

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Many spiritual masters declare that all spiritual profit comes from meditation. Since meditation or interior prayer alone obtains grace, vocal prayer itself is unaccompanied by some interior sentiment can obtain nothing.

(Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

(3rd September 2017)

Gospel – Matthew 16:21-27

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done.

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 26th August 2017

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collection – Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1062.28

Monies raised to date for Spire Restoration £55,600

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.

RUG Meeting – next Tuesday 5th September 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.

Parish Feast & Flower Show- we have our Parish Feast next 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. Meal is cooked by 'Hibbert's Kitchen', please support our cooks. 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. Details of the participating Churches are on the flyer. **All are invited** to be part of this Parish Community Initiative. If anyone wants to sponsor St. Marie's flowers, please contact Mary Shoebridge on 571972. There will be coffee/ Tea & Cakes in the hall from 10am until evening. Please take the guests to the Hibbert's Hall.

Flower Show Volunteers Required - We still have a few spaces left on the form in the porch for volunteers, **please** join in this beautiful event.

Rugby Walsingham Group - are going to Walsingham for the pilgrimage on Sunday 10th September. The cost is just £7 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 Memet or Louise Mallott on 0787 6656398.

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

Dates for your Diary - Parish Events:-

Polish Evening with Music and Food – Saturday 14th October in Church & Hibbert's Hall.

Concert Evening - Friday 10th November - in Infant School Ground. **Christmas Market** -Saturday 2nd December - around the Church.

Pray Corps – are available to take by the parish library, for the months of September and November.

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...

Offertory Procession Rota - New Rotas, from September onwards, are available in the Sacristy.

Adoration Volunteers - *Could you spare an hour before the Lord!* We need more volunteers to support our Monday Adoration. Do you want to sign up on the list that's on the parish notice board?. I personally encourage my parishioners to spend an hour before our Lord. You will be changed.

Heritage Open Days - St. Anne's Catholic Church Wappenbury is open all day on Thursday 7th, Friday 8th, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September from 8 a.m to 8 p.m. St. Marie's has great historical links to St. Anne's as people used to walk to St. Anne's in secret to attend Mass whenever the word was spread and a priest was available.

Lay Visitors to St. Cross Hospital – are re-launching their Lay Visitors and encouraging more volunteers to work across the Trust. Each Tuesday from October 3rd to October 31st they will be holding revision and recruitment training sessions, from 1:30 pm – 3:30 p.m. in the Faith Centre at University Hospitals Coventry & Warwickshire for more information email paul.holmes@uhcw.nhs.uk or Tele:- 02476967515

Ministers and Readers - The new rotas have been emailed or left for you in the Sacristy please let Kathy know if you have not received one 01788 891940. Please do remember during this holiday period especially, how important it is that you arrange a stand in if unable to attend Mass when you are on either rota. Many thanks .

CAFOD in Sudan and South Sudan - a talk by Bishop Kenney Thursday 28th September at 7.30p.m. - 9p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish, Bilton. Light refreshments will be served from 7p.m. Bishop Kenney will be sharing his experience of Sudan and South Sudan, and CAFOD's work there. All welcome. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Wignall at ewignall@cafod.org.uk or on 01922 722944. Please see poster on notice board.

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

Parish Priest's Diary:-

Monday:- Meetings/ wedding Prep. Meeting

Tuesday:- Heathrow/Baptism prep. Meeting

Wednesday:- Wedding Meeting

Thursday:- Meetings

Friday:- Mass at School/Wedding Rehearsal

DIARY FOR THE WEEK 26th August - 2nd September 2017

SATURDAY 26th August – Vigil for Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Audrey Foulds R.I.P.

SUNDAY 27th August – Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Harry Supka R.I.P. and at

6.00 p.m. for Peter Loveridge R.I.P.

Baptism at 11.15 a.m. of Charlie Watts

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 28th August - Memorial of St Augustine

Mass at 10 a.m. for Well-Being Robert Longrigg

TUESDAY 29th August - Memorial of the Beheading of Saint John the Baptist

Mass at 10 a.m. for Eunice Adcock R.I.P.

12 Noon Requiem Muriel Edna McGee R.I.P. (Edna)

WEDNESDAY 30th August - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Elizabeth & Victor Treble R.I.P.

THURSDAY 31st August - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Kathleen Bannigan R.I.P.

11:15 a.m. Requiem Stanley Anthony R.I.P.

FRIDAY 1st September - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. Private Intentions for Daniel Pelloquinn

SATURDAY 2nd September - 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.

✠ RECENTLY DIED ✠

Stanley Anthony

✠ FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✠

Ezio Piccoli

Congratulations to Karl Sutton and Leona O'Reilly who were married here this Saturday

We welcome into our Christian community Charlie Watts who is being baptised this Sunday.