



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Prayers said for the souls of good people are never wasted, since if they cannot be applied to them, they will be applied to other suffering souls in Purgatory

(Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (19th November 2017)

Gospel – Matthew 25:14-30 (Mt 25:14-20, 29-30)

“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'”

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 11th November 2017 **Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collection: Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to **£1177.48**

Thank you for last weekend's retiring collection towards Johnson Association of **£305.10**

November - Month of prayer for the dead: May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Restoration Funds: total raised to date is **£76,800.**

Church Spire Restoration: You can sponsor Half a brick for £50, a Full brick for £100, or sponsor one Angel Wing for £750. The name of the sponsor can be added to the brick. **We need** as many Sponsors as possible. Please contact the parish office or Fr. Tom.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Journey in Faith, is designed for adults who are seeking to enter into the Catholic Church. Our parish is setting up this programme for adults who are either not baptised, baptised in another tradition, or baptised Catholic without further religious education or sacraments of the Church. The flyers are left in the church. **If you know any one who would be interested, please invite them to speak to any one of the priests or Deacon Gerard.** The Programme starts on the 6th December @ 5pm in the Convent.

Winter Shelter: the Rugby Winter Shelter will be operating again at St Marie's from December to March inclusive overnight on Monday/Tuesday. **There are three shifts - evenings 7-10pm, overnight 10pm-7am, and mornings 7-9am.** If you can volunteer for any of these we should love to hear from you. We particularly need more men to volunteer, and especially for overnights. If you can help, or want to know more before volunteering, please contact Kathy Smith on 01788 891940 or Deacon Gerard on 01788 541705.

Welcoming our Younger Parishioners: We will have a box of books for children to borrow during Mass and would be grateful for any *donations* of books in good condition for younger children. These will be left in the porch for collection on arrival and return on departure. Donations to the sacristy initially please.

Tuesday, 5th December - A Journey with Jesus through Advent:

Fr Denis McBride - a renowned Redemptorist speaker and writer - is giving a talk on this subject at Mater Ecclesiae Convent, Street Ashton, Rugby, CV23 0PJ, from 2 - 4pm on Tues. 5th December, and then at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Bulkington, CV12 9RU, from 7 - 9pm. Refreshments will be available at both venues. Donations will be gratefully received. Booking is essential and may be made, either to Mater Ecclesiae Convent (tel. 01788 833825 or email admin@mater-ecclesiae-convent.co.uk) or to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish (tel. 02476 312293 or e-mail michaelgamble1@btinternet.com).

Mass for the deceased priests of the Rugby deanery: will be held at 10.30am on Tuesday 14th at Our Lady of Angels, Nuneaton. All are welcome to join us and pray for the deceased priests.

Parish Priest: Father Tom Thomas
Assistant Priest: Fr. Justus Okibo
In Community: Fr John Buckner, Fr. David Tobin, Fr. John Bland, Fr. Charles Sormany and Br. Joseph Gardner
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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...

Carmel Reynold's Bumper Coffee Morning:

Saturday 18th November from 10am onwards at 107 Dunchurch Road. Wide variety of refreshments and also books, Christmas gifts and kids craft available. All proceeds towards Macmillan Cancer Support.

Donations Wanted for A-MAY-Zing Value Stall:

Toiletries, jewellery, perfume and gifts needed for the Christmas Market on 2nd December. Please leave donations in the church porch or call May on 813879.

Job available as: *Chief Operating Officer* in the archdiocese of Birmingham. Salary £80,000 to £100,000 per annum. Closing date is 20th Nov 2017. Details are on the notice board by the confessional.

Job available as: *Administrator/Receptionist*

Princethorpe College. Full time Mon-Fri 8am - 4:30pm (part time job share available). Starting salary £17,500-£20,000. Closing date Mon 13th November. Details are on the notice board by the confessional.

Bethlehem Crafts in Hibbert's Hall - 18th/19th

November: Olive art, Inc. provides an income for the few Christian families still living in Bethlehem. With a shortage of visitors to the holy places, the families have no means of selling their work. The items produced by local craftsmen are individually hand carved from the wood of the olive trees that are common throughout the Holy Land and in particular those which surround the city of Bethlehem. Many of the trees are over 300 years old, and many used for the carvings have fallen during the troubles.

Christmas Market: is taking place on the 2nd of December from 2pm onwards. Stalls will be around the church, all the parish food stalls will be in the Hibbert's Hall. The evening Mass will be at 4.30pm. We have Coventry and Warwickshire Gospel choir singing in the church from 7pm until 10pm. I am inviting all my parishioners to take part in this great event, either with food stalls, or any other items you could think will sell. There will be an entry fee of £5 for adult and £3.50 for Children.

Christmas Decorations in Church: a new initiative to help all of us to contribute towards Christmas celebrations - we are inviting parishioners to add decorations from around the world. Please speak to Fr Tom if you wish to bring decorations from your home country, and we will incorporate them in to our Christmas display.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

11th November - 18th November 2017

SATURDAY 11th November – Vigil for Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Tess & Fred Smith R.I.P

SUNDAY 12th November – Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Margaret Maloney R.I.P. and at 6.00 p.m. for Stefan Peter R.I.P.

Baptism at 11.15 a.m. of Jackson Anthony Wayne Cooke

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 13th November - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. Thanksgiving for Theresa Vargheese

7 p.m. for Well-Being for Sheelagh Bradley

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

TUESDAY 14th November - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Kate & Patrick Smart R.I.P. and in the Oratory for Eilish Carrigy R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 15th November - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10.00 a.m. Private Intentions for Breda Handforth and in the Oratory for the Private Intentions of Margaret Hughes.

THURSDAY 16th November - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for John Clensy & Friends R.I.P.

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

FRIDAY 17th November - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for John O'Connor R.I.P.

SATURDAY 18th November - 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 Maurice Stanley 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, Paul Kelly, Patrick Hannifin, Baby Freddie Fereday, Rose Loveridge, Bert Ritossa, Lenny and Marie Niner, Claire Lycett.

† RECENTLY DIED †

Dorris Ivans, Dennis Gordon Farmer

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Peter Fletcher, Joan Rea, Michael Bailie, Fiona Hoey.

We welcome into our Christian community Jackson Anthony Wayne Cooke who is being baptised this Sunday.