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**Sunday 14th July 2024**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
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**THIS WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION  
 FOR STELLA MARIS  
 Supporting Seafarers and Fishers worldwide.**

**TODAY IS PERMANENT DIACONATE SUNDAY**  
**Archbishop John Wilson has a vision of a serving Permanent Deacon  
 in every Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark.**  
**Could you have a calling to this ministry of serving God and His Church?**

**GOSPEL REFLECTION: EVERY CALL HAS A PURPOSE (MARK 6.7-13)**

Since the creation of the world, God has never ceased to make Himself present among His people. He always called and chose the Patriarchs, Kings, Leaders, Prophets, Apostles, Priests, and other ministers for the purpose



of making His presence felt in the world. On this 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the year, the themes of vocation and mission are highlighted in the liturgy of the word. In the first reading, God chose a poor farmer Amos for the purpose of prophesying in Israel's northern kingdom. God challenged him to defend his vocation as a prophet to Israel. Despite the opposition and challenges he faced from the "professional and paid prophets," he fulfilled God's purpose for choosing him. Paul reminds us in the second reading that God call and chose us in Christ "To be holy, and spotless, and to live through love in his presence and to become his adopted sons and daughters" The Gospel passage from Mark recounts the call and first mission of the twelve

specially chosen disciples of Jesus. They are called. They are chosen. They are sent out. They are given a mission. Both readings remind us that those chosen to bring the Word of God to others must rely, not on their own resources, but on the authority of the one who sends them. We are invited, to recognize our own calling and seek to know what God asks of us in order to succeed in our missions. We are called to be disposed like Amos, Paul, and the Twelve Apostles to see our work or vocation as a call from God and so be disposed to cooperate with His divine will for the betterment of humanity and the world at large.

**PERMANENT DIACONATE SUNDAY** Today, 14<sup>th</sup> July, 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, we celebrate the first Archdiocesan Diaconal Day, when we pray for the current Permanent Deacons serving in our Archdiocese and for new vocations to this ministry. Are you: a man aged between 21 and 58, prayerful, with a desire to love and serve God and his people, involved in services within your parish and community, feel drawn to a closer relationship with Christ and His Church? If yes, then it is possible that God is calling you to the ministry of Permanent Deacon. To help discern a vocation please: Speak to one of the priests or Barry Barton, Parish Deacon. Look for information on the diocesan web site <https://rcaos.org.uk/vocations/is-god-calling-me/the-diaconate/> or the parish website <https://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.uk/newsletters/> or contact the Diaconate Formation Director via e-mail: [ianblack@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ianblack@rcaos.org.uk)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO FR. LEO** who celebrates the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you, Fr. Leo, for your ministry and commitment to our parish. May God continue to bless you. Amen.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Pearl Bates who died on 18<sup>th</sup> June aged 95. Pearl's funeral service will take place at Barham Crematorium on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 12 noon. May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory, Amen.

**FIDES GROUPS.** St Finbarr's meeting Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, St Paul's will be Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July, both 6:40pm for 7pm. Everyone, whether a regular attendee or who has never attended, is welcome to join us for refreshment, prayer, video, lively discussion, and rousing song.

**ST FINBARR'S CHURCH CLEANING SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 10AM – 12 NOON.** Come along and help to give our church a summer clean.

**ST PAUL'S FAMILY FUN DAY SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 11AM – 2PM.** A family fun day of games, picnic and sing along. Venue Connaught Park, Dover, CT16 1HF. On the bottom field past the pond towards the castle (same as last year). Wear appropriate clothing and footwear especially if participating in the games etc, bring something to sit on, blanket or chair, and a picnic for your family. If wet, we will use the parish hall.

**FATHER JEFF WRITES.** Thank you all so much for a wonderful weekend. It was great to see everyone. Because so many of you had marked my birthday, when I was locked away, it had not occurred to me I would be the happy recipient of cards and gifts. It was amazing that when I got home I had to make several journeys to and from the car to bring all my bags in. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.



