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**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**

**21 AUGUST 2022**

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**28 AUGUST 2022**

**TODAY'S READINGS -**

Isaiah 66:18-21, Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13, Luke 13:22-30

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

The Gospel reading makes a point which is directly opposite to one found in the first reading. There the inhabitants of distant lands will come to draw salvation from Jerusalem. This is repeated in the Gospel, but the daunting corollary is also given to those nearer home and who are expecting to find their way into the heavenly city easily: don't sit back in complacent contentment that you have been called, or you may find the door slammed in your face. Matthew 7:21-23 has the same warning: it is not enough to keep calling out, 'Lord, Lord!' without actually doing the will of the Father. There is also the similar, more developed teaching in the parable of the wedding attendants - five who are wise with oil in their lamps, and five who are unprepared for the wedding feast. They too vainly cry, 'Lord, Lord!' from outside the door. Today's Gospel almost forms the centre-piece of the instructions to the disciples as they make their way with Jesus up to Jerusalem and to his Passion and Death. There is no cheap way to salvation: each disciple must take up the cross behind Jesus and follow to the end of the road. This teaching is the more striking in Luke, who stresses that both Jews and Gentiles will take part in the festival.

*Are we complacent? How do we best journey on the road of salvation?*

**Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB**

## **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS -**

Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21, 30-31, Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24, Luke 14:1,7-14

## **NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE REFLECTION -**

Two parables in today's Gospel about invitations to table. Both are from Luke's special material, without parallel in the other gospels. Jesus moves in a higher stratum of society than he does in Mark and Matthew, and often has in mind the implications of the Gospel in this context. The first parable, however, like several of Luke's parables, seems to be developed from a little Old Testament proverb: 'Do not give yourself airs, do not take a place among the great; better to be invited, "Come up here," than to be humiliated' (Proverbs 25:6-7). At first sight this seems a merely worldly precaution, a false humility engineered to gain attention. But for Luke a banquet is always an image of the heavenly banquet of the Lord. So the message is a moral one too: don't think yourself better than you are. The message is also typical of Luke's open and straightforward approach. One is reminded of the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-collector at prayer, where the latter prays only 'God be merciful to me, a sinner'. The second parable also is typical of Luke: it exemplifies his stress on the inherent danger of wealth, on the need to use wealth well, and on his concern for the poor and neglected in society.

*What is the message of these two parables? What does their message say to me about the way I lead my own life?*

**Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB**

## **STEWARDS, READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Many of our regular ministers are on holiday so it will be greatly appreciated if you are able to offer assistance as required at your regular Mass times.  
Thank you

## **BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY**

Please note Mass will be at 10.30am on Monday 29 August 2021

## **POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2022**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of

## **Rita Tildesley RIP**

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Rita Tildesley who in her 90th year died peacefully at her home with her family around her on Sunday 14th August the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We give thanks for her life, well lived and shared over many years with our Parish community. At different times throughout her years in the parish she took on many roles. She spent many years as a faithful member of the front row of the 11.30 music group. She was an active member of the Parish Council. She was on the Liturgy team that Fr. Patrick set up when he first came to the Parish and her skills as head teacher at St Winifred's primary school came to the fore through her involvement in the monthly family masses aimed at young children. A member of the Parish Youth Club team which she helped set up and which ran for many years. A catchiest on the First Holy Communion and Reconciliation programmes. A catchiest for the Confirmation Programme and was a member of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Team (RCIA) until her death.

Some years back her great love of the Scriptures inspired her to encourage the then parish priest Fr. Patrick to set up the Newsletter Scripture Reflection Rota, which is still going today. Her great love of her family and her involvement with them was always important to her and indeed to her beloved husband Bert. So too, was the Tildesley generous hospitality which she shared willingly with so many of us.

Throughout all her involvement with family life and parish life, her deep faith was evident and it shone brightly through all she did. Rita was an inspiration to so many of us. She will be greatly missed but her legacy will live on through all those whose lives she touched, encouraged and enriched.

**Please pray for Rita and all her family and friends at this difficult time.**

**Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen**

## **POPE JOHN PAUL 1 BEATIFICATION SET FOR 4 SEPTEMBER**

The Holy See Press Office announced plans for the beatification of Pope John Paul I, who was born as Albino Luciani in the northern Italian town of Forno di Canale (now Canale d'Agordo) on 17 October 1912. Pope Francis will preside over the beatification Mass in St. Peter's Square on Sunday, 4 September 2022.

