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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) 4 SEPTEMBER 2022

TODAY'S READINGS -

Wisdom 9:13-18, Philemon 9-10. 12-17, Luke 14:25-33

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Jesus does not pull his punches, and here delivers a series of devastating body-blows to anyone who is looking for easy discipleship. All through this journey which culminates in Jesus' own death at Jerusalem the cost of discipleship has been a recurrent theme: 'Let the dead bury their dead' (13th Sunday), the Parable of the Rich Fool (18th Sunday), 'From one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded' (19th Sunday), 'Father against son, son against father' (20th Sunday), and now 'Hate father and mother' and 'Give up all your possessions'. A certain amount of the vigour of these demands may be attributed to a Semitic (Hebrew/Aramaic) mode of expression (they would often use superlatives and rarely use comparatives), but there is no doubt about the absolute demands made on the disciple. When Jesus made these demands he knew what lay ahead of him, and was only asking his disciples to follow his own course. We must count the cost before beginning to build the tower. Most of us have, of course, already started to build the tower by responding to Jesus' call. There is no turning back from the plough (13th Sunday); only pray for a courage and loyalty which exceed our own powers.

Why does Jesus use such fierce language? What is the hardest thing about trying to be a disciple of Christ?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS -

Exodus 32:7-11,13-14, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-32



BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

This weekend we baptised Gracie Elizabeth Peraux and Wilfred James Peraux. Many congratulations to Gracie and Wilfred and their parents Ruth and Thomas from all at St William of York and welcome Gracie and Wilfred to our parish family.

Please pray for the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of

Rita Tildesley RIP

Rita will be received into St William of York church at 5pm on Thursday 8th September 2022.

Rita's funeral Mass will take place at 9.30am on Friday 9th September 2022.

Important to remind you Brockley Park is a School Street and traffic restrictions are lifted at 9.15am.

Burial to take place at 11.00am at Grove Park Cemetery.

All are welcome to join the family at The Perry Hill Pub afterwards.

Please keep Rita and her family and friends in your prayers 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 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.

EDUCATION SUNDAY - 11 September 2022

Education Sunday is marked this year on 11 September 2022- just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2022 is 'enlightening the mind', taken from Ephesians 1:17-18. We will have a second collection for the Catholic Education Service on Sunday 11 September 2022.

Many thanks in advance for your support.

ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON VISIT TO PARISH - SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Archbishop John Wilson will be visiting our parish on Sunday 25th 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.

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. For more information, please contact Arianne at youngleadership@cafod.org.uk or go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/For-young-people/CAFOD-Gap-year>



MASS ATTENDEES

13/14 August -177 20/21 August- 155 27/28 August- TBA



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Saturday 3 September 2022 - Feria

18:00 Kieran Kennedy RIP

Sunday 4 September 2022

9:30 Muriel Houlihan RIP

11:30 For the Parishioners ([