



St Etheldreda's

WEEK BEGINNING 13 JULY 2025 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

# NEWSLETTER

## Mass Times

**Sundays:** 9 am (English)

11 am (Sung Latin)

**Monday-Friday:** 1 pm

## The Parable of the Good Samaritan



## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Here's the first (of five) introductory briefings on what Blessed Antonio Rosmini referred to as the "Ascribed Members" of his Institute. Convinced that God's Providential signs were leading him to establish a new religious congregation, on 20<sup>th</sup> February (Ash Wednesday), 1828, Rosmini arrived at the semi-derelict sanctuary of Monte Calvario, several hundred feet above the small town of Domodossola to spend Lent in austere but prayerful retreat, during which he wrote the Constitutions for a society that did not yet exist. He amended this initial document frequently over the ensuing years, but its basic principles remained unchanged. Perhaps most startling to the average Christian is the wording of his very first paragraph which reads: "This Society consists of faithful Christians who, in their ardent desire of living as disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master, apply themselves vigorously with mutual help and encouragement, to their own perfection as persons". Immediately you can see that the only qualifications to join his new Society are Baptism which brings us into the Christian fold and a desire for perfection ("Be perfect, as your Heavenly Father is perfect" {Mt.5:48}) which is affirmed and supported by like-minded people. There is no mention of priesthood or vows. It is clear that Rosmini's vision for his new Society was broad and deep, yet it could be lived out fully whether it comprised of 5, 50 or 5000 members!

Fr Anthony Furlong IC

## Etheldreda, Princess, Abbess, Saint

**Etheldreda's World - Princess, Abbess, Saint**. Dr Charles Moseley from Oxford University, wrote this book to mark 1,350 years since St Etheldreda founded a monastery on the site of what is now Ely cathedral in 673 AD. What was it like to be a Princess (c. 636-679 AD) an Abbess in a land where the old gods were still honoured by many? What power did women in her position wield? What did it mean to be revered as a Saint? This excellent book is available from the Presbytery. **Price 12.99.**

## Sunday's Music (11am)

**Neukomm** Missa ruralis

**Mozart** Alleluia

**Bach** Ich bin vernunft (cantata 84)

*Credo III, Salve Regina, Domine salvam fac*

**Organ Voluntary: Mendelssohn** Allegro in Bb

**Music Director:** Robert Patterson

## Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 30: 10-14; [9 am Mass  
**only:** Psalm 68. **Response:** "Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive."]; Colossians 1: 15-20; Luke 10: 25-37.

## Thought for the week

I do not want you to let the enemy close up your heart, when God wishes us instead to be great and generous of heart. *I ran in the way of your commandments, for you enlarged my heart.* So what I chiefly urge on you is to be more large-hearted. We are sinful, but God is infinitely good. How little we stop to think about that word, 'infinitely'. If we did, all our fears would vanish. So we must not let ourselves be deceived by the enemy, who sometimes makes our hearts sad, causing us distress which appears under the guise of compunction for our sins. No, our compunction must always be combined with unlimited hope.

**Blessed Antonio Rosmini**

## Please Support Us



## Let us remember in our prayers:

Agnieszka Krystyna Gesler and Stefano Mengoli, Sian Boland and Ryan Manuel; recently married here.  
Those who are sick, especially Francisca Prieto.

## Procession and Sagra (Street Fête)

In Honour of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Join the Italian community at St Peter's, Clerkenwell, at 3.30 pm on Sunday 20 July. Followed by The Sagra: an Italian Street Fête with music and stalls selling Italian food, drinks and lots more; all in a very Italian atmosphere.

## A Day with Mary

Is an open day of prayer held in St Mary of the Angels, Moorhouse road, Bayswater, W2 5DJ, on Saturday 2 August 2025; from 10 am to 5:30pm. It emphasizes worship of the Blessed Sacrament and devotion to Our Lady. You are welcome to join the event for a little while or for the whole day. The full schedule is on the cloister notice board.

## Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners is a confidential telephone helpline service. A Diocese of Westminster initiative, it has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. Although not a counselling service, the helpline is staffed by a professional team of volunteers who are trained to signpost callers to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens and understands can help clarify a way forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk. Operating three days a week from 4pm-7pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays calls are free on 0800 448 0704 For further information please email us at [Catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:Catholiclisteners@gmail.com) or visit our website at [www.CatholicListeners.com](http://www.CatholicListeners.com).

## Donation Appeal

**Donation Appeal.** We hope you will consider continuing to support St Etheldreda's. We are cutting costs where appropriate but it would be of immense help if you would consider supporting the parish by setting up a regular standing order. This can be done either by completing the standing order form available from the cloister table or through our parish [Diocesan microsite page](#). Individual donations can be made through either our Digital Collection Plate (DONA) that can be found in the cloister table or our DONA webpage link -

## A big thank you

To all who made last Sunday's Parish Buffet in honour of St Etheldreda such an enjoyable occasion. Thanks to all who brought and shared delicious food and the team for managing the occasion.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

You are invited to be part of this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, led by Cardinal Vincent on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September, with the theme in this Jubilee Year of *'With Mary, we are Pilgrims of Hope, Sharing Mary's Joy'*. Coaches will leave from the Cathedral. There has been a short delay in providing further information of how to book, but it would help planners if those interested could give names and phone numbers to Fr Anthony after both Masses.

## Getting married at St Etheldreda's – how to proceed

You should e-mail the Parish Priest at least 6 months before your intended wedding explaining who you are, your religious background, why you wish to get married at St Etheldreda's, and when (exact day, if possible). If the church accepts your request you will be invited to a preliminary meeting where the initial paperwork will be completed and the whole procedure will be explained and set in motion.

## Collections

9 am: Plate **£68.80**; Contactless: **£37.00**;  
11 am: Plate **£464.02**; Contactless: **£427.00**; plus 10 Euros.  
Donations made by standing order, calculated weekly, amount to **£426.44**.  
Thank you.

<https://donate.mydona.com/st-etheldredas-ely-place>.

If you are a UK tax-payer, please consider gift aiding your donation. Any donation you make will be increased by 25% at no expense to yourself. If you have any queries about how to donate please contact our Parish Administrator at [enquiries@stetheldreda.com](mailto:enquiries@stetheldreda.com). Your donations will enable us to meet the costs of the day-to-day running of the Parish. Thank you for your support.

## Mass Intentions

**Sun 13<sup>th</sup> July**  
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9.00 am  
Helen Kaganzi Akiiki RIP  
11.00 am  
For the people of the parish

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July**  
Feria  
1.00 pm  
Thanksgiving Mass for Miriam, Andrew & Mark

**Tue 15<sup>th</sup> July**  
St Bonaventure  
1.00 pm  
Special Intentions

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> July**  
Feria  
1.00 pm  
Giovanna Franco & Giovanni Andolcetti RIP

**Thu 17<sup>th</sup> July**  
Feria  
1.00 pm  
May Bryan RIP

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> July**  
Feria  
1.00 pm  
Elizabeth Hennessy & Family

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