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# ST. RAPHAEL

**Catholic Parish Church  
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**21st August 2011, Twenty First Sunday for the Year (A) psalter week I**

<b>9.30 am Family Mass</b>	<b>Richard Beehan RIP</b>
<b>11.30am Sung Mass</b>	<b>Allen Hammerton Fraser RIP</b>
<b>5.00pm Quiet Mass</b>	<b>The People of the Parish</b>

**No Rosary & Benediction of The Blessed Sacrament**

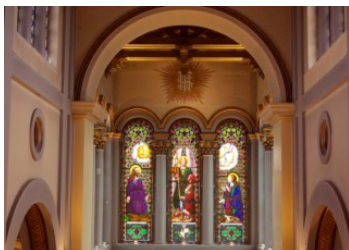
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 10.00am	The Queen'ship of Mary Rev. Martin Gibney
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 10.00am	St. Rose of Lima Fr. Dominic O'Sullivan RIP
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00am	St. Bartholomew Bartolome Capili RIP
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00am	St. Louis Mary McGann RIP
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> August <b>09.00am</b>	Blessed Dominic Barbieri Fr. Dominic O'Sullivan RIP
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> August 10.00am	St. Monica Rev Fr's. Joseph Butt, Francis Redway & Stephen Robo RIP

**28th August 2011, Twenty Second Sunday for the Year (A) psalter week II**

<b>9.30 am Family Mass</b>	<b>Francis Findlay RIP</b>
<b>11.30am Sung Mass</b>	<b>Alma Eastwood RIP</b>
<b>5.00pm Quiet Mass</b>	<b>The People of the Parish</b>

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**Thank you** for Last Sunday's Collections:  
£311.06 lose + £180.00 Gift Aid = **£491.06**  
Plus £110.26 for the Stained Glass Windows  
& £81.30 for the Stations of the Cross



*Stained Glass  
Restoration*

**Target £50,000**  
**RAISED £40,198.22**  
**NEED £9,801.78**  
Restored in memory of:  
Fr. Dominic O'Sullivan  
A much loved Parish Priest



**NEW STATIONS  
OF THE CROSS**

**TARGET £18,480.00**  
**RAISED £5,400.72**  
**NEED £13,079.28**

## EMERGENCY

**IF ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL REQUEST  
THAT THE ON DUTY CATHOLIC  
CHAPLAIN BE NOTIFIED**

## WEEKDAY MASS

Monday to Friday  
In Alexander House  
(Enter via the right hand side  
of the Church)



**Whilst the scaffolding  
is in the Church,  
please take special  
care and ensure that  
Children are  
supervised at all  
times.**

## Confessions Sundays

9.00am - 9.20am  
11.00am - 11.20am  
4.30pm - 4.50pm

## Saturdays

10.30am - 11.00am

*'The best place to  
listen to the word of  
God is in the  
celebration of the  
Eucharist.'*  
Pope Benedict

**2nd Collection today for our Stained Glass Windows & Stations of the Cross**

## **BLESSED DOMINIC BARBIERI**

On Friday we celebrate the memorial of Blessed Dominic Barbieri. Blessed Dominic was born on the 22nd June 1792 at Viterbo in Italy. As a child he was an ordinary pious Italian child, a farmer's son. He worked hard, played hard but also prayed hard. His family sheltered a small group of Passionist fathers when their monastery was closed down by Napoleon and Dominic got to know them and gained an appreciation for the Passionist way of life.

Around this time he had a dream that he was supposed to re-evangelize northern Europe, and especially England. But then the war broke out and he forgot all about it. When his name appeared on the local draft lottery list to go and fight for Napoleon's army, he promised God he would become a religious if only his number didn't come up. It didn't. He breathed a sigh of relief and tried to forget all about it. But he couldn't; time and time again he was reminded of his vision and his promise. His parents arranged a fine marriage for him with a well-placed and pretty bride, but he knew he could not go through with it and just before the wedding he ran off to join the Passionists.

Dominic grew in faith as a Passionist and eventually he was ordained a priest. But still the vision about England haunted him, even though the Passionists were strictly an Italian Community. However, in due time, the Passionist superiors decided to open a house in England and eventually Fr. Dominic himself went to England as a missionary.

An Anglican gentleman from Oxford, JB Dalgairns, wrote a short article for a European newspaper, Fr. Dominic wrote a response, and they became good friends. They visited each other for long discussions, eventually Dalgairns became a Catholic and they stayed friends. One fateful October day, Fr. Dominic travelled to visit Dalgairns again. In the pouring rain Fr. Dominic arrived late at night, dripping-wet. When he got to the house he went at once to the fireplace to dry himself. The door opened quietly and the Blessed John Henry Newman (whom Pope Benedict beatified whilst in England) entered. That night under Fr. Dominic's instruction, he began his conversion to the Catholic Faith.

Blessed Dominic died of a heart attack on the 27th August 1849 in Reading, and is buried in the Passionist church in St. Helen's, Lancashire.

In 1937 Pope Pius XI declared him 'Venerable' and Pope Paul VI beatified him in 1963.

Here at St. Raphael's we are blessed to have a relic of Blessed Dominic which we will venerate after mass on Friday.

### **UNDERSTANDING THE NEW MASS TEXTS. - THE PENITENTIAL ACT.**

There are three forms of the penitential act, the most common is the Confiteor which begins "I confess". The new translation of this prayer restores the threefold admission "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin...." striking our breasts as we do so. This threefold action is repeated several times in the Mass in honor of the Blessed Trinity. Three times we admit our sinfulness and three times we ask for mercy. "Lord have mercy, Christ have Mercy, Lord have mercy" In the Sanctus three times we acknowledge the Holiness of God, 'Holy, Holy, Holy God' and at the Agnus Dei, we are reminded three times that Jesus died for our sins 'Lamb of God your take away the sins of the World'

The new translation of the Confiteor as well as being closer to the original text, expresses more grandly the seriousness of our sin and offers a humbler way to recollect ourselves before stepping further into prayer.

### **ST. PETERSBURG BLAGOVEST ENSEMBLE**

There will be a concert of Sacred music performed by the St. Petersburg Blagovest Ensemble. At Our Lady Immaculate Church Tolworth on the 28th September at 7.30pm. A wonderful evening of Russian Orthodox sacred music and Russian folk songs.

Tickets costing £10 and more information are available from Our Lady Immaculate Church on Tel: 020 8399 9550 [info@olionline.co.uk](mailto:info@olionline.co.uk)

### **RESTORATION UPDATE - THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Next to the Confessional there is a miniature sample copy of one of our new Stations of the Cross (The finished pictures will be approximately the same size as the previous set, and will not be framed in the same way as the sample.) They are being painted by an artist called Peter Stoff, in oils and 24 carat gold leaf. Please feel free to take a look after Mass.

### **R.C.I.A.**

This year's R.C.I.A. Course will commence on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Application Forms are available from the Sacristy.

The course is designed for those who wish to become a Catholic, or for Adult Catholics who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or for those who wish to learn more about their Catholic Faith.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion programme will begin for those in year 3 and above on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Mass will be on Sunday 20th May 2012 at 11.30am. Forms are available from the Sacristy after Mass today.

### **READERS AT MASS**

We are in need of more people to read at Sunday Mass, if you would be interested in this, please speak to either Peter Sebastian or Michael in the Parish Office.