

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 13th/14th June 2026

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTION

I Bore You Up on Eagle Wings

"I bore you up on eagle wings and brought you here to myself." (Exodus 19:4) What a wonderful image we have in today's reading of God's love and care for us. The Lord reminds the people of Israel how He carried them through danger and hardship, just as an eagle carries its young. It is a picture of tenderness, protection, and strength. God is not distant or indifferent; He is deeply involved in the lives of His people. Then come these remarkable words: "You shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people." God speaks not as a ruler demanding obedience, but as one who desires a loving relationship. He chooses His people and calls them precious in His sight. These are words meant to touch the heart and draw us closer to Him. The good news is that God never asks of us without first giving to us. He carries us on eagle's wings, strengthens us when we are weak, forgives us when we fail, and patiently calls us back when we wander. Our obedience is not payment for His love; it is our grateful response to a love already given. As we reflect on these words this week, let us ask ourselves: Do we recognize how often God has carried us through difficult times? Do we hear His voice amid the noise of daily life? And are we responding to His love with trust and faithfulness? May we always remember that we are God's treasured possession, held securely in His loving care, and may we respond generously to the One who first loved us. **Fr Nat**

Mass Times & Intentions: 13th June 2026 — 21 June 2026

Sat. 13th. 6:30pm: Bro Livinus James Ekeocha (Good health and Wellbeing)

Sun. 14th. 8.30am: Lindsey De Paul (R.I.P.) 10:00am: Alex Lobow (God's Blessing, long life, good health and private intentions). Thanksgiving for Khalisah Graciela (Birthday). 11.30am: Paulo Sergio De Silva Ribeiro (R.I.P.)

Mon. 15th. 9:30am: Lindsey De Paul (R..I.P.)

Tue. 16th. 9:30am: Lindsey De Paul (R.I.P.), Repose of the soul of Esperancia Dahoui (R.I.P.)

Wed. 17th. 9:30am: Lindsey De Paul (R.I.P.)

Thur. 18th. 9:30am: Lorrain Johnson and Family (Special Intention)

Fri: 19th. 9:30am: Fr Christian (Full recovery).

Sat. 20th. 9:30am: Romaine Yonlonfoun (4th Ann. R.I.P.)

Sat. 20th. 6:30pm: Peter Ageyman (R.I.P.)

Sun. 21st. 8.30am: John O'Connor (Ann. R.I.P.). 10:00am: Repose of the soul of Evan Nkiruka

Ezeokeke (R.I.P.) 11.30am: Alex Lobow (God's Blessing, long life, good health and private intentions)

The SICK: Esta Joseph, Rosa Sanctos, Annie O'Kane, Aggrey Michael Davis, Peter Carey, Mario Despicio, Fr. Morty, Joshua Twagira, Darabela Edmund, Margaret Pain, Juliana Charles, Audreh Khan, Ephraim Aluebhosele, Gwen Randall, Chinyere Oburota, Patrick Akanya, Kathy Langridge, Patricia Wocial & Maxine Leech. **ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Dorothy O'Brien, Mathew Enamejewa, Susanne Kilcoyne, Lawrence Simco, Michael Martin, Grace Dwyer, Bridget Byrne, Jibril Elyakubu, Philip Brett, Emily Early, Doris Gibbons, Trevor Bruce, Horace Reynolds, Mary Seavers, Patrick Callaghan, Arnold Newton, Roseline Tomlinson, Stanley Szlapak, Kenneth Amposo Anto-Awuakye, Sonia Lowe, Caroline Hemlock, Duncan Daw, Kathleen Dabin & Eileen Wood.



Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Saturday 11.30am –12noon, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament everyday from 9.00am - 9.30am. Tuesday 10am—11am. **Legion of Mary:** Tuesday 7pm.

