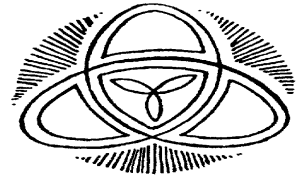


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Newsletter

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

First Reading Wisdom 2:12.17-20
Psalm 53:3-6.R.v6
Second Reading James 3:16-43
Gospel Mark 9:30 - 37

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| 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time | | | | |
| Sat 19th | 5.30 pm | Robert Knight | | |
| Sun 20th | | | Veronica Goodman | 11.00 am Kath King |
| Sun 20th | | | Robert McDonagh | |
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| Mon 21st | 9.15 am | Eucharistic Service | Eucharistic Service | No Service |
| Tues 22nd | 9.15 am | Eucharistic Service | No Service | 7:30pm Eucharistic Service |
| Wed 23rd | 9.15am | Eucharistic Service | Eucharistic Service | 12:15pm Eucharistic Service |
| Thurs 24th | 7.30 pm | Eucharistic Service | No Service | No Service |
| Frid 25th | 9.15 pm | Eucharistic Service | Jean May Hollywood Requiem Mass | 12.15pm Seamus Rooney |
| 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time | | | | |
| Sat 26th | 5.30 pm | Thomas O Reilly | | |
| Sun 27th | | | Paul Meakin | 11.00 am Margaret & Dave Golden Anniversary |
| Sun 27th | | | Catherine Herron | |

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warning his Disciples of what is going to happen to him, - how he will be put to death, and rise again on the third day. His gentleness, his endurance, and his love for us will be proved beyond all doubt. Then Jesus asks his Disciples what they had been talking about on the road. The Disciples then were highly embarrassed, as they had been wondering which of them would be the leader when Jesus was no longer with them. Jesus tells them that true greatness lies in being the servant of others. He then stands a young child in the middle of the group, saying "Anyone who welcomes one of these children in my name, welcomes me"

To welcome is to respect and to serve, the way a host welcomes a guest-even a stranger. It is to be concerned for the well-being of another person. The focus is on them, rather than on oneself. And the child surely represents all who are powerless, neglected, and marginalised-the poor, the sick, the disabled, and now, especially, the refugees and immigrants. "Love for others, and in the first place, love for the poor, in whom the Church sees Christ himself, is made concrete in the promotion of justice." (Pope John Paul)11.

Psalm:

The Lord upholds my life.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

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Next Week s Readings:

First Reading Numbers 11;25 -29

Psalm 18:8,10,12-14.R.v9

Second Reading James 5:1-6

Gospel Mark 9:38 - 43,45,47 - 48

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The parish are organising a Macmillan coffee morning on Sunday 27th September in the parish centre after the 9.30 Mass. We are looking for volunteers to run a stall and need donations. Please add your name to the list on the noticeboard at the back of church if you are willing to help or speak to Joyce, Win, Angela or Donna. Thanks.

The Offertory Collection was £ 722.93 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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ST MARGARET WARD

CHARITY RACE NIGHT

St Margaret Ward Charity Race Night - Saturday 10th October

All Saints Parish Centre 7.30pm -

Tote opens 8.00 - First Race 8.15

Race Sponsorship and Horses on sale now.

Race Sponsor - £10.00

Horse Owner - £3.00

Contact Mark Caffrey or Dave Law

Race programmes on sale soon £1.00 each

All funds raised go to the Orphanage in Bolivia, and to Feed Children in the Philippines.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION OF JOHN MAIN OSB.

This group meets every Tuesday at St Margaret Ward 7.30pm. The aim is to go beyond words, thoughts and images into the presence of God within. We listen to a talk on CD usually of John Main or another member of the Christian Meditation Community, we then meditate together, followed by a discussion/reflection. All welcome. Contact Pat Higgins 962 8661

The Offertory Collection was £ 321.49 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PANTASAPH TRIP - SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER

Can we remember in our prayers today all attending the Pantasaph trip. We wish them a happy and safe trip.