**ST PAUL'S JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP** Last Saturday, the junior youth group went to Chatham for the Diocese Youth Day. We had an adventurous journey and amazing day. There were a lot of young people from all over the Diocese, mainly from London. We had a lot of activities such as beautiful talk on Sacraments by Deacon Steave, crafts, football, and rounders as well as having a PowerPoint presentation of the Catholic Church and its teachings and rituals. We also had music, adoration and benediction which was a deep experience. Despite the hardships and troubles, we had to go through before and after the event, the group had a brilliant and beautiful time and learnt a lot and gained new knowledge and understanding about the Catholic Church and growing closer to God especially during Question-and-Answer time. We would like to thank Fr. Dermott and Fr. Matthew from the Diocese for organising the Event. They looked after us with food and snacks throughout. A Big



Thankyou to Fr. Leo, Mary, Christina, and Silvana for arranging this event. God bless you all. Richie from J. Youth Group.

Parish of The Good Shepherd Dover and Aylesham 'Called to Bear Fruit': Parish Renewal		
	July onwards 2024	
Seafarers Day Mass Fr Godwin Presiding, Deacon John Fogarty, Stella Maris, Preaching	Tuesday 16th July 10am St Paul's Church with light refreshments immediately afterwards	St Paul's Dover
Fides Meeting	Tuesday 16th July 6.40pm for 7pm Wednesday 17th July 6.40pm for 7pm	St Finbarr's Aylesham St Paul's Dover
St Paul's Family Fun Day	Saturday 20th July 11am-2pm	Connaught Park, Dover (St Paul's Hall if wet)
St Finbarr's Church Cleaning Day	Saturday 20th July 10am-12noon	St Finbarr's Aylesham
Meeting and Training for Church Readers Current and New	Monday 22nd July 7pm Tuesday 23rd July 7pm	St Finbarr's, Aylesham St Paul's, Dover
Altar Servers Training Current and New	Saturday 27th July 2pm	St Paul's, Dover
Celebration Day of Parishioners Aged Ninety and Over (Nonagenarian)	Sunday 28th July 11am Mass followed by refreshments	St Paul's, Dover
Fr Jamie's 80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration	Sunday 11th August	St Paul's, Dover
St Finbarr's Feast Day/Family Fun Day Celebration	Sunday 22nd September after 11.15am Mass	St Finbarr's, Aylesham

**ROSARY AND BIBLE STUDY AT ST PAUL'S.** Next Thursday's pre-Mass rosary and post Mass bible study will take place on Thursday 18th July.

**BIBLE STUDY AT ST FINBARR'S** is taking a summer break. We will be back on Tuesday 3rd September 7-8.30 pm.

**ST JUDE'S PRAYER GROUP** There will not be a meeting in July. Meeting for August to be confirmed later.

**PARISHIONERS AGED 90 OR OVER: CELEBRATION OF BEING A NONAGENARIAN!!!!** Are you, or do you know a parishioner attending St Paul's or St Finbarr's who will be 90 or over this year? If you do, please email or phone the parish secretary ([dover@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:dover@rcaos.org.uk) 07936 573155) to let her know the name and contact details. We do not want any parishioner who is 90 or over, to miss out on our planned parish wide celebration on **Sunday 28th July 2024**, with Mass at 11am, St Paul's, followed by a social in the hall for the nonagenarians and their families. Thanks, in anticipation for your help. Deacon Barry.

**PLANNED GIVING TIME & TALENTS.** The following meeting/training dates have been arranged:

- **READERS:** Current and New Readers are invited to a Training/Meeting on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July in St Finbarr's Church** and **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July in St Paul's Church** both at **7pm**.
- **ALTAR SERVERS:** Current and New Altar Servers Training/Meeting at **St Paul's Church** on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm**.

Please come along on the above dates if you are interested in these Ministries.

For those who indicated they would like to help with **Flower Arranging, Cleaning the Church** and **Singing in the Choir or Playing a Musical Instrument** you will be contacted shortly by the leaders of these groups. We will be contacting those who indicated other Ministries in the near future. Thank you and God Bless.

**13<sup>TH</sup> DOVER (ST PAUL'S) SCOUT GROUP** Quiz Night on Tuesday 16th July in St Paul's Hall at 7.30pm. Teams up to 6, cost is £4 per person. Contact [davymcr@gmail.com](mailto:davymcr@gmail.com) to book a table.

