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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 10:00am Una White RIP
Tuesday 10:00am Intention of Franciscos Konwea
Wednesday 7:00pm People of Yemen
Thursday 10:00am Ann Walsh RIP
Friday 10:00am Priest's Intention
Saturday 6:00pm Healing for COVID

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 8:30am Intention of John Hazel
10:00am People of the Parish
12:00noon Homeless People

BAPTISMS



Time to book yours.

The church in two letters.....U SI

Congratulations to Felicia Hughes, the first person to text me. £10 is on its way.

Thanks to all who participated.

PARISH DAY.

Forgive me if I am too optimistic, if I suggest that we will be released from lockdown next week.

In the hope of such we need to consider a parish day. **Get the parish back on its feet again.**

Sunday July the 18 has been proposed. We need volunteers to organise and come up with further ideas.

It may be a day with a difference, but why not. Are you ready?

If you are reading this online why not go to the contact box and send us your ideas.

Just a reminder, the mass for Bishop Pat Lynch is at 6pm on Sunday 20th June in Camberwell. Let me know as soon as possible, if you would like to attend.

Fr Jack

The excitement of Easter, Pentecost, trinity and Body of Christ are over for now.

The seeds have been planted and now it is down to the very regular task of watering, nurturing and giving sunshine for the seeds to grow within us. So very appropriately we have the parables of the Kingdom today. The seeds are all within us in embryonic form, like the baby in the womb. The baby in the womb develops "automatically," over nine months but still needs much nurturing.

The Kingdom within us needs more attention. We have got to work at it. Being decent people, loving everyone regardless of their situation, abilities or background, being willing to help, to share, to not spread bad talk or rumours, supporting and encouraging, rejoicing in their well-being. Breathing deeply and reflecting on the values of our life. (Plato once said, "An unreflected life is not worth living.")

Being willing to promote people and make them feel good about themselves.

Some of us have perfected this to a large degree and some of us not so well. But hopefully all of us are on the road to blossoming into mature loving, serene adults. **And so the Kingdom has grown within us.**

Now when you get many people like this in a parish, you can say **the Kingdom exists among us.** God's presence is experienced and felt by those people who come into close contact with us. What a beautiful parish St James is.

Many people who join us talk of the happiness and joy in our celebrations and in our hospitality.

Long may it live.

And like the individual above, we are on the road. How far down the road? God knows. But post Covid let us move forward with greater determination.

So now we as the church are at the service of the Kingdom, trying to make this world a better place for all God's children.

"Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Everything you ever wanted is on the other side of fear.