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Parish Diary



TWENTY– EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B

PRISONERS’ SUNDAY - This year, on Sunday 10th October, we mark Prisoners’ Sunday, the National Day of Prayer and Action for prisoners and their families.

Bishop Richard Moth, Bishop of Arundel & Brighton, Liaison Bishop for Prisons, writes:
*‘I write to encourage you to lead your parish in prayer on Sunday 10th October, whether in person or virtually, for all those whose lives are entwined with the criminal justice system. **Pact**, the National Catholic Charity supporting prisoners, people with conviction, defendants and their families, continues to be a shining example of strength and conviction. **Pact** continues to bring hope in what continues to be a very difficult environment; hope to families and children who have suffered prolonged separation; hope to those who have been confined to their cells for 23hours a day for over a year. Rooted in Catholic Social teaching the staff and volunteers at **Pact** are unrelenting in their dedication to accompany people on their journey through the criminal justice system to a fresh start and new opportunities. **Pact**, its staff and beneficiaries will be grateful for any support you may be able to offer at any point in the year.’*

Please do contact the **Pact** team for more information, either by telephone on 020 3031 6867, or by email on the following address: parish.action@prisonadvice.or.uk. **There will be a retiring collection today in aid of this important cause.**

Readings: In the first reading the incomparable value of wisdom is described. Wisdom teaches us how to live rightly, and enables us to use the things of this world in a way that will help us achieve the end for which God put us on earth. In the Gospel Jesus presents wealth as stumbling block to the kingdom. He proclaims the radical demands of the kingdom and the utter impossibility of attaining it through human endeavour. All disciples must give up anything which hinders them from taking Jesus seriously. Love of material possessions and comforts is one of the chief obstacles in the way of discipleship. Those who trust in themselves and their possessions can never be saved. Salvation is always God’s achievement.

Saints of the week –

Wednesday 13th October – **St Edward the Confessor**, Feast
Friday 15th October – **St Teresa of Avila**, Virgin & Doctor: St Teresa suffered physical illness, opposition to reform difficulties in prayer but she grew to be able to embrace suffering and in the middles of her suffering she prays:
“Oh, my Lord! How true it is that whoever works for you is paid in troubles! And what a precious price to those who love you if we understand its value”.

Parish Diary and News

SUNDAY: 10th October 2021 – 28th SUNDAY - YEAR B 9am: Margaret Spillane RIP 11pm: For the people	THURSDAY: 14th October – St Callistus I, Martyr 9:15am: No Mass
MONDAY: 11th October – St John XXIII, Pope 9:15: No Mass	FRIDAY: 15th October – St Teresa of Jesus, memorial 9:15am: Mass
TUESDAY: 12th October – St Wilfred, bishop 7:30pm: No Mass	SATURDAY: 16th October – St Margaret Alacoque Vigil Mass: 6:00pm – Bride and Anthony Cunningham RIP
WEDNESDAY: 13th October – St Edward the Confessor, feast 9:15am: No Mass	SUNDAY - 17th October 2021 – 29th Sunday - YEAR B 9: 00am: John Downes RIP 11:00am: For the people

Synod of Bishops in 2023: in preparation to the Synod, Pope Francis has asked the whole Catholic Church worldwide to engage in a process of discernment under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In our Archdiocese, Archbishop John is inviting everyone to respond to the invitation of Pope Francis and take part in the initial diocesan listening phase of the Synod. The opening Mass to launch the Synodal process in the diocese with a launch in every parish will be at St George's Cathedral (live streamed) on Sunday 17th October.

First Holy Communion: the first meeting of the Parents/Guardians of the First Holy Communion children will be on Friday, **15th October 2021, at 7pm**. The meeting will take place in the Church. The first Holy Communion class is on Saturday **16th October at 10am – 11am**.

RCIA: Adults seeking baptism are invited to join the RCIA programme which is a series of meetings every week for one hour. They run from the end of the third week of October to Easter and the different aspects of our Faith and Catholic Life are explored. And every help is given to discern what the Lord is asking of the individual concerned.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: baptism preparation class for parents and god-parents; **22nd October**, at 7pm. Please write your name on the paper at the back of the church or call the parish office. .

Hospital Contacts: If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know. St George's Hospital: Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069). Guy's and St. Thomas Hospital: Fr Jake Dicto (020 7188 5588); Chelsea and Westminster Hospital: Call the Chaplaincy (020 3315 8083).

If you wish to speak to Fr Tesfamichael about routine matters (such as form signing or arranging baptisms) or private chat about any other matter, please email to Fr tesfanegusse@rcaos.org.uk or call the number above

Pope's prayer Intentions for October: we pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

A Prayer to Guardian Angel: *Angel of God, My Guardian Dear, to whom His love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and to guard, to rule and guide. Amen.*

How To Have A Mass Offered: Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope, which you will find at the back of Church. Once completed, place in the Collection bags on Sunday or hand it to the priest, or if during the week put it through the Priest's House letterbox.