### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Brian Mason, Eamonn Clinton, Mariana Eisler, Bridie Daly, Zofia, Michal and Jerzy Matuszewski, Bridie Clifford, Martha Cleary and all the faithful departed.

#### OUR SATURDAY MORNING MASS IS OFFERED FOR THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND

# 15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 2025

Saturday 12th July

SUNDAY 13th

8.30 am Bridie Daly(RIP)
10.00 am 15th SUNDAY
11 NORDIANRY TIME

12 Noon The People of the Parish
6.00 pm 
Monday 14th

9.30 am -

Tuesday 15th 9.30 am

10.30 am Tuesday Morning Prayer Group

St Bonaventure, Bishop 11.30 am Funeral Mass of Martha Cleary (RIP)

& Doctor of the Church 2.30pm St Anthony Prayer Group

Wednesday 16th No Mass today. Church is closed.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Thursday 17th 9.30am -

Friday 18th 9.30 am Deceased of Matuszewski family,

inc. Zofia, Michal & Jerzy

Saturday 19th 10.00 am The sick and housebound

10.30am Adoration and Benediction

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10.30 - 11.20AM ; 5.00 - 5.40PM OR BY ARRANGEMENT

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY 11AM - 3PM, (Closed on Wednesday)



## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF St THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, FULHAM

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When the man reputed to have the highest IQ in the world speaks, people listen. That's exactly what happened when Dr. YoungHoon Kim – officially recognized for having a record-breaking IQ took to social media to proclaim his Christian faith. The 36-year -old South Korean scientist recently posted a simple yet profound message to his X (Twitter) profile: "As the world's highest IQ record holder, I believe that Jesus Christ is God, the way and the truth and the life." The post racked up over 22 million views within days, with hundreds of thousands of reactions.



In a world that often pits intelligence against belief, Kim's unabashed declaration of faith has proven to be a remarkable and inspiring witness to countless onlookers. A great Jubilee story... Kim was astonished and humbled by the massive response to his tweet. However, rather than bask in internet fame, he quickly made it clear he has a higher purpose in mind. In a follow-up post, the genius-turned-evangelist wrote that he "will use this opportunity to lead many souls to God" He then punctuated that intent with a short exclamation of trust: "Amen. Christ is my logic." These four simple words – "Christ is my logic" – succinctly capture Kim's conviction that faith and reason go hand in hand. In his view, the ultimate foundation of truth isn't human intellect alone, but the divine Logos (Word) himself. It's a sentiment that echoes the Catholic Church's long-held teaching that faith and reason are complementary; as St. John Paul II famously wrote: "Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth."

Here is a man who has analysed countless philosophies and ideologies, and still he joyfully proclaims that Jesus Christ is God. In fact, Kim explained on X that after exhaustive study, "only Christianity provides a logically sound solution to the problem of evil, suffering, and salvation." Kim's bold stance has resonated with many. Positive reactions poured in from around the globe, particularly from fellow Christians heartened to see such a high-profile intellect defending the faith.

Indeed, history is filled with brilliant scientists, writers, and thinkers whose faith in Christ went hand in hand with their genius.

For countless people, seeing "the world's smartest man" unabashedly praise the Lord has been a source of encouragement for "Pilgrims of Hope!" Fr James

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN GIVING

Don't forget you can also make an offering via the '*Touch & Tap*' at the door. For details of methods of Planned Giving, see the leaflet at the door of Church. Parish bank account details are below, and on the website *Donate* page.

PARISH BANK DETAILS: HSBC Sort code: 40-05-20 Acct. No.: 11263137

Acct name: WRCDT ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY FULHAM

**THANK YOU:** For your support last weekend for the collection for *PETER'S PENCE*: The total collected was £670. To support this collection, the Secretariat for the Economy and the Dicastery for Communication of the Holy See have prepared a website, <u>ObolodiSanPietro.va</u>, containing information about Peter's Pence, as well as materials to illustrate its significance.

