

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 20th/21st 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

Do Not Be Afraid

Fear is part of life. We may worry about our families, our health, our finances, or the future. Yet throughout Scripture, God lovingly reminds us: "Do not be afraid." In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that we are precious in God's sight. Not even a sparrow falls to the ground without the Father knowing, and even the hairs of our head are numbered. Therefore, we need not be afraid, for we are deeply loved and cared for by God. Trusting in God does not remove every difficulty, but it gives us strength and peace in the midst of life's challenges. Whatever we face, the Lord walks with us and never abandons us. May we place our trust in Him each day and find comfort in His promise: "Do not be afraid, for I am with you." **Fr Nat**

Mass Times & Intentions: 20th June 2026 — 28 June 2026

Sat. 20th. 6:30pm: Peter Agyeman (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). Miguel Mateus Duarte & Family, Olivia Antonia Lima & family, Teodorico Tanaio & family (private intention).

Mon. 22nd. 9:30am: Eileen Wood (11th Ann. R.I.P.)

Tue. 23rd. 9:30am: Gerald McPartlane (R.I.P.), Mary Carol (R.I.P),

Wed. 24th. 9:30am: George & Isabella Gilmour (R.I.P),

Thur. 25th. 9:30am: Holy souls.

Fri. 26th. 9:30am: William O'Connor (Ann. R.I.P.)

Sat. 27th. 9:30am: Sick parishioners.

Sat. 27th. 6:30pm: People of the parish

Sun. 28th. 8.30am: 10:00am: Alex Lobow (God's Blessing, long life, good health and private intentions) 11.30am: Repose of the soul of Sidonie Ngueuga (R.I.P.)

The SICK: Esta Joseph, Rosa Sanctos, Annie O'Kane, Aggrey Michael Davis, Peter Carey, Mario Despiso, 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:**

Caroline Hemlock, Duncan Daw, Kathleen Dabin, Eileen Wood, Antonia Barnes, William Lovegrove, Mauro Ruggeri, Dorothy McNeish, Rachel Wilson, Georgios Panteli, Myra O'Halloran, William O'Connor, Catherine Marsh, Cherriphine Vassell, Patricia Nwoye & William Gook.



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

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Parish Deacon: Rev William Dunphy.

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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 27: 8-9 The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

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: Grant, O Lord, that we may always revere and love your holy name, for you never deprive of your guidance those you set firm on the foundation of your love. 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: Jeremiah 20:10-13 'He has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.' Jeremiah said: I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! 'Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' say all my close friends, watching for my fall. 'Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him.' But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

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

Responsorial Psalm: **Ps 69(68):8-10. 14, 17. 33-35.**
R14c

In your great mercy, answer me, O Lord.

It is for you that I suffer taunts,
that shame has covered my face.
To my own kin I have become an outcast,
a stranger to the children of my mother.
Zeal for your house consumes me,
and taunts against you fall on me. **R**

But I pray to you, O LORD,
at an acceptable time.
In your great mercy, answer me, O God,
with your faithful salvation.
LORD, answer, for your mercy is kind;
in your great compassion, turn towards me. **R**

The poor when they see it will be glad,
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the LORD attends to the needy,
and does not spurn his own in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,
the seas and everything that moves in them. . **R**

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-15 Brothers and Sisters: Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned — for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for many.

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

Gospel Acclamation John 15:26b, 27a Alleluia, alleluia. The Spirit of truth will bear witness about

me, says the Lord, and you also will bear witness. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:26-33 At that time: Jesus instructed his Apostles: 'Have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father knowing. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.'

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: Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation and praise and grant that, cleansed by its action, we may make offering of a heart pleasing to you. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Ps 144: 15 The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

Prayer after Communion: Renewed and nourished by the Sacred Body and Precious Blood of your Son, we ask of your mercy, O Lord, that what we celebrate with constant devotion may be our sure pledge of redemption. 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.

Softening 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.

Amen.

Saint Mary Magdalen, pray for us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Father's Day: We would like to wish all our wonderful fathers a very happy Father's Day. May the souls of our departed fathers rest in peace. Amen. Please remember to pray for your father, or give him a call if he is still with us. If your father has passed away, we invite you to come to church and light a candle in his memory. May God bless all fathers, living and deceased, for their love, sacrifice, and guidance. **Happy Father's Day.**

Second collection: The second collection today is for Day of Life. This is the day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. The proceeds from the Day for Life collection provide core funding to assist other life-related activities supported by the Church.

The second collection **next weekend** will be for Peter's Pence.

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.

Lectio Divina Prayer Group: The next Lectio Divina Prayer Group will take place on **Wednesday 1st July** from 7pm to 8pm in the church. Everyone welcome.

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.

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.

Obituary Notice. It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Peter Agyeman, one of our beloved parishioners, 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. Amen.

Misso Red Box: Please return your red Missio box to the presbytery for counting. Thank you for your continued support.

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 .

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

"God can turn around any situation. Keep praying. Keep believing. Keep trusting" - St. Padre Pio

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