

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Prudence comes with the years; and someone who is still young does not realise how subtle and deep a virtue prudence is, and too readily believes that he possesses it. An older person can always see further than youth can: you should therefore respect age. Take it as a sure fact that prudence consists more often in refraining than in doing; we are seldom sorry for what we have *not* said or done; but much more for our actions and words.

(Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (1st October 2017)

Gospel – Matthew 21:28-32

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?’” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

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 23rd September 2017 **Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time** **IN THE PARISH**

Sunday Collection – Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1022.24

This Week-end - the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care. Father Hudson's mission is to provide Catholic social care in the Archdiocese of Birmingham, reaching out to support vulnerable people young and old. Please give generously.

Catholic Evangelisation (formerly CASE) - Many thanks for generous response a total of £200.01 was collected.

Monies raised to date for Spire Restoration £57,400
Church Restoration - Ian Stubbings will give an update on our fund-raising from "behind the scenes" at all Masses this week-end.

Church Spire Restoration - Interior work of the Spire has now been completed. Photos showing these are 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. The work to be completed the end of September.

UCM Meeting – this Monday (25th) after 7 p.m. with Fish and Chips in the Coach House.

Focus Group Meeting – this Wednesday (27th) at 7p.m. in Hibbert's Hall

Fashion Show in aid of Spire Appeal – this Thursday 28th September at 7:30pm in Hibberts. Tickets are on sale after all Masses. Cost £8 including Glass of wine and nibbles. Hope to see you there.

Polish Evening with Music and Food in aid of Spire Appeal – Saturday 14th 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 Masses, or from the Sacristy, Senza Nome website, or Michael on 07817243814.

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.

Christmas Luncheon – Later this month, invitations will be going out to parishioners for the Christmas lunch on Friday 8th December. 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. This year we are fortunate again to have Rugby School singing at the Mass before the meal in Hibbert's Hall.

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

APF – Envelopes are ready for collection, please return monies by this Sunday (24th)

CAFOD in Sudan and South Sudan - a talk by Bishop Kenney this Thursday (28th) 7.30p.m.- 9p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish, Bilton. Please see Notice Board for further information.

Solemn Novena – this Friday (29th) to Sunday 8th October. Novena Mass twice each day at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., at Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church Nuneaton, in honour of Mary, the Mother of God. Please see poster on Notice Board.

Come Dine with The Catenians - Early Autumn is a good time for a congenial night out in the calm and friendly company of fellow Catholics. We have a private room, 3 course set menu with coffee for £16 pre-dinner talk and after-dinner speaker, all to finish at 10.30 p.m. Couples or individuals are most welcome and booking in advance is required: cancellable within 48 hours. Our next evening will be on Tuesday 3rd October 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. or to Michael McNulty at mmcnulty1952@outlook.com by 29th September." You do not have to be a Catenian to enjoy the fun.

Praying with Icons – on Saturday 7th October 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Led by Sr. Annette Lawrence DMJ Venue Mater Ecclesiae Convent. Bring your own lunch. Please see notice board for more information

Life Shop celebrates 5th Birthday! A huge thank you to everybody involved in the fundraising, locating, opening and running of the Life charity shop on Sheep Street. Thank you to the many donors, hard working and committed volunteers, loyal customers and everybody else who has supported the shop from 2012 to today; you've all made it happen! It's been a rewarding five years for the charity as the shop has raised much needed funds for all of the good support work it does. Thank you to all of the volunteers who come and do a great job and make it a lovely place to work and for customers to shop. We are always grateful to have new volunteers and there are plenty of areas to get involved in, with opportunities from Monday to Saturday to suit. The charity has been putting a lot of work into its online presence to raise awareness and publicise the good work being done; and you can find Life on Facebook, twitter and on the website www.lifecharity.org.uk and the Rugby Life shop has its own Facebook page too!

23rd September - 30th September 2017

SATURDAY 23rd September – Vigil for Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Tony Keeler R.I.P.

SUNDAY 24th September – Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Elizabeth Bedford R.I.P. and at 6.00 p.m. for John Moore R.I.P.

Baptism at 11.15 a.m. of Frederick John Reed

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 25th September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Angelo & Francesca Di Palma R.I.P.

and at 7.00 p.m. for Private Intentions for UCM

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

TUESDAY 26th September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Michael James Williams R.I.P.

Oratory Mass Private Intentions for Claramma Thomas

WEDNESDAY 27th September - Memorial of St

Vincent de Paul

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Restituta Cadangan R.I.P.

THURSDAY 28th September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Colin Daniel Jones (Ordination to Diaconate)

4:30 p.m. Indian Mass

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

FRIDAY 29th September - Feast of Ss Michael,

Gabriel & Raphael

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

SATURDAY 30th September - Memorial of St. Jerome

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 Well- Being of Phyllis McGinn

✠ 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.

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✠

Victor Boulton, Agnieszka Trawicka, Margaret Dean, Alan Morgan

We welcome into our Christian community Frederick John Reed who is being baptised this Sunday.

Congratulations to Tim Kelleher and Clare Williams who are to marry here on Friday (29th)