"SEA SUNDAY": Sea Sunday is THIS SUNDAY. On this day we pray for all ministry to seafarers and workers, and there's a collection for the work of *Stella Maris* (formerly, the *Apostleship of the Sea*), the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church. The ministry to those who work at sea is vital for the future of Stella Maris and its support of seafarers and fishers in the UK and around the world. There are envelopes for Gift Aid donations at the doors.

**St THOMAS' FRIENDS FOR FRIENDS SUMMER BBQ:** 3 August after 12Noon Mass on the Terrace. Come and join *Friends For Friends* for a Parish Get Together.Can you help with bringing something to eat, drink, or help with logistics? Contact Katrina Goodwin at katrinagoodwinmurphy@gmail.com

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! With the emerging new shape to Sunday morning it would be good if we could re-activate two things between 10am and 12Noon Masses: THE REPOSITORY SHOP, OR PIETY STALL for the sale of rosaries, candles and all other articles of devotion, and TEA/COFFEE ETC IN THE HALL/NO. 62. First, we need to find willing volunteers to head up the organisation of these things. Interested? Send an email to the parish email, or contact details to Fr James or Deacon Wayne.

**SOCIETY OF St VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP):** Thanks to everyone who came to either information evenings with a view to setting up a Conference of the SVP in the parish. The SVP provides an umbrella structure to organise voluntary work in the parish. There will be a follow-up meeting to take this further on *TUESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER at 7.30pm in No.62*. Still open to any interested, or just curious, but at this meeting we hope to formally sign up members to start the actual founding of a local Conference. In the meantime, ask Fr James for info, and visit svp.org.uk

SEE WWW.catholicgkchestertonsociety.co.uk FOR THE ANNUAL GK CHESTERTON PILGRIMAGE, 26 JULY: See poster for more details of how to join part or all of this event and also possibly sponsor the work of the Good Counsel Network, so precious in the present climate of UK "culture."

JOB OPPORTUNITY WITH MANNA CHARITY: See poster for details of position of Senior Housing & Welfare Advice Worker. Also at website www.mannasociety.org.uk.

WE BELIEVE FESTIVAL, JULY: WeBelieve is a Festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, taking place on the beautiful grounds of St Mary's College, Oscott, on July 25th-28th. It is a festival of the whole Church, platforming its ministries, creatives and people, for the renewal of the Church in the UK. WeBelieve is for everyone, but it has been built with families and parishes in mind. This festival offers Catholic families the opportunity to meet other faithful families and offers dedicated content streams for children and teens. For parishes, WeBelieve is an opportunity to receive some inspiring faith formation together, to bond as a community and to celebrate the Jubilee in a really tangible way. The festival is bringing together a great line-up of contributors, including Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray OP, Monsignor Michael Nazir-Ali, The Southwell Consort and many more. See poster in church for more information.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION: National Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life to Walsingham, Sat 2 August, Led by Bishop John Keenan of Paisley diocese, Scotland. All invited to join in this pilgrimage either in person or via the Shrine livestream at https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/. Details of the day and travel arrangements can found found at www.prolifepilgerimage.org

**DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE AYLESFORD PILGRIMAGE:** A celebration of St Faustina's birthday at Aylesford Priory, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 25 Aug from 10:30 am - 4pm. Including teaching on the Message of Divine Mercy, Mass, Hour of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Adoration, Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on <u>07957594646</u> for info. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

WEBSITE "E-ALERTS": On the Website Home Page you can now subscribe to "E-Alerts." This means we will send an email weekly with the Newsletter and any notices, and send out any other short-notice information as it happens. This hasn't got off the ground just yet, but will do soon!

**PATTERN OF WORSHIP:** Up-to-date schedule of times for Mass, Sacrament of Reconciliation and church opening times can be found on the website, and on posters in the windows of No.62 and inside the door of church.

GOING AWAY THIS SUMMER?: If you are lucky enough to have vacation time this summer and are going away, now is the time to plan your Sunday Obligation. Google the local Catholic Church and join the local community...Fr James always welcomes parish Newsletters and bulletins from anywhere and any language! Bring one back from where you get to!