The Offertory Collection was £ 275.97 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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relationship with God and also instil a sense of peace and calm in your life.

The Prayer Group will re-convene after the summer break on Wednesday, 9th September, at All Saints following the 7.30 evening Mass. The meeting will take just 30 minutes of your time. All parishioners are invited to come. You can express their views as to the timing and venue of the prayer meeting. Is the group meeting at the right time and in the right place? Come and encounter the peace of Christ.

NORTH CHESHIRE SERRA

Meetings are at "Westleigh", Groby Road, Altrincham. On Mondays, Mass is at 7.15pm following by a light supper and the talk. Everyone ,welcome. Please ring Gerry Lanigan (Tel: 428 9103) on or before the Friday preceding the meeting, if possible.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We gave you these dates earlier in the year and we want to remind you for your diaries.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS DAY Saturday 24th October 2015

READERS DAY Saturday 21st November 2015

These days will take place at All Saints and will be 9am till 1pm

ADVENT EVENINGS

We will have two evenings taking time for reflection with Margaret Lillis and Sr Catherine Darby:

Tuesday 1st December 2015

Tuesday 8th December 2015

The Advent Evenings will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes after the evening Mass.

Please put all these important dates in your diaries. Thank you

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ALL SAINTS

BIDDING PRAYERS

Here is a reminder to those of you who volunteered to write bidding prayers for September./October. A full list of volunteers until the end of November is pinned to the noticeboard at the back of church. Many thanks for offering to do so.

SEPTEMBER

20th Joe Keaney

27th Paul Mativenga

OCTOBER

4th Kath Farmer

11th Theresa Dwyer

18th Christina Ayres

25th The Donne family

Please drop your contribution into the sacristy or email to: parishes3@yahoo.com by the Friday before. Many thanks.

ALL PARISHES

THREE SCHOOL MASS : STAFF & GOVENORS

On 29th September at 4pm. our usual three school Mass to celebrate the beginning of another school year. This Mass is for teachers , all staff and governors. Please let your head know if you plan to be there as we also have a buffet. It takes place at Our Lady of Lourdes 29th September 4pm.

MONDAY CLUB

Pauline Coward, another one of our parishioners, visited this week and guided us through the Benefits System with an interesting talk and some very poignant anecdotes. Thank you Pauline.

Next week, 21st September, Geoff Scargill is coming to talk about "Life after....." no not death, after school. The following week, 28th we are having a "Bring and Win" and the first week in October will be a quiz.

S.V.P.

September is S.V.P. Awareness Month. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society in England and Wales has around 10,000 members who, last year, made over500,000 visits to those in need.

The theme this year is "Happy Families?" Finding, loving and serving God in our communities is fundamental to the Society's work. The S.V.P. is always in need of new members to carry out this work. If you would like to find out more please contact your parish

Conference or S.V.P. National Office on 020 7703 3030 or e-mail info@svp.org.uk There is also more information on the notice board in the entrance hall.



CHARITY AUCTION

Items have been coming in over the last few weeks but we really could do with some more. Why not have a look and see if there are any items such as unwanted gifts, Bottles , new toiletries sets and good as new items that will be appropriate to auction. Please leave any items at any of the parishes that will be acceptable for the auction. We have booked the charity auction to be held at the parish centre on the 30th October. Viewing will begin at 7:30 and the funds will go to All Saints Roof Fund.

RCIA

That time of year again, do you want to know more about the Catholic Faith, or do you know someone who might be interested in knowing more. The programme will begin in September and if you know of someone who might be interested then give the secretary a ring on 962 4444 on a Wednesday and we can sign you up.

SICK VISITS

Please remember to let Fr Ned know if there are any parishioners who are sick in the parish and if they wish to have a visit .

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

We now have put the following dates in the Parish Diary for our next Parish Council Meeting.

Tuesday 13th October Our Lady of Lourdes

Wednesday 14th October All Saints

Thursday 15th October St Margaret Ward.