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent



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St. Mary Magdalen Roman Catholic Church, Brockley

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 26: 7, 9 O Ps 100(99):1-2. 3. 5. **R3c**

Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

GLORIA: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER: O God, strength of those who hope in you, graciously hear our pleas, and, since without you mortal frailty can do nothing, grant us always the help of your grace, that in following your commands we may please you by our resolve and our deeds. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-6a In those days: The people of Israel came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: "You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." "

Reader: The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.
Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us; we belong to him.
We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **R**

SECOND READING: Romans 5:6-11 Brothers and Sisters: While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person — though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die — but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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Gospel Acclamation Mark 1:15 Alleluia, alleluia.
The kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:36-10:8 At that time: When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve Apostles are these: first, Si-

mon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to you Lord Jesus Christ.

T H E N I C E N E C R E E D :

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated

at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer over the Offerings: O God, who in the offerings presented here provide for the twofold needs of human nature, nourishing us with food and renewing us with your Sacrament, grant, we pray, that the sustenance they provide may not fail us in body or in spirit. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Ps 26: 4 There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Prayer after Communion: As this reception of your Holy Communion, O Lord, foreshadows the union of the faithful in you, so may it bring about unity in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

• Parish Prayer •

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for calling us to share in the fullness of life and love that Jesus won for us.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon our parish community. Changed by your Spirit may we become a community of disciples, attentive to the needs of all who come through our doors, and even those who don't.

We pray for your blessing upon every person in our parish community, and on all who live in and around our parish.

May they know your love, your presence, and your power in their lives.

For all who are struggling at this moment, we ask that you enter their lives and lift them.

May our parish become a place of adoration, where the hungry are fed, the sick are healed, the bereaved are comforted, and all are made whole.

Soften our hearts to your will. Make us open to what you desire to do in and through our parish, and give us the courage and strength to follow your call.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The second collection next weekend is for Day of Life. The proceeds from Day of Life collection provide core funding to assist other life-related activities supported by the Church.

Confirmation Day: Our confirmands will be confirmed by Canon Victor Darlington on Sunday 28th June at 11.30 Mass. Confirmation Celebration in the hall after Mass to 4pm, provided by the parents.

Lectio Divina Prayer Group: The next Lectio Divina Prayer Group will take place on **Wednesday 17th June** from 7pm to 8pm in the church. Everyone welcome.

Gift Aid envelopes are at the back of the Church, please, check and collect your envelopes as you leave the Church. If you are a UK tax payer, you can gift aid your offertory. Please, speak to Fr. Nat or Anna Cioffi if you want to be part of our gift aid scheme. May God bless you.

Young Adults Concert: The concert is organized by the Spiritan Religious Order Youth Ministry. The concert will take place on 24th October, from 10.00am to 5pm at St Mellitus RC, Tollington Park, N4 3AG. This is an exciting event, which includes adoration, worship and fun activities. It's a great opportunity to meet other young adults from all the Spiritan Parishes in UK. Please contact Fr Christian, Nevin or Sooria for further details.

Obituary Notice. It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Peter Ageyman, one of our beloved parish-

ioners, who departed this life on June 6 in Ghana. Let us keep Peter and his family in our prayers. May his soul rest in peace, and may the perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.

Confession: Confession is available every Saturday from 11.00am to 12 noon at the presbytery.

Visiting the sick: If you are aware of any parishioner who is sick, housebound or in a nursing home, please give their name to one of the clergy or send an email to the Parish office.

50/50 Club: The winners of the April draw were numbers 55 and 14. The May winners were numbers 64 and 78. The June winners were 41 and 36. Each winner will receive £10 each.

Hall rental: Please contact Fr. Nat or Fr. Christian for fees and availability.

Tea and Coffee: There is tea and coffee in the small hall, (access through the gate to the left of the church), after 10am and 11.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome.

Masses can be booked by telephone on 020 86911322, or by email at brockley@rcaos.org.uk. Mass offerings can be made online to the parish account.. Account name: RCAS Brockley, NatWest, Account Number: 79143962, Sort code 605001

“Receive Communion often, very often...there you have the sole remedy, if you want to be cured. Jesus has not put this attraction in your heart for nothing...”—St. Therese of Lisieux

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