



**THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF
ST. WILLIAM OF YORK**

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**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)
16 OCTOBER 2022**

Dear Parishioners

As you are aware, the Parish Crisis Fund was set up in March 2020 to assist struggling families in our community severely impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic. Since that date, we have received a total of £15,306.05 & £800.00 in supermarket vouchers enabled through the love and generosity of our supportive parish community.

I wish to thank you all on behalf of the families who have benefitted and continue to benefit from the Crisis fund. We as a community have donated £9,749.95 to over 30 families and individuals in need which include over 100 children identified by our Parish Schools and our SVP Conference.

Thank you also to all parishioners who have given so generously of their time in assisting families, regular donations to the Lewisham Foodbank and being a supportive and friendly member of our parish community in times of need.

We anticipate further challenges ahead with the cost of living increases and fuel charges and we ask you to please continue to support the Parish Crisis Fund and to be as generous as you can so we can continue to assist families in our parish community who are struggling.

Donations to the Parish Crisis Fund may be made via the following ways:-

- Cash or Cheque payable to RCAS Forest Hill
- Contactless payment via the digital device in the Narthex

- Secure On-line payment via our website <https://donate.mydona.com/st-william-of-york-rc-church>
- Bank transfer - NatWest Bank Sort Code 60-50-01 A/c no - 7912443 Account name RCAS FOREST HILL Reference - Your surname/Gift Aid no/Crisis Fund

Please remember to register for gift aid if you are a UK tax payer as the parish will benefit.

Thank you in advance for your continued generosity and support to our Families in need.

God Bless
Fr Habte

TODAY'S READINGS -

Exodus 17:8-13, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

We often think of prayer as mere asking, and this parable encourages us to pester God as the wronged widow pestered the Unjust Judge. But that is only one aspect of Luke's teaching on prayer. He also shows us what our attitude in prayer should be in the parable which immediately follows today's passage from the gospel: the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-Collector. The tax-collector wins approval because he just stands there, admitting his sins. Most instructive, however, is Luke's teaching on Jesus at prayer: he reminds us that Jesus is always quietly at prayer to his Father. He needs to slip away to spend the night in prayer. Especially he prays at the most important moments of his life: at his Baptism, when he chooses his team of disciples, before he teaches them to pray, at the approach of his Passion, finally forgiving and comforting others at his death. Paul tells us we should pray continually. The prayer of asking must be built on a relationship of love and dependence, just as the request of child to parents is built on their loving relationship. It does not matter if the child is at times naughty; the deep relationship between parent and child is one of love. So too we do not need to be perfect to make our requests to our Father.

When and how do you find it best to pray? Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS -

Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14,16-19, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18, Luke 18:9-14



BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

This weekend we baptised Honor Emmanuella Destine Oladele and Aneira Jean Thomas. Many congratulations to Honor and Aneira and their parents Yetunde and Timothy and Imogen and Celyn from all at St William of York and welcome Honor and Aneira to our parish family.

SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFER FORMS

On Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October 2022, between 11:00am-4:00pm, Fr Habte will be seeing parents who require the completion of secondary school supplementary forms.

No appointment is needed, Fr Habte will see parents on a first come first served basis. Many Thanks.

MANY THANKS DEAR BISHOP PATRICK LYNCH

Bishop Pat Lynch has retired from active ministry after 15 years of service as our area bishop and after 50 years of his priestly ministry.

To thank him for his prayers and support in the past years, there will be a special collection envelope available this weekend. Please return them next week. It will be a personal gift from you to Bishop Pat.



LITURGY GROUP MEETING

The parish Liturgy Group will be meeting this Monday, 17th October, from 7.45pm in the Parish Centre. We'll be planning for Advent and Christmas, looking ahead to next year, and hearing updates from different parish groups involved in our liturgy and Catechetical Programmes. Anyone is welcome to attend. If you would like to find out more or have a question, you can contact us at liturgy.swoy@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR GIVING TO CAFOD'S FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL

Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal. Your generous gifts will support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table, particularly those worst affected by the global food crisis in countries such as Kenya, Ethiopia and South Sudan, and help fight the causes of hunger longer term. You can still donate online at cafod.org.uk/fastday



NEXT SUNDAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people.



SCAN ME

To donate to World Mission Sunday, simply scan this QR code.

