p>
<p>Wed 19th 9.30am</p>	<p>Feria in Ordinary Time Int. Mary Hall</p>
<p>Thurs 20th 9.30am</p>	<p>Feria in Ordinary Time Int. Julia & Omi Talukder RIP</p>
<p>Fri 21st 9.30am</p>	<p>Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga Int. Ann Cheal RIP</p>
<p>Sat 22nd 10.00am</p> <p>5.30pm</p>	<p>No Holy hour or Confessions</p> <p>(Vigil Mass) Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Int. James Carrabin RIP</p>
<p>Sun 23rd 10.00am</p>	<p>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Int. Simone Colgè</p>

Liturgical and Spiritual . . .



Our Lady's Candle. This week it is lit for Anne Haligan.



RIP. Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently and all who mourn them.



Please pray for Oistin Gallagher and Isla Parker who are being baptised this weekend. We welcome them into our parish family.

(For those who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith).

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 19th June at 7.00pm in St Aidan's Chapel.**
Contact John: johnfpnolan@gmail.com



If you have recently made your First Holy Communion and would like to become an altar server, please see Father Andrew.

Mass Times

St Augustine's Mass times are 10.00am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and 11.30am on Wednesday and 6.30pm on Friday.

St George and Teresa 10.00am Daily.

Please check their websites for any changes to Mass times.



Music at The Wayside

Do you love singing?
Do you play an instrument to a reasonable standard?
Do you want to serve the Lord in music?

If you answered 'Yes!' to any of those questions, then why not come along for an hour or so on Wednesday evenings at 7.45pm?
That's when our Parish musicians and singers meet every week.

We are a friendly bunch who prayerfully try to prepare the music for upcoming Masses - but we also have fun socially too!

...and we are always looking for people to come and join us.

For more details, contact Chris on 07544 - 549000



Divine Mercy Prayer Group: Meets every Monday evening at 6:45pm in St Aidan's Chapel.

Pastoral and Social Outreach . . .

SVP. The SVP offers confidential practical support for anyone in need. Please email svps Shirley@gmail.com.

SVP Food Bank. We now have storage in the parish for the food bank, however we need to build up our stock, so we would like :- cereals, tinned beans, spaghetti hoops, tinned tomatoes, tinned meats, tea, coffee, pasta sauces, washing up liquid, toilet rolls. Thank you for your generosity.

Own My Life Employability Course

Our Lady of the Wayside is looking for a minimum of eight women, who are currently unemployed and wishing to find employment, to pilot a new six week Own My Life Employability course. Using interactive resources, this course will meet for 90 minutes weekly, for six weeks, to address the specific employability needs that women face. If you, or any women you know, might be interested, please email tberenshtain@gmail.com or call Tanya on 07977 209 569.

Parish Youth Group

Meets Friday evenings in the Parish Hall at 6.30pm to 8.00pm. (Term Time Only) School year 6 and upwards. For more details, please contact Ray McNally on 07827 894446 or email ray@extendaline.com.

Click on the link below to see more about our Parish Youth Group.

<https://ourladyofthewaysidechurchshirley.co.uk/olow-youth-group/>



Clear out for CAFOD last Sunday raised a wonderful **£238!** Many thanks to everyone who took part - people bringing, people buying and the refreshment team for moving everything over to the Parish Hall.

We will have our next sale in September so start looking out for your unwanted items that others might make use of.

Let's help reduce, reuse and recycle as we try to **LiveSimply** - answering the Church's call for us to live sustainably and in solidarity with people living in poverty.

Free Concert Performance Sunday 23rd June 4-5pm

Our Lady of the Wayside School Choir & Shirley's Love To Sing Community Choir



You are warmly invited to come along to enjoy listening to both choirs singing here in our parish church on Sunday 23rd June for an hour's performance of a wide range of popular music. This is a free concert with the option to make donations afterwards which will support the work of our SVP society and another local charity. Tea, coffee and freshly baked cakes will be served afterwards. What a great way to spend an hour on a Sunday afternoon!

Hustings Event

Shirley Churches Together are arranging a hustings event - an opportunity to question the candidates standing in the Solihull West and Shirley constituency. This will be on Wednesday 26th June at 7:30pm at Shirley Methodist Church. It is for voters in the constituency ONLY, so you must BRING YOUR POLLING CARD to gain admission. Questions to be submitted in advance to office@shirleymethodist.org.uk. No questions will be accepted on the night.

Church Cleaning

Thursday 20th June, at 10.00am.

All are welcome.



Friends of the Holyland

Weekend of 29/30 June, olive wood carvings from the Holyland will be on sale in the Narthex.