

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our God is the God of truth, and our Lord is Truth in person; but sad to say, in the world truth is little loved, and so God is little loved.
(Antonio Rosmini)



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Next Week's Gospel Reading

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (6th August 2017)

Gospel – Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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 29th July 2017 **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collection – Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £969.57

Monies raised to date for Spire Restoration £48,400

Church Spire Restoration - Interior work of the Spire has now been completed. Photos showing this will be displayed on the Notice Board. Agreement has now been made on the Exterior Stone Work, Angels and Wings. We will be repairing four of the existing Wings, and replacing the other four. You can sponsor half a brick for £50 a full brick for £100, or sponsor an Angel for £1000. The name of the sponsor can be added to the brick. **We need** as many Sponsors as possible. Please contact the parish office or speak to Fr. Tom. We hope for the work to be completed by the end of September.

Stefan Peter R.I.P. - Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday (1st) at 10 a.m. for Stefan Peter who died in January.

St Cross Hospital Mass - Fr. Tom will be celebrating Mass at St. Cross this Tuesday (1st) at 1:30pm

RUG Meeting – this Tuesday (1st) at 7 p.m. in the Convent. New members are always Welcome.

Schola Cantorum - "Angelus Cantat" - will be singing in our church next Saturday 5th August at 7:30pm. The choir consists of members of two Glubczyce school choirs. Glubczyce choral traditions are almost 30 years old. It all started when Tadeusz Eckert created a mixed choir in September 1988 at his high school. The choir soon became successful at national choral competitions and was awarded with numerous prizes and awards, however, the most prestigious ones are: Golden Bands Award and Grand Prix received during the National Choir Competition. There will be re-tiring collection for the Spire Restoration. All Welcome.

Parish BBQ – on Sunday 13th August after 10 a.m. Mass. To be held in St Marie's Infants School Grounds. It is a 'Parish Social Event' for everybody to attend. It will give us all an opportunity to meet and greet parishioners attending different Masses and all are Welcome. If you are able to attend please add your name to the list in the porch.

Parish Feast & Flower Show- we have our Parish Feast on Friday 8th September. There will be Mass at 10a.m. and 6p.m. followed by a meal in Hall at 7pm. If you are attending the meal, please add your name to the list in the porch, cost £7.50. Novena to our Lady will begin on Thursday 31st August. We are also arranging a Flower Show in connection with our Parish Feast. The Church will be opened on the 8th, 9th & 10th September from 9 a.m until 7p.m. We have invited our Christian churches around Rugby to be part of the flower show. If any of our Parish Groups want to be part of the show please contact **Mary Shoebridge** on 578091. It is the Marian theme we have chosen for the show. There will be flyers and names of the participants, available to you all soon. **All are invited** to be part of this Parish Community Initiative.

Flower Show Volunteers Required - **We will need** two people to welcome our visitors throughout the 3 days that the show is open. Please try and spare an hour (or two), there is a rota in the Church Porch to add your name. Please be generous with your time, at this special event.

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

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Last few items Toiletry / Gift Sale – this Sunday Morning after Mass outside Church, providing the weather is fine, if not then it will take place inside Hibbert's Hall. In aid of the Spire Restoration Appeal.

Fr. Michael Hill's Book- The Rosminian Mission 'The Sowers of the Second Spring'. Copies are now available with Fr. Tom. Cost £15.

Fr. Charles Sormany- will join the Rosminian Community at Gentili House in August. He has been at St. Mary's Parish at Loughborough for over 20 years. We Welcome Fr. Charles to our Community.

Hospital Service - next Sunday 6th August 2:15p.m to 2:40 p.m. in the Chapel of St Cross Hospital Barby Road. All Welcome

Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall – on Sunday 3rd September. Mass at 3 p.m. Confessions from 1:45p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Principal Celebrant & Preacher Rt. Rev. Robert Byrne Co. Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham. Free Parking Teas and Picnic Area. Free times tours of Harvington Hall are available, and may be booked on the day. It is essential that you bring your own chairs.

Rugby Walsingham Group - are going to Walsingham for the pilgrimage on Sunday 10th September. Since this is the Centenary Year of Our Lady Fatima and many people will be unable to get to Fatima. You can celebrate the Centenary at Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham. This year the coach size has been reduced to just 35 seats. The cost is just £7 (which has been greatly subsidised by the Rugby Group). The coach will leave St Marie's at 6.30 a.m. and English Martyrs at 7.00.a.m. We shall leave Walsingham immediately after Benediction. In order to secure a seat please give your money and contact details to Mehemt or Louise Mallott on 0787 6656398.

Job Opportunities – Full Time Administrator / Receptionist at Princethorpe College for further details please see notice board or look on the college website www.princethorpe.co.uk/employment-opportunities.

Part-Time Church Finance Administrator at Bilton Evangelical Church. (16 hours per week flexible) Closing date 7th August Please see notice board for further information.

Gift-Aid - please help your parish by joining our Gift Aid Scheme. Please contact **Mike Borg** on 811732 or email:- michaelwba18@gmail.com

Parish Priest's Diary:-

Monday:- Meeting

Tuesday:- Hospital Mass

Wednesday:- Hospital

Thursday:- Requiem/ Confession

Friday:- Meeting

DIARY FOR THE WEEK 29th July - 5th August 2017

SATURDAY 29th July – Vigil for Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Amy Hudson R.I.P.

SUNDAY 30th July – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Michael Considine R.I.P. and at 6.00 p.m. for Dinesh Tyagi R.I.P.

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 31st July - Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola

Mass at 10 a.m. for Amy Hudson R.I.P.

TUESDAY 1st August - Memorial of St Alphonus Mary de'Ligouri

Mass at 10 a.m. for Stefan Peter R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 2nd August - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Maura Redman R.I.P.

THURSDAY 3rd August - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Well- Being Charles Sweeny

11:15 a.m. Requiem for Edward Buckley R.I.P.

Choir Practice will Resume on 7th September

FRIDAY 4th August - Memorial of St John Mary Vianney

Mass at 10 a.m. for Maggie Green & Family

SATURDAY 5th August - Feria in Ordinary Time

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 Shirley Deery 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.

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Andrew Jelfs, Mo Paul