All meetings will take place after the evening Masses. Members of the Parish Councils please put this date in your diaries.

BROOKLANDS CATENIANS

At the start of a new school academic year, Brooklands Catenians would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody either starting school for the first time or returning after the Summer holidays, a successful and enjoyable year ahead. Brooklands Catenians continue to work closely with our Catholic youngsters from organising the annual Primary schools cross country competition to the Sixth formers public speaking contest. In addition to this, Catenians also issues bursary grants enabling our youngsters to involve themselves in projects for the benefit of the community at home or abroad. Catenians is all about Friendship, Faith, Family & Fun and if you would like to find out more about us then please see the leaflets on the Church notice boards or contact Graham & Sue Perkins by email: graham.perkins2@ntlworld.com or via the website Ourparishes.church and follow the link under "Our community". Go on give us a go, we are a friendly bunch.....honest."

TRADCRAFT

Tea is important - why?

Over 20 million people in the developing world are reliant on the tea industry. 10% of Kenya's population (or 3.8 million) is employed in the tea sector

Within the tea trade, smallholder tea farmers and workers benefit the least.

- Many have extremely hard lives, which are physically demanding, with low levels of pay.
- Tea estate workers can be totally dependent on the estates for wages, healthcare, schooling and sanitation leaving them with little control over their lives.
- Smallholder tea growers often have no choice but to sell their tea through middlemen with little bargaining power to earn a better price.

Tea prices fluctuate leaving growers vulnerable.

Could you support these workers by buying one of Traidcraft's wide range of high quality teas?

SHREWSBURY DIOCESE LOURDES

Shrewsbury Diocese Lourdes Hospitality will be holding an extraordinary meeting at 2.00pm on Sunday, 18th October 2015 at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Witton Street, Northwich, CW9 5NP, as agreed at the recent AGM. All members of the Hospitality are welcome. For further details contact Honorary Secretary, Kath Emsley, at kathemsley@gmail.com.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE 2016 -ST JOSEPH'S

Father Woolley would like to thank all those who came to the meeting last week and showed interest in going on the pilgrimage. If anybody else would like more information and a booking form please see Father Woolley as soon as possible. Booking forms need to be sent, along with the initial deposit of £250, by the end of September. The website for the hotels at which we will be staying:

San Giovanni Rotondo, 12-14 May:

Hotel Gran Pradiso/4* www.hotelgrandparadiso.it.

Assisi, 14-16 May:

Hotel Roseo/4* www.roseohotelassisi.com

Rome 16-19 May:

Hotel Green Pamphili/4* www.hotelpamphili.com.

GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

Do you Love Me?

Discovering the Word of God and praying the Gospels through Lectio Divina, is a theme that has been taken up by the Catholic Bishops of England & Wales in their pastoral document "Do you Love me?" Our own special Bishop Noble headed the working party that developed the pastoral leaflet "Do you Love Me?" which can be used by individuals and it provides supplementary reading that will reinforce the focus of Gospel Prayer Group at All Saints. "Do You Love Me?" is available in the Parish Piety Shop and costs £3.50. Also available are pocket-sized copies of individual Gospels – St Mark and St Luke (£2.50 each) published by the CTS.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines Lectio Divina as contemplative prayer where

“ . . . the silence, the “symbol of the world to come” or “silent love”.

Words in this kind of prayer are not speeches, they are the kindling that feels the fire of love. In this silence the father speaks to us his incarnate word

Where the Holy Spirit enables us to share in the prayer of Jesus.”

Just half-an-hour a month would provide a focus for your personal spiritual formation and to live your faith actively. It is not necessary to attend the group every month, just come when you can. This is an open invitation for you to live our faith through the Gospel. Come and experience the prayer group.

After each prayer meeting group member's participants are given a copy of the text that has been the focus of meeting – together with an additional text – and commentaries on both texts. If you wish, you can leave your email address and you will be posted with future texts and commentaries so that that you can continue Lectio Divina individually in your own time. Exploring the Gospel in this way will help you develop a more intimate