



‘CALLED TO BE SENT (FAITH & MISSION)’

Community in Double Jubilee of 175 Years of Parish Community
and 100 years in Heaven of St Allamano

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 11: St Benedict

5-5.45pm: Confessions (Church)

6.00pm: Madge Doohan RIP

Sunday 12 July 2026

15th Sunday Ordinary Time

8.30am: Marie-Therese Smith RIP

10.30am: Pro Populo (ints)

6.00pm:

Monday 13:

9.30am Morning Prayer

6.00pm: David Kelly RIP

Tuesday 14: St Camillus of Lellis

9.30am Morning Prayer

10am: Marie Hunt (ints)

Wednesday 15: St Bonaventure

6.00pm: Sheena Louise Mitchell RIP

Thurs 16: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

9.30am Morning Prayer

10.00am: Judy Lannane RIP

10.30am Tea & Coffee in JP11 Room

6pm Adoration & Confessions (Church)

Friday 17:

9.30am Morning Prayer

10.00am: Peter Kley ann RIP

2pm: Christian Meditation in Church

Saturday 18:

5-5.45pm: Confessions (Church)

6.00pm: John Edward Hunt RIP

Sunday 19: 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

8.30am:

10.30am: Pro Populo (ints)

6.00pm:

Readings: 1st: Is 55, 10-11; Ps: 64, 10-14; 2nd: Rom 8, 18-23; Gos: Mt 13, 1-25

“God often visits us, but most of the time we are not at home”

I am always amazed at how Jesus teaches difficult truths using simple language that can be understood by people from all walks of life. Today, in the parable, He uses the language of a farmer. The sower is a farmer who scatters seed on every kind of soil. What is interesting is that the farmer scatters the same seed, with the same love, on every kind of ground: on the path, on rocky ground, among thorns, and on rich soil. He loves the entire field with the same intensity. He is generous. He desires every kind of terrain to yield a harvest. What makes the difference is receptivity.

This means that God cares for all of us. The only question is how we collaborate with His grace. I like the old saying: "God often visits us, but most of the time we are not at home." He keeps knocking at the door of our hearts, but we are often the ones who fail to open the door and let Him enter. When we receive His Word and cooperate with Him, it produces abundant fruit.

The Hardened Path: This represents a heart full of disappointment, governed by cynicism, resentment, and negativity. It may resemble those who say, "If God loves me, He would not have let this happen," or those who turn away because their prayers seem unanswered. Such hearts conclude that God is powerless or has abandoned them. As a result, the Word of God can hardly take root in them.

The Rocky Ground: This is the heart that enthusiastically receives the Word of God. It is emotional but lacks endurance and depth. When trials or difficulties arise, the seed quickly withers because it has no deep roots.

The Thorny Ground: This is the heart that receives the Word of God but is choked by worldly concerns, the lure of wealth, ambitions, and the pursuit of pleasures. These distractions prevent the Word from bearing fruit.

The Good Soil: This is the heart that is disciplined, faithful, persevering, and consistent. It welcomes the Word of God and allows it to bear abundant fruit.

Today, let each of us ask: In which kind of terrain do I find myself? It is not easy to categorise ourselves, because all four kinds of terrain may coexist within us at different times. Let us pray that where our hearts have become hardened, we may repent; where they are rocky, we may be strengthened through the sacraments; where thorns have grown, we may have the courage to uproot them. And where the soil is good, may God's grace preserve and nourish it so that it continues to bear abundant fruit. Amen.

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We need your help please! Volunteers are needed as catechists, church cleaners after each Mass on Sundays, handy persons, gardeners, and collection counters. If you can help, please contact Fr. Godfrey – your support is greatly appreciated.

St Catherine's Primary School, Vale Drive, High Barnet are looking for a school caretaker to join their school team. The full details are on our school website or click on this link for more information: [Caretaker Vacancy](#)

Hope Corner Community Centre are seeking a part-time cafe assistant to join their friendly team in Mays Lane. Three hours a day with an additional hour on Tuesdays. 9.30am-12.30pm. This is a permanent position. For a job description and application form, please email hopecorner@outlook.com Deadline: 20th July 2026.

A big thank you for all who attended the DVD showing on Padre Pio last Tuesday. We raised £147 for the Redcaps going to Lourdes. Well done all! Sue Francis, Life Ascending Group Leader

Registration sacraments for next pastoral year: are available in the porch and also on our website.

Programmes and forms are available for children & adults who would like to receive to receive sacrament initiation for the year 2026/2027:-

- **Sacrament of Baptism** for under 7s
- **Children aged over 7** (catechetical age) not yet Baptised.
- **Sacrament of Holy Communion for Year 3**
- **Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 10.**
- **RCIA (Adults)** for those who wish to be accepted in the catholic church or adults not yet baptised and/or confirmed.

The deadline to submit the forms for the Sacraments (except Baptism for under 7s), is the 15th September 2026.

MUSIC LITURGY 10.30 MASS:

- Gathering:** 694 All creatures of our God and King
- Psalm** R/ Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.
- Gospel Acc:** Vs: The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower; all who find him will live for ever.
- Offertory:** 979 **O the Word of my Lord (including v.4)**
- Communion:** 980 Your words are spirit and life, O Lord: richer than gold, stronger than death. Your words are spirit and life, O Lord; life everlasting
- Going Forth:** 856 **Take the word of God with you as you go.**



Please remember in your prayers the sick, their families and all who care for them: Rosemary Chester, Catherine Evans, Janine Kelly, Louie Sheehy, Stephen Mealy, Martin Harrison, Victor Annan, Mary Spearman, Alice Power, Carlotta Brunelli, Nula Mole, Linda Quilter, Clare Buckmire, Martin Quilter, Margaret Kelly.

Recently Died: David Kelly, Mary Fallis.

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**OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY: 10.30am-12 noon AND 4.00pm-5.30pm
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & WEEKENDS: CLOSED**

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