

St Peter and the Guardian Angels

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28TH SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY TIME – 9TH OCTOBER 2022

Prisoners' Sunday: Prisons Week 9 - 15 October: It marks the first day of the ecumenical Prisons Week, a dedicated week of prayer across our Christian communities. Prisons Week was founded by Bishop Victor Guazzelli in 1975.

What is Prisoners' Sunday? Prisoners' Sunday is a time to think about how we as individuals, as a Church and as communities are serving those affected by imprisonment. Prisoners, people with convictions, and their children and families often find themselves on the margins of our society. Yet Jesus challenges us with His words:

“I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU CAME TO ME”

Our work at Pact draws on the values of our faith: dignity, solidarity, subsidiarity. We believe that everyone can make a fresh start whatever they may have done.

On Prisoners' Sunday the Catholic Church encourages everyone to reflect on and pray for prisoners and their families. Bishop Richard Moth, Catholic Liaison Bishop for Prisons, writes to all parishes in the Pact Prisoners' Sunday Pack, to encourage support for this time of reflection and prayer everywhere on Prisoners' Sunday, and encourages parishes & individuals to donate to support the work of Pact.

Season of Creation: Sunday 9th October, week 28: Naaman's humiliation and conversion are a good lesson in how we must go towards an ecological conversion. **Para 204** The present global situation engenders a feeling of instability and uncertainty, which in turn becomes “a seedbed for collective selfishness” (John Paul II, Message for the 1990 World Day of Peace). When people become self-centred and self-enclosed, their greed increases. The emptier a person's heart is, the more he or she needs things to buy, own and consume. It becomes almost impossible to accept the limits imposed by reality. In this horizon. A genuine sense of common good also disappears. As these attitudes become more wide spread, social norms are respected only to the extent that they do not clash with personal needs. So our concern cannot be limited merely to the threat of extreme weather events, but must also extend to the catastrophic consequences of social unrest. Obsession with a consumerist lifestyle, above all when few people are capable of maintaining it, can only lead to violence and mutual destruction. **Pray at all times and appreciate the beauty of creation.**

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) The course will commence in October 2022 and the cost will be £365 per year. Registration must be completed in advance. The course will start on 15th October. Further details can be found here: <https://aec.rcasos.org.uk/archcert>.

St Bernadette Relics Tour: are due to visit **St George's Cathedral** from the morning of **Wednesday 19th - Friday 21 October** or Aylesford Priory (Monday **24 - Friday 28** October) . Please consult the website of each venue for further details. stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/ for choosing a location. For general enquiries email: contact@stbernadette.org.uk

One World Week: In the month of October communities all over celebrate One world Festival to highlight our unity and diversity. One World Week provides us with an opportunity to reflect on our identity as global citizens and to inspire us to keep living our hope in action throughout the year. We celebrate our unity and diversity as brothers and sisters created by the Almighty God. In our parish a celebration will be held on the last Sunday of October at 11am Mass.

Fund raised for the Church: While people were queueing to see HM the Queen's body lying in State, **Henrietta** Onyema did a wonderful work of charity to those queueing for hours. While others were selling tea, coffee, etc. at high price, she decided to offer tea, coffee & biscuit for free to those in the queue. She was joined by other friends and together they served the people and also collected free donations from people amounting £203.20. She was helped by Dame Kelly Holmes, Elizabeth Okonyia, Pauline Boachie, Moji Sumiala, Ann McLaren and Chy.

A BIG THANK YOU! TO YOU ALL!

Mass Times and News

SUNDAY: 9TH OCTOBER – 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9am: Mass - For the people 11pm: Mass – Thanksgiving - Mark & Elaine Holland	THURSDAY: 13th October – St Edward the Confessor 9.15am: Mass – Robert O’Mahoney RIP
MONDAY: 10th October 9:15am No Mass	FRIDAY: 14th October 9.15am: Mass – Adoration & Rosary after Mass
TUESDAY: 11th October – St John XXIII, Pope 7:30pm: Mass – Martin Ryan RIP & intention of Ryan family	SATURDAY: 15th October – St Theresa of Avila 6pm: Mass – John Downes RIP Anni
WEDNESDAY: 12th October – St Wilfred 9:15am: Mass – For Holy Souls	SUNDAY: 16TH OCTOBER - 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9: 00am: Mass – 11:00am: Mass – For the people

Pope’s prayer Intentions for October: *‘We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching, the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.’*

Gift Aid Scheme: If you are not a box holder, and are a taxpayer, please do consider signing up for the Gift Aid Scheme. The relevant forms are at the back of the church or on the parish website.
<https://stpeterandtheguardianangels.com>.

Please contact Diane Rampling on drampling@aol.com or 07808 006228, if you would like to discuss further.

Works done in the Church: New carpet for altar area (**cost - £6,000**); Gutters cleaning & repairs (**£1,680**). Work on blocked drainage is still to be carried out.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS; Standing order - August - £412;
 11th September 1st collection - **£422.86**; 2nd collection for Catholic Education **£126.45**. 18th September, 1st Collection - **£662.53**; 2nd collection for the Agency of Evangelization - **£71.85**. 25th September collection - **£672.87**. **2nd October collection - £ 763.44. THANK YOU**

First Holy Communion Programme: There will be a meeting of parents/guardians of the First Holy Communion children on **Saturday 15th at 11am**. It is an important meeting that all need to attend.

Foundation Governors needed in St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School - Gomm Road: St Joseph primary School is looking for governors who have good mix skills, knowledge and experience, and who are committed Catholics and who can play an important part in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of the school. If you would like to consider of becoming one, please speak to Fr Tesfamichael after the masses.

Prayer for the sick & housebound; we remember those who have asked for our prayers;

“Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest your weary ones.

Bless your dying ones.

Soothe your suffering ones.

Pity your afflicted ones.

Shield your joyous ones.

And for all your love’s sake. Amen.”

(St Augustine)

Your prayers are also requested for: Barry Crawley, Ronnie Bates, Kay Crehan, Mary Ellen Design, Liam and Maggie, Howard Moss, Ruby Louisa Longman, Jeany McDonagh, Anna, Monika, Lusia & Slawek; Esther, Oliver, Stephen, Pepe, Goren, Sharon, Philip, James, Mary, Rosemarie, Paul, Mark, Noel, Dany, Daniel, Saher Sinclair, Marek, Charlie, Fergie, Kohen, Christine Sanders.

Do you know any elderly, Housebound or Sick Parishioners that would benefit from a home visit from Fr Tesfamichael, if so, please call 020 237 2969 or can speak directly to Fr after each Mass.

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. or call the number above.

Please pray for those who have died recently; Barry Deller, Tina, Darius, David Marks Senior, Robert Easto Bob Ambrose, Pierre Porrelle, Yvette Perrelle & Maryanna Sharrock, and also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

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