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Sunday Reflection: -In the Exodus reading we find the Israelite people, having just escaped from the slavery of Egypt complaining to Moses that they didn't particularly like the menu that was served out in the desert. They begin to think life was far better in Egypt: "Why did we not die in the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content!" They blamed Moses and Aaron for bringing them "to this wilderness to starve... to death". Yet, God did provide for their needs and satisfied their basic hunger with manna and quails. In the Gospel passage, we find another group of people searching for Jesus, because the previous day they ate to their hearts content when Jesus multiplied the barley loaves and fish and satisfied their hunger. Jesus confronts them and accuses them of looking for him because the bread provided only satisfied their physical needs. Jesus presents himself as the sign given by God, who will satisfy all the longings of the human person. He urges the people to look beyond the physical and search for something much deeper. Jesus is calling them to trust and to believe in him and to believe in the one God who sent him: "I am the bread of life. No one who comes to me will ever hunger; no one who believes in me will ever thirst". Jesus uses the first of the "I am" sayings.

Fr. Philip M. Allen OSM (RIP) - We re deeply saddened to report that our Fr. Philip Allen died in Chelsea and Westminster Hospital on the evening of 31st July 2018, after some weeks of severe illness. Fr. Philip was the only son of Ernest George Allen and Mary (nee Feehan), born out of London because of World War II in Ruskin College Oxford on 13th May 1942. He was baptized by Fr. Gerard Corr OSM, on 23rd August 1942 with the names Edward George. Fr. Philip grew up in our Lady of Dolours Parish here in London and attended the Servite Primary School, and later he attended the Cardinal Vaughan Secondary School. He felt called to enter the Servite Order and began his Novitiate on 30th October 1960, making his First Profession of Vows on 1st November 1961. He did his Philosophy at the Servite Priory, Newbury. He then went to Sant' Allesio College in Rome for his Theological studies. He made his Solemn Vows on the Feast of All Saints of the Order, 16th November 1964. He was ordained to the Priesthood here in Our Lady of Dolours Parish Church on 22nd July 1967. Fr. Philip used to boast that he had received all his Sacraments at his Parish Servite Church in London. It is indeed fitting that he should complete his earthly Pilgrimage here many years later. Fr. Philip's remains will be received into the church on Wednesday 8th August at 5.45pm with Mass at 6.30pm. Mass of the Resurrection will be on Thursday 9th August at 10am followed with burial at Gunnersbury at 12Noon. May he rest in God's Peace

Summer Changes - During the Month of August, we will only have One Mass each week day (Monday - Friday). On Mon, Wed and Frid Mass will be celebrated at 10am each morning and on Tues and Thurs Mass will be celebrated at 6.30pm each day. We hope and pray this will facilitate our weekly Mass goes. We trust you understand. On Saturdays and Sundays, Masses will be as usual. All Mass intentions received will be honoured.

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm

(Lunch Hour 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm

Sunday 8.30am

10am

(Spanish) 11.15am

12.15pm

7pm

Mon/Wed/Fri -10am

Tues/Thurs - 6.30pm

Sat -10am & 6.30pm

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri 6.15 - 6.30pm

Saturday 10.45 - 11.15am

6.00 - 6.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon - Fri 10.30 am - 11.15am

Rosary - Wednesdays 10.30am, followed by Tea/Coffee in the Founders Room.

Legion of Mary - Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

Charismatic Prayer Group: Will return on next Thursday 2nd August.

Saints Days

Mon 6th - The Transfiguration of The Lord

Tue 7th - Ss Sixtus II, St Cajetan

Wed 8th - St Dominic

Thu 9th - St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Fri 10th - St Lawrence

Sat 11th - St Clare

Eucharistic Congress:

Liverpool, 7-9 September 2018. Our Cardinal calls us to the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.