If you use the donation envelopes to give by credit/debit card, please return the envelopes directly to Missio. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible

missio.org.uk/wmsdonate

RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES

The Relics of St Bernadette will be coming to St. George's Cathedral from 19 October until their departure on the morning of 21 October.

There will be a Solemn Mass on 19 October at 6pm, celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson, and an additional Mass on 20 October at 6pm.

The Relics will be at Aylesford Priory, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7BX from Monday 24th October 7:00pm – Friday 28th October 1:00pm

To secure places to venerate the relics please visit this link

<https://www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/>

SVP REQUEST

In response to a request, SVP is currently trying to source a second hand mobility scooter that is in good condition. If any parishioner has a scooter they are no longer using or can direct the SVP team to outlets selling second hand mobility scooters, that would be enormously helpful. Many thanks.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE TEAM:

Dear husband and wife, Here is an opportunity to attend an online Building a Better Marriage course from 9am - 1pm on Saturday 22nd October. It means that you can attend from your own living room and there is no group sharing. This course is for couples with average or good marriages who would like to make them better.

More details : mflkent@rcaos.org.uk or telephone 07913 904 997.

DAY OF RENEWAL- Saturday 22nd October 10am-5pm. St Georges's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road, Southwark, SE1 7HY. Praise & Worship - Talks- Testimony- Healing Ministry- Mass - Fellowship- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. **Register for free: bit.ly/SouthwarkRenewal22**

TALK ORGANISED BY THE FRIENDS OF WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

Thursday 27 October 2022 at 7.00pm in Westminster Cathedral Hall. Creators of Peace (COP) is a global network of people on each continent making a difference - inspired by their participation in Creators of Peace Circles, conferences, dialogues and other COP initiatives.

For peace to be meaningful it must be inclusive, but it often isn't.

<https://iofc.org.uk/initiatives/creators-of-peace/>

Talk by Miranda Shaw and Elizabeth Lasker

£10 Tickets from friends@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7798 9059

WORLD YOUTH DAY - AUGUST 2023

The Archdiocese is taking a group of pilgrims (aged 18-35 at the time of travel) to World Youth Day in Lisbon in 2023. Provisional dates are 31st July to 7th August. To register your interest and receive more information, please go to bit.ly/wydsouthwark

Further information about World Youth Day is at www.lisboa2023.org/en/

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of

Genowefa (Gina) Szczegolski RIP

(mother of Jan)

who died peacefully this week

Please pray for Jan and Kathy 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

THE MCGURRAN FAMILY would like to express their sincere thanks and gratitude, to all the parishioners, for the love, care and support shown to the family in the past difficult times

MASS ATTENDEES

24/25 Sept - 318

1/2 Oct - 354

8/9 Oct - 264

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 16 Oct 5pm	Benediction & Adoration	Church
Monday 17 Oct 10am-4pm	Parents to collect Secondary School Forms - no appointments necessary	Presbytery
Monday 17 Oct 7.45pm	Liturgy Group Meeting	Upper Hall
Tuesday 18 Oct 10am-4pm	Parents to collect Secondary School Forms - no appointments necessary	Presbytery
Wednesday 19 Oct 8pm	Singing Practice	Church
Saturday 22 Oct 9.15am	Instrumentalists	Church



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Saturday 15 October 2022

18:00 Timmy Ryan RIP

Sunday 16 October 2022

09:30 For the Parishioners

11:30 Ida Snuggs RIP Anniversary

Monday 17 October 2022 - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

09:30 Sue Hepworth RIP

Tuesday 18 October 2022 - St. Luke, Evangelist

09:30 Adrian McGurran RIP

Wednesday 19 October 2022 - Feria (live-streamed)

09:30 Rose Calver RIP

Thursday 20 October 2022 - Feria

09:30 Charles Edwards RIP Birthday

Friday 21 October 2022 - Feria

09:30 In Honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary (FM)

Saturday 22 October 2022 - Feria

10:30 Margaret Herbert Pooler

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

World Mission Day

Saturday 22 October 2022

18:00 For the Parishioners

Sunday 23 October 2022

09:30 Bob Hall RIP

11:30 Bartolomeo Damele

Please access the live streaming by visiting:

www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/

Reconciliations - Saturday 11-12 noon