**ADULT YOUTH GROUP.** Father Moses, from the parish of St Gabriel's in Archway (London), will visit Dover, on 27th of July. Fr Moses will bring his youth group with him, where they will meet with our own Dover youth group, as Familia Una ('one family'). The group will be introduced to the sights and sounds of Dover - The White Cliffs.

**FATHER MADEWA'S CELEBRATORY MASS OF 20 YEARS ORDINATION TO THE SACRED PRIESTHOOD** will take place on **Friday 26th July**, with Mass at 6pm at St John the Evangelist church in Mongeham, 149, St Richard's Road, Deal, CT14 9LD. All parishioners are invited to attend.

**YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT, MINSTER ABBEY** Church Street, Minster, Kent CT12 4HF **22nd-26th July**, for young adults aged 18-35. It is open to Christian women and men who would like to pray and work alongside the community. It will be self-catering with payment by donation. We are a 5-minute walk from Minster train station. Please email Sister Walburga [minsternuns@gmail.com](mailto:minsternuns@gmail.com)

**FRANCISCAN PILGRIMAGE: Dover to Canterbury 'Casting the Net of St Peter with The Cord of St Francis 1224 – 2024' Advanced Notice.** The Franciscan Family in the UK, based in Surrey, are planning an ecumenical pilgrimage to Canterbury from Dover to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the landing of the first Franciscans in England, at Dover, on the 10th Sept 1224. Pilgrims are expected from across the country including East Kent. All Christians, of any denomination, are welcome to participate. Booking details are NOW available on the pilgrimage website. Please go to: <http://franciscan-pilgrimage-england-800thanniversary.com/> for details.

***The Prayer of Saint Pope John Paul II to Our Lady Star of the Sea***

*Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas,  
That they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea.*

*As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time,  
Show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost.*

*Pray that we will never fail on life's journey, that in heart and mind, word, and deed*

*In days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say,  
'Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?'*

*Our Lady of Peace pray for us! Bright Star of the Sea guide us!*

*Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us. Amen*



**Please Pray for those who are unwell:**

**St Finbarr's:** Elisabet Sulianti, Gabriela le Bohec, Charlie Golden, Tina Isaacs, Ray Deverson, Lucy Purbrick, Amanda Dennis, Jadon Michael Kalp, Denise Mastro, Tara Conklin & Jamie Chitwood.

**St Paul's:** Sr Rani Xavier, Thanima Jayan, Janice & Livra Fernandes, Catriona Stark, Chris Quinn, Mary Pressnell, Gaby Anaya Amor, Danielle Sutton, Fr John Ryan, Pat Evans, Shirley Lazarus, Shirley Jefford, Clare Quigley, Barbara Monclus, Gail White, Neil Stevens, John & Joyce Nix, Bailey Turner, Peggy Merrell, Ryan Whittall, Iris (Tilly) Ball, Jean Ann Dowle, Norman Woolhouse, Ted Peel, Christopher Browne, Angela, Alice Wilson, Angela Henbrey, Madison Woodall, Julie Balston, Elisa Gomez Melero, Ann Tomalak, Cathy Huntley, Emin Jain, Pat & Patricia Sherratt, Chris Roy,.

**Please Pray for those whose anniversaries occur this week:**

**St Finbarr's:** Teresa Gozalez Viega Lady Hawarden, Allen Lonie, Basil Walter Ward, Quentin Steele, Michael De La Mare, Harry & Hilda Elworthy, Sandra Lane McCann.

**St Paul's:** Maurice Doyle, John Colquhoun Jardine, Sylvia Wood, Reginald Grilli, Eileen Belfield, Tony Gibbs, Teresa Farrell, Joan Cahill, William Richard Brankley, Debbie Linda Winters, Brian Coyne, James McGilly, Rudolf Balog, Abby Tait, Derry Maher, Joe Gavigan, Quentin Clifford Steele, Phyllis Page, Brigid Clark, Ida Madeleine Huntley, Nick Sanders.