## **ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON VISIT TO PARISH - SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER**

Archbishop John Wilson will be visiting our parish on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September, the main purpose of his visit is to meet our parishioners, therefore, we will have only one Mass at 10:30am followed by refreshments in the school hall. The Archbishop will be staying with us up to 2pm to meet as many parishioners as possible.

Archbishop John is very keen to meet our parishioners, please save this day in your diary and try to come and meet him.

## **CYCLE OF PRAYER: INTENTIONS FOR ORDINARY TIME - AUTUMN**

For Students and Teachers -

*especially on Education Day (second Sunday in September)*

For the Spread of the Gospel -

*especially in England of Wales on Home Mission Sunday (third Sunday in September) and on World Mission Day (penultimate Sunday in October)*

For the Harvest, the Fruits of Human Work and for the Reverent Use of Creation - *especially on World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (1st September) and on the Sunday between 22 and 28th September or whenever Harvest Festivals are held*

For Justice and Peace in the World -

*especially on Harvest Fast Day (first Friday in October)*

For All Victims of War -

*especially on Remembrance Sunday (second Sunday in November)*

For Young People -

*especially on Youth Day (Christ the King)*

For Prisoners and their Families -

*especially on the Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families (second Sunday in October) and during Prisons Week (second week in October).*

**GRIEF IN LOSS, HOPE IN CHRIST** weekend for those who are in mourning.

Emotions out of control feeling at a loss, this weekend is a time for you. A space for you. Aylesford Priory 7-9th October. For enquiries telephone 01622 717272

## **THE RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE UK TOUR 2022**

This Autumn, the UK will welcome the relics of St Bernadette, which will travel from the Upper Basilica in Lourdes to every Diocese in the UK,

Read more about the visit, booking details and venues by visiting:-

<https://rcaos.org.uk/mission/pilgrimage/the-relics-of-st-bernadette-uk-tour-2022>

## **CAFOD GAP PROGRAMME for 18-30 year olds**

CAFOD, in partnership with their UK placements, offers the exciting opportunity to spend a fully funded year volunteering in a retreat centre or school chaplaincy, where you will work alongside the Catholic community and others to bring about a more just world. It is a great chance to develop a range of skills and gain work experience within the context of your faith. For more information, please contact Arianne at

[youngleadership@cafod.org.uk](mailto:youngleadership@cafod.org.uk)

or go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/For-young-people/CAFOD-Gap-year>



## **MASS ATTENDEES**

**30/31 July - 175   6/7 August - 194   13/14 August - 177**

**Our next newsletter will be issued for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time on Sunday 4th September 2022.**

“During summer time, let us learn how to take a break, turn off the mobile phone, to gaze into the eyes of others, cultivate silence, contemplate nature, regenerate ourselves in dialogue with God.” ~ Pope Francis on Twitter ~



**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

**Saturday 20 August 2022 - Feria**

**18:00** Giovanni Del Guercio RIP & Felicia Raimo

**Sunday 21 August 2022**

**9:30** For the Parishioners

**11:30** Josephine McMahon RIP

**Monday 22 August 2022 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**09:30** Anthony Touray

**Tuesday 23 August 2022 - Feria**

**09:30** Mrs Margaret Connolly RIP

**Wednesday 24 August 2022 - St. Bartholomew, Apostle**

**09:30** Margaret Richards RIP

**Thursday 25 August 2022 - Feria**

**9:30** Joe Manning

**Friday 26 August 2022 - Feria**

**9:30** Anne Orieso Personal Intentions

**Saturday 27 August 2022 - St. Monica, Memorial**

**10:30** Pierre Dacoury Tabley RIP Anniversary

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**Reconciliations - Saturday 11-12 noon**



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**Monday 29 August 2022 - The Passion of St. John the Baptist**

**10:30** Frank Cronin RIP

**Tuesday 30 August 2022 - St. Margaret Clitherow**

**09:30** May O'Brien RIP

**Wednesday 31 August 2022 - Feria**

**09:30** Mrs Rebecca Nwandu RIP, Mrs Orji RIP & Mrs Winifred Anniversaries

**Thursday 1 September 2022 - Feria**

**9:30** Anthony Warner RIP & Baby Freddie Fowler

**Friday 2 September 2022 - Feria**

**9:30** Mags Connolly & Family

**Saturday 3 September 2022 - St. Gregory the Great , Pope and Doctor**

**10:30** Frances Ellis (FM)

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**Sunday 4 September 2022**

**9:30** Muriel Houlihan RIP

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