

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus Christ is infinite, and so it would be foolish to say that we have abused His grace beyond forgiveness. There are no limits to His goodness and mercy (Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (29th July 2018)

Gospel – John 6:1-15

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realised that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.



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Week starting 21st July 2018 **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection

Volunteers – we need more volunteers to help with Sunday Morning collections and retiring collections after Mass. Please see Fr. Tom after Mass.

Silent Prayer Meeting – this Thursday (26th) at 2 p.m. in Gentili House.

HCPT - is a national charity organising pilgrimages to Lourdes for disabled and disadvantaged children and adults. They'll be offering a one hour introduction to their work on **Wednesday 8th August, at 7pm**, so you can see it first hand. You'd meet the real visionary there, the Chief Executive, and some of the great volunteers and staff. You won't be asked to make any financial contribution, but HCPT will call you once afterwards to ask for your feedback.

Heritage Open Days in Sept: Our church will be open from Thursday 6th to Sunday 9th September and for this to work, volunteers are needed to cover the hours of 11.30am - 4.30pm Thursday to Saturday and also Sunday afternoon. We need Greeters, Tour Guides, and Providers of Tea and Biscuits! Before the holidays, could you please consider where *you* might help as this is our annual chance to welcome those who would not normally visit St Marie's and to show our beautiful church to the wider public. No one should work alone, so why not ask a friend to come with you? Please either let Margaret 541705 / mnosowska@btinternet.com) or the office know if you are interested.

Volunteers needed:- to take Holy Communion to the sick at St. Cross hospital on Tuesday's. **Please speak to Fr. Tom if you can help.**

Parish Feast - will take place on Saturday 8th September. In preparation for the feast we will have 9 days of Novena. On the day of the feast we will have two Masses. During the Evening Mass we will have a candle procession around the church followed by food and music in the hall. If you have any suggestions and ideas please advise our Liturgy Group or Parish Office.

Life Ascending - There will be NO meeting in August. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 13th September after Mass in the Coach House. We are a friendly welcoming group of more senior members of the parish. Anyone interesting in joining us will be most welcome. Just come along. Contact Angela Harries on 01788 817236 for more information.

Hope 4 - are looking to work with a landlord to provide either a room or a flat for some of our clients who are ready to be housed, but unable to find anywhere due to the very buoyant housing market in Rugby. The clients are working but homeless and we at Hope 4 will guarantee to work with them for 6 months to support them to adjust to a new life. We are able to offer their deposit as well. Please contact joycewoodings@hope4.org.uk if you want to know more

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

Newsletter – from two weeks ago we are now printing our newsletter in the office. Could you please inform the office no later than Wednesday morning, should you wish to add an item to our Newsletter for the following week. Thank you.

Meet the Families! - The Archdiocese Pilgrimage to Dublin for the World Meeting of Families is less than two months away. Please take time to 'meet' the families representing our Archdiocese, and find out more about what they'll be doing, by visiting <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/world-meeting-of-families-2018> Please keep the families in your prayers as they prepare for this very special pilgrimage.

Poll assessing the Impact of Secular Campaign Organisations- As many of you know, there exists in Britain today a number of campaign organisations (such as Humanists UK, and the National Secular Society) which seek the abolition of Catholic schools. We know of cases where these campaign groups have targeted Catholic schools. However we do not know the scale of this across all of our schools. The CES has produced a survey for all staff and governors in Catholic schools to explore the impact these organisations are having on our schools. It is very short and simple and we hope that everyone will complete it. The survey can be found here: If you

<https://goo.gl/forms/DyWGGgiAhmqDyVZ03>.

Job Opportunity – LIFE Shop in the growing area of eBay work for LIFE. This is 21 hours per week, and requires good IT abilities. Details below. Closing date 6th August :- <https://lifecharity.org.uk/jobs/retail-online-trading=assistant/>

Job Opportunity - Rugby Foodbank

Engagement Officer - Based in Rugby - 13 hours per week £10.50 per hour (preferably on Monday, Wednesday and Friday) The Engagement Officer will have a key role in the delivery and development of Rugby foodbank's strategy and the growth of its services. Please see notice board.

Cleaning Job- I am looking for a cleaner 2-3 hours once a fortnight, to help me keep my home in order whilst I work full time. Rate of pay is negotiable. Please contact Ben Hinson 07510593166

Parish Priest's Diary

Monday to Wednesday - Dublin

Thursday – Rosminian Area Day/ Mass in Syro-Malabar Rite

Friday- Meeting

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

21st July - 28th July 2018

SATURDAY 21st July – Vigil for Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Deceased Members of Smith Family R.I.P.

SUNDAY 22nd July – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Shirley Deery R.I.P. and at 6.00 p.m. for Stanley Anthony R.I.P.

Baptism at 11:15 a.m. Tilly Harper Lissaman

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 23rd July - Feast of St. Bridget

Mass at 10 a.m. for and at 7.00 p.m. for James Reilly R.I.P.

NO Adoration or Evening Mass

TUESDAY 24th July - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Patrick Hannifin R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 25th July - Feast of St. James

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Anthony & Terry Elliott R.I.P.

THURSDAY 26th July - Memorial of Ss Joachim and Anne

Mass at 10 a.m. for Bartley Dunne R.I.P.

Indian Mass at 5 p.m.

FRIDAY 27th July - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Ashley Foley R.I.P.

SATURDAY 28th July - Feria in Ordinary Time

Confessions 10 to 11 a.m. and from 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Mass at 6 p.m. for Lillian Batchelor 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, Paul Kelly, Baby Freddie Fereday, Lenny and Marie Niner, William Hearne, Mary Mills, Val Muir.

✠ RECENTLY DIED ✠

Liam O'Reilly

✠ FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✠

Gwendoline Ford, Estelle Roberts

We welcome into our Christian community Tilly Harper Lissaman who is being baptised this Sunday.