<b>EVENTS THIS WEEK AT ST FINBARR'S</b>			
	<b>Saturday 13th July</b>	<b>10am 4pm</b>	<b>Church Cleaning until 12pm Syro Malabar Mass</b>
<b>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Sunday 14th July</b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Mass for Orphans Everywhere</b>
	<b>Tuesday 16th July</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Fides Meeting in the Church</b>
	<b>Wednesday 17th July</b>	<b>10.15am</b>	<b>Mass for the Parishioners of St Finbarr's</b>
<b>SAINT APOLLINARIS</b>	<b>Saturday 20th July</b>	<b>4pm</b>	<b>Syro Malabar Mass</b>
<b>SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Sunday 21st July</b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Mass for Jean Cable RIP (Audrey Bryan)</b>
<b>EVENTS THIS WEEK AT PAUL'S</b>			
	<b>Saturday 13th July</b>	<b>10am 5pm 6pm</b>	<b>Mass in St Edmund's Chapel for Fr Jeff (55<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary to the Sacred Priesthood) Confessions in the Church (until 5.45pm). Mass for Julian Woolhouse RIP (Norman)</b>
<b>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Sunday 14th July</b>	<b>9.15am 9.15am 11am 3pm</b>	<b>Mass for Regina Illah RIP (Mary) Mustard Seeds in the Hall Coffee after Mass in the Hall Mass for Jean MacKenzie RIP (Robert) Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet</b>
<b>SAINT BONAVENTURE</b>	<b>Monday 15th July</b>	<b>9am 10am</b>	<b>St Edmund's School End of Year Mass Mass for Monsignor Canon John O'Toole (Kay)</b>
<b>OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL</b>	<b>Tuesday 16th July</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Seafarers Mass for Johanna Carmel Briant (Laura &amp; Henry)</b>
	<b>Wednesday 17th July</b>	<b>10am 5.30pm 7pm</b>	<b>Mass for Regina Illah RIP (Women's Guild) Exposition and the Holy Rosary until 6.30pm Fides Meeting in the Hall</b>
	<b>Thursday 18th July</b>	<b>9.30am 10am 10.30am</b>	<b>Holy Rosary in the church Mass for Pat Grilli RIP (Theresa) Bible Study in the hall</b>
<b>SAINT JOHN PLESSINGTON</b>	<b>Friday 19th July</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Mass for Fr Leo (Ordination Anniversary) With St Richard's School Leavers</b>
<b>SAINT APOLLINARIS</b>	<b>Saturday 20th July</b>	<b>10am 11am 5pm 6pm</b>	<b>Mass in St Edmund's Chapel for G/E Fr Leo (Women's Guild) Family Fun Day at Connaught Park (until 2pm) Confessions in the Church (until 5.45pm). Mass for Restituta Crave RIP (Jesus)</b>
<b>SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Sunday 21st July</b>	<b>9.15am 9.15am 11am 3pm</b>	<b>Mass for Regina Illah Mustard Seeds in the Hall Coffee after Mass in the Hall Mass for Ida Huntley RIP (Mary) Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet</b>

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# READINGS FOR SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

## First reading

**Amos 7:12-15**

*'Go, shepherd, and prophesy to my people Israel'*

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer;' get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

## Responsorial Psalm

**84(85):9-14**

**Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.**

## Second reading

**Ephesians 1:3-14**

*God chose us in Christ before the world was made*

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ,

to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence,

determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ

for his own kind purposes,

to make us praise the glory of his grace,

his free gift to us in the Beloved,

in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

Such is the richness of the grace

which he has showered on us

in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning

to act upon when the times had run their course to the end:

that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head,

everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own,

chosen from the beginning,

under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things

as he decides by his own will;

chosen to be,

for his greater glory,

the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.

Now you too, in him,

have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation,

and have believed it;

and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise,

the pledge of our inheritance

which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

## Gospel Acclamation

cf.

**Jn6:63,68**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;**

**you have the message of eternal life.**

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

**Mark 6:7-13**

*'Take nothing with you'*

Jesus made a tour round the villages, teaching.

Then he summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority

over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff –

no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he

added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay

there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse

to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.'

So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people

with oil and cured them.

## Act of Spiritual Communion

**My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.**