

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

How very necessary it is for us Christians, for us priests to love the truth above all things and in all things, the truth which is the only teacher of intellects, which begins to shine naturally in the mind and supernaturally in the light of the divine Word, communicated by sanctifying grace: the complete, substantial and eloquent truth (Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(13th August 2017)

Gospel – Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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 5th August 2017

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collection – Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1019.66

Monies raised to date for Spire Restoration £49,000

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.

Schola Cantorum - "Angelus Cantat" - will be singing in our church this Saturday (5th) at 7:30pm. The choir consists of member's of two Glubczyce school choirs. Glubczyce choral traditions are almost 30 years old. There will be a re-tiring collection for the Spire Restoration. All Welcome.

Hospital Service – this Sunday (6th) at 2:15p.m to 2:40 p.m. in the Chapel of St Cross Hospital Barby Road. All Welcome

Silent Prayer Meeting - this Thursday (10th) at 2 p.m. in the convent.

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 571972. 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.

Catholic Universe – Could you please inform Fr. Tom if you still would like the Catholic Universe Newspaper, otherwise we will cancel our subscription.

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...

Eucharistic Ministers Rotas & Readers Rotas – if you have not received your copy by email please collect from the Sacristy.

AMAYzing Value Stall raised £827.60 (this includes the amount raised on 1st July and various sales after that date). A massive thank you to everybody who has helped us on the stalls. Also, thank you to everybody who bought items from the stalls and all who so generously donated beautiful items for us to sell. Watch this space we shall be asking for further donations in the future!! May and Louise

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 of 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.

Accommodation Needed - We have a mother and two young girls looking for accommodation. They are at present living in a hotel room. If you are able to help, please see Fr. Tom.

Job Opportunities – There are two part-time positions available in Rugby - Please see notice board for further information.

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:- Meeting/ Baptism Preparation.

Tuesday:- Meeting

Wednesday:- Prison visit

Thursday:- Day off.

Friday:- Wedding Rehearsal

DIARY FOR THE WEEK 5th August - 12th August 2017

SATURDAY 5th August – Vigil for Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Shirley Deery R.I.P.

SUNDAY 6th August – Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Mass at 10 a.m. for Joe Matter R.I.P. and at

6.00 p.m. for Deceased Members of Elliott Family R.I.P.

Baptism at 11.15 a.m. of Okikioluwa William Olubisi

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 7th August - FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass at 10 a.m. for Mary Treacy R.I.P.

TUESDAY 8th August - Memorial of St Dominic

Mass at 10 a.m. for Aaron O'Neill R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 9th August - Feast of St Teresa

Benedicta of the Cross

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Cicily Sebastian R.I.P.

THURSDAY 10th August - Feast of St Lawrence

Mass at 10 a.m. for Michael Collins R.I.P.

FRIDAY 11th August - Memorial of St Clare

Mass at 10 a.m. for Angela & Christopher Cole R.I.P.

SATURDAY 12th 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 Alelina D'Souza 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: ✠

Evelyn Loughney, Patrick Elliott, Mary Porter, Megan Sandford, Chelsea Street, Annie Morris

Congratulations to Mark Smith & Gemma Powell who were married here this Saturday

We welcome into our Christian community Okikioluwa William Olubisi who is being baptised this Sunday.