

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 18th July, 2021 Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

FEAST DAYS

Tuesday 20th July St. Apollinaris

Apollinaris died in the first century. According to tradition he was a native of Antioch who became bishop of Ravenna. He met a martyr's death and is patron of all who suffer epilepsy and gout.

Wednesday 21st July St Lawrence of Brindisi

(1559 - 1619) Lawrence was a member of the Capuchin Order. He travelled throughout Europe preaching the faith and was a Doctor of the Church. He died in Lisbon.

Thursday 22nd July St. Mary Magdalene Apostle to the Apostles

She was one of the few who remained with Christ during His agony on the cross. With two other women she went to his tomb and found it empty. It was to her that Our Lord first appeared after His resurrection. He asked her to announce His resurrection to the apostles.

Friday 23rd July St. Bridget

Bridget died in Rome in 1373. Mother of eight and a visionary she founded the Bridgettines. She helped bring the papacy back from Avignon to Rome. She is Patron of Europe.

Saturday 24th July St. Sharbhel Makhluf

Sharbel died in 1898. The son of a Lebanese mule driver he was a pious child who eventually ran away to become a Baladite monk, for the last 23 years of his life he lived as a hermit. He was renowned for his holiness and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

Sunday 25th July Seventeenth Sunday of the Year Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 17th	5:30pm	Mass - Anne Gamble RIP	
Sunday 18th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Holy Souls	
Monday 19th	9:30am	Mass - Fr Bruce Dutson intentions	
Tuesday 20th	9:30am	Mass - Victor de Baux RIP	
Wednesday 21st	9:30am	Mass - Nigel Stourton RIP	
Thursday 22nd	9:30am	Mass - Sr Teresa Murphy intentions	
Friday 23rd	9:30am	Mass - Sr Kathleen Walsh intentions	
Saturday 24th	5:30pm	Mass - Eleanor Garvey RIP	
Sunday 25th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - Peter Gannon RIP Mass (EF) - For the People of the Parish	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* On request

- ❖ **NEXT SUNDAY** for the first time we will keep the Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Here are some words written by Pope Francis to mark the day:
"Dear Grandfathers and Grandmothers, Dear Elderly Friends, "I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. "I am with you always" are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone."
- ❖ **AT THE TIME OF WRITING** I still have not heard anything about what the lifting of restrictions this Monday will actually mean for the Church. As and when I have news, I will pass it on.
- ❖ **OF YOUR CHARITY** please pray for all who are sick at this time, especially members of our parish; for those who have died recently: Fr John Burns; and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Roy Bush & Harriet O'Donnell.

Quotation

"She was still seeking the one she had not found, and while she sought, she wept; burning with the fire of love, she longed for him whom she thought had been taken away".

St Gregory the Great (died 604), writing about St Mary Magdalene, whose feast is kept this Thursday.

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 215.00
	Loose	£ 350.00
	Total	£ 565.00
Special	Sea Sunday	£ 187.00
Congregation:	71 Adults & 5 Young People	

Thank you, God bless
Fr. Paul.