

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The love, which our holy religion inspires in its faithful followers, is the radiant proof of its truth; and this love often convinces even the most obstinate of opponents.

(Antonio Rosmini)

### Next Week's Gospel Reading

**Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
(8<sup>th</sup> October 2017)

**Gospel – Matthew 21:33-43**

“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom.

### Prayer for the Parish -

Almighty God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of your people. Grant to our parish all things needful for its spiritual welfare and, through the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, may we be of one heart and mind in the fold of Your Holy Church. To the honour and glory of Your Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Prayer for Vocation -

O God, you are the Lord of the harvest. We pray to you that men and women may hear the call of Christ your Son, to work in your vineyard. May they answer the call generously. May we, with them, serve you faithfully all our days so that your faithful people may grow in numbers and favour in your sight. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**Week starting 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017**  
**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**IN THE PARISH**

**Sunday Collection** – Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1119.13

**Mission Appeal**– next weekend Fr. Raphael will be preaching at all Masses introducing the Holy Ghost Fathers and their mission around the world. The retiring collection will be for the support of their Missionary work.

**Father Hudson's Care.** Many thanks for generous response a total of £188.01 was collected.

**Monies raised to date for Spire Restoration £65,600**

**Church Spire Restoration** - You can sponsor Half a brick for £50 a Full brick for £100, or sponsor one Angel Wing for £750. The name of the sponsor can be added to the brick. **We need** as many Sponsors as possible. Please contact the parish office or Fr. Tom.

**St Cross Hospital Mass** - Fr. Paul Burch will be celebrating Mass at St. Cross this Tuesday (3<sup>rd</sup>) at 1:30pm

**RUG Meeting** – this Tuesday (3<sup>rd</sup>) at 7 p.m. in the Convent. We are in need of more volunteers to visit our parishioners who are housebound. If you are able to help please contact Kitty on 815561.

**Silent Prayer Meeting** - this Thursday (5<sup>th</sup>) at 2 p.m. in the Convent.

**Praying with Icons** – on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Led by Sr. Annette Lawrence DMJ at Mater Ecclesiae Convent. Please bring your own lunch. Please see notice board for more information

**Polish Evening with Music and Food in aid of 'Spire Appeal'** – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30 p.m. "Senza Nome" 'The Number One' Polish Choir of the Midlands. They sing in Polish and English, the Choir have performed all around the UK and Europe, they have performed at the Polish Embassy, Belgrade Theatre and Ricoh Stadium. Tickets £10 for Adults, £3 for Children. On sale after all week-end Masses, can be purchased from the Sacristy, Senza Nome website, or Michael on 07817243814. Please support this initiative.

**Dates for your Diary - Parish Events:-**

**Rugby Raise The Roof II** - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November in Hibbert's Hall 8p.m.till late Featuring the Band 'Massive Happy'. Price £10 entry on the door. Bar all night.

**Revival in the House** - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December in St Marie's Church, 6p.m. -11p.m. Featuring, Coventry & Warwickshire Gospel Choir. Price £5 Adults £3 Children entry on the door. Bar and snacks at interval, before and afterwards. Both are Fundraising for the Spire Restoration Appeal. (Evening Mass will be 4.30pm)

**Christmas Luncheon** – Our retired parishioners are invited to join us for the Christmas lunch on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December beginning with Holy Mass at 11.30am. It is a beautiful occasion for all our parishioners to attend with Rugby School singing at Mass and Carols from our Primary school. If you would like to attend, but have not previously done so, or if you know of anyone who should be on our list (maybe recently arrived parishioners) please advise the office, 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**

### IN THE PARISH continued...

**Parents of Year 3 Children – Our First Holy** Communion Lessons start shortly. Children attending St Marie's school will be given the application form from school. Children not going to St. Marie's can collect the application form from the parish office, open Tuesday to Friday 9 a.m. till 12.30 p.m. The details of the parents meeting will be on the application form.

**Come Dine with The Catenians** - Our next evening will be this Tuesday (3<sup>rd</sup>) at 7.15 p.m. at the Draycote Manor Hotel on the A 45 near Dunchurch. The pre-dinner talk is on Stained Glass. Please phone Pat or Sybil Herlihy for details or to book on 01788 890590 or psherlihy166@btinternet.com. You do not have to be a Catenian to enjoy the fun.

**Rugby Revive Churches** - Prisons Week Service at 6.30pm next Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October at Bilton Evangelical Church. Guest Speaker is Paul Cowley.

**Fatima News** - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October marks the centenary of Our Lady's last apparition and great miracle at Fatima. St Peter's, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AE is a pilgrimage church for the Birmingham Archdiocese during the Fatima Centenary Year and there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from **9.30am to 12.20pm and 5pm to 6pm**. This will be the last chance to gain the special indulgence when you visit St Peter's on that day. There will be a special votive Mass for Our Lady of Fatima at 12.30pm. For other information contact Peter Dimambro 01926 428399

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**Job Opportunities** - 1. Draycote Benefice of Churches Vacancy for a part-time Administrative Assistant. 2. Clerk to the Governors for all Full Governing Body Meetings (4 per year) as well as Committee Meetings (9 meetings per year). Please see notice board for further information.

**Thank you** – to everyone for making the Wanda Fashion Show on Thursday such an enjoyable evening. Many thanks to May Bannigan, Models, Helpers and to all who attended, and brought tickets. Thank you for all the hard work.

### Parish Priest's Diary:-

**Monday to Wednesday:-** Council meeting in Dublin.

**Thursday:-** Hospital visit/ Wedding Meeting

**Friday:-** Communion round.

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK 30<sup>th</sup> September - 7<sup>th</sup> October 2017

### SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> September – Vigil for Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Confessions** 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

**Mass** at 6.00 p.m. for Well- Being of Phyllis McGinn

### SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> October – Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Mass** at 10 a.m. for Clare Bedford R.I.P. and at

6.00 p.m. for Ben Gibbard R.I.P.

**Baptism** at 11.15 a.m. of Oscar James Brosnan

**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

**Parish Shop** open in Coach House after 10 a.m. Mass

### MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Memorial of the Guardian Angels

**Mass** at 10 a.m. Alan Morgan R.I.P. for and at

7.00 p.m. for Joe Crowley R.I.P.

**Adoration** 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the church. (Morning Prayer at 8:50 a.m.)

### TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Feria in Ordinary Time

**Mass** at 10 a.m. for Jean & Peter Bourne R.I.P.

### WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> October - Memorial of St Francis of Assisi

**Mass** at 10.00 a.m. for Thanksgiving to St. Therese of Lisieux

### THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> October - Feria in Ordinary Time

**Mass** at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions

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

### FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> October - Feria in Ordinary Time

**Mass** at 10 a.m. for Edward Deery R.I.P.

### SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> October - Memorial of Our Lady to the Rosary

**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 Trevor Harris R.I.P.

### † PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: †

Tom Donnelly, Elsie Johnson, Jade Lambert, DeeDee Flint, Piotr Fior, John Ritter, Kerry Livesey. Rupert Nigam, Paul Kelly. Patrick Hannifin, Baby Freddie Fereday.

### † RECENTLY DIED †

Canon David Mellor.

### † FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Henry Buckley, Rita Guryn, James Divver, Doreen McTurk, Stella Clarke, Elizabeth Bedford, Clare Bedford, Edward Deery.

We welcome into our Christian community Oscar James Brosnan who are being baptised this Sunday.