

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

To confine oneself to instruction and practice in literature, or grammar, or philosophy, or any other secular knowledge, without arriving at the Gospel, in which salvation stands, is to be like someone who stops on the way in the middle of his journey without going forward to his destination, (Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (9th September 2018)

Gospel – Mark 7:31-37

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."



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Week starting 1st September 2018 **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** **IN THE PARISH**

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection

Second Collection - this weekend after Mass, all proceeds will be split, between the victims of flooding in Kerala and the victims of the earthquake in Indonesia. Thank you for your help.

Monday Exposition – Resumes next Monday 10th September

Ascribed Meeting – this Tuesday (4th) at 7p.m. in Gentili House

St Cross Hospital Mass – Fr Paul Birch will be celebrating Mass at St Cross this Tuesday (4th) at 1:30 p.m.

RUG Meeting – is this Wednesday (5th) in Gentili House at 7pm.

Parish Feast - will take place next Saturday (8th). In preparation for the feast we have 9 days of Novena. On the day of the feast Saturday (8th) we will have our two Masses, at 9.30a.m. and 6 p.m. During the Evening Mass we can all participate with Singing, Bidding Prayers and a Candle Procession around the church, we will recite the Rosary during the procession. Finally there will be a shared table in Hibbert's Hall. Please bring some food for the shared table. It is **our** parish celebration and I invite all of you to take part. Thank you.

Sunday 9th September - is the final day of the Eucharistic Congress. We will have Benediction on Sunday morning at 9.30 a.m., followed by Solemn Celebration of the Eucharist. **There will be no Sunday Evening Mass at 6pm.** Thank you.

Fr. Justus Okibo- is moving on from our parish to be a Parish Priest at St. Joseph's Cardiff. We are planning to organize a send off for him on Wednesday 19th September at 6pm with a Mass and shared table in Hibbert's Hall afterwards. We will arrange a large card for all to sign, and a collection to buy him a gift. There is a box at the entrance for you to leave your contribution for Fr. Justus's send off. Thank you

R.C.I.A. (Journey of Faith) – the next meeting will be Tuesday 11th September at 7pm for 7.30pm in Gentili House. Reflecting on the Sacraments of Holy Matrimony and Holy Order.

Life Ascending - Meeting on Thursday 13th September after Mass in the Coach House . New members are very welcome. Contact Angela Harries on 817236 for more information

Future Events- Rugby Male Voice choir on Friday 28th September at 7p.m.

Faure Requiem on Friday 9th November at 5.30p.m Rugby School Singing.

Christmas Market – in Hibbert's Hall on Saturday 1st December at 12 Noon to 3 p.m.

Crib outside the Church - was such a big success last year, with so many families bringing their children to see. We are now looking for sponsors to buy an Ass and an Ox. Please speak to Ruth Clensy or Fr. Tom.

Welcome!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office open from 09.00 – 12.30 on Tuesday Wednesday Thursday and Friday

Prayer Corps - are on the table by the old baptistry. Please use them to pray for our parish and for the various needs of our world. All are welcome to take a copy..

Heritage Open Days in September - Our church will be open this Thursday (6th) to Sunday 9th September and for this to work, volunteers are needed to cover the hours of 11.30am - 4.30pm Thursday to Saturday and also Sunday afternoon. We need Greeters, Tour Guides, and Providers of Tea and Biscuits! See if you can help and No one should work alone, so why not ask a friend to come with you? Please either let Margaret 541705 / mnosowska@btinternet.com) or the office know if you are interested.

Pilgrimage of the Sick to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford There will be a Pilgrimage led by Bishop Robert Byrne. To take place at 3 pm on Sunday 16th September. For further information contact: Fr Jeremy Howard, 01543 422576 or email lol.hednesford@gmail.com

Walsingham Mass for the Dowry of Mary - on Sunday 16th September, coach will leave St Marie's at 7a.m. and return at 8 p.m. You will need to bring a pack lunch with you. Please contact Brida Handforth on 331593 or Kathleen Flanagan on 334787

LIFE Shop - The Life charity's recent search for a specialist to sell items online from Rugby resulted in our loyal volunteer, Scott Baker. Scott is now looking, for eBAY VOLUNTEERS able to do any of the varied aspects of the process, including sort stock, research items, photograph items, package and shipping, and other helpful tasks as required. Hours can be flexible to suit all needs.

Parish Diary 2019 - are available by the Old Baptistry, for 50p each.

Sponsor a Brick/Angel- Final chance to amend the names before we finalise the plaque. If sponsors would like to check the details they have provided, then please contact the office.

Fr. Binu- will be with us until October. He has just completed a Masters from Edinburgh University. He is leaving U.K. to work in Bangalore in one of our formation houses.

Parish Priest's Diary

Monday:- Mass at School / Meeting

Tuesday:- Meetings

Wednesday:- Funeral Service/ Meeting

Thursday:- Meetings

Friday:- School Mass/ Wedding Rehearsal

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

1st September - 8th September 2018

SATURDAY 1st September– Vigil for Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for George & Lucy Welton R.I.P.

SUNDAY 2nd September – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Deceased Members of Glenny & Maloney Families R.I.P. and at

6.00 p.m. for Well-Being of Derek Larkin

Baptism at 11.15 a.m. of Bradley Francis Lee Philips

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Coffee/Tea after 10 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall

MONDAY 3rd September - Feast of St Gregory the Great

Mass at 10 a.m. for Eddie Baxter R.I.P.

NO 7.00 p.m. Mass

TUESDAY 4th September – Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Robert Dempsey R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 5th September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Bessie Walsh R.I.P.

Funeral Service 11.30a.m. Bernard Gooch R.I.P.

THURSDAY 6th September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Thanksgiving to St. Jude

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 7th September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Sister Teresa Daley R.I.P.

School Mass at 11a.m.

SATURDAY 8th September – Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Confessions 10 to 11a.m. and from 5.30 to 5.55p.m.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Mass at 6 p.m. for Ron & Rose Craig R.I.P.

† PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: †

Tom Donnelly, Terry Treacy, Derek Larkin, Sharon Collieran, Rachel Mears, Baby Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior.

† RECENTLY DIED †

Jose Silverio R.I.P.

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Fionnuala Platt, Lawrence McGrath, Violet Eeckelaers

We welcome into our Christian community Bradley Francis Lee Philips who is being baptised this Sunday.