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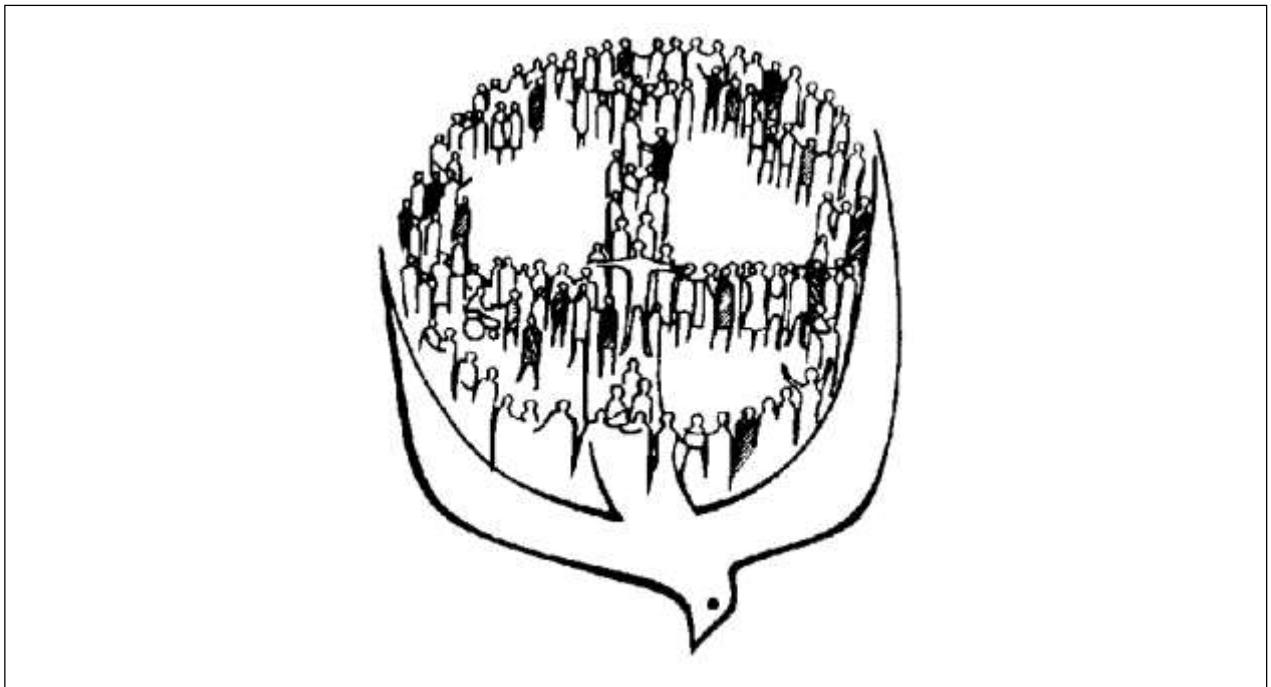
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Fourteenth week in Ordinary Time – 3rd July 2022

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts;
let the message of Christ find a home with you.

Col3: 15.16

WELCOME

Thank you to Mgr Anthony Wilcox who will say Mass on Saturday evening and Fr Martin Flatman who will offer Mass on Sunday morning.

SEA SUNDAY

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before.

Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure on board. Many are reporting increased stress and poorer mental health.

Sunday 10th July is Sea Sunday when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea.

You can donate in church through the second collection, online at <http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate> or by texting SEA to 70460 to donate £5.

THAMES VALLEY CYCLING

A generous donation of £300 has been made for the use of the car park and church premises to support a cycling event. This has been put into the building fund.

TEAS & COFFEES

£28.72 was banked in cash this week and a monthly total of £116 was raised on the contactless machine.

PARISH INCOME

May Contactless Sun. offering:	£ 596.00
May Building Fund:	£ 60.00
Standing Orders:	£ 2995.00

BACON BUTTIES available in the Cenacle after 10am Mass on the first Sunday of the month - starting up again this Sunday 3rd July.

BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON OPEN DAY

Are you looking for a Y7 place in 2023? Come and have a look round Bl. Hugh Faringdon Catholic School on 22nd September and find out what is on offer.
Morning session 9am - 12noon
Evening session 5pm - 7.30pm

JUBILEE CAKE SALE

Thank you to the organisers and those who enjoyed eating the wares. £108 was raised for the building fund.

ROCK N ALE SPONSORSHIP

Do you own a small local business or do you work for a local business? Caversham Rock and Ale is looking for sponsors for this event. Last year over 600 people attended and had the best time. Sponsorship of £200 will get you a mention on the night and your company name on our Sponsors Board which will be displayed clearly on the evening.

If you work for a local company and you're uncomfortable about asking, give me a call and I will do the asking. Contact Margaret on 07789776327



OUR LADY'S LAMP

This week the lamp is lit in memory of Bridget McArthur. Please remember her in your prayers.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply “peace”. The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

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**Mass Intentions for week
Fourteen in Ordinary Time**

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Saturday	2 nd July	17.30	Rose Butler RIP
Sunday	3 rd July	10.00	Zygmunt Powiecki RIP

Monday 4th July No Mass

Memorial of St Elizabeth of Portugal

Tuesday 5th July No Mass

Memorial of St Anthony Mary Zaccaria, Priest

Wednesday 6th July No Mass

Memorial of St Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr

Thursday 7th July No Mass

Thursday of week fourteen in Ordinary Time

Friday 8th July No Mass

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Saturday 9th July No Mass

Memorial of Ss Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Saturday	9 th July	17.30	David Day RIP
Sunday	10 th July	10.00	Our Lady & St Anne

Rosary before Saturday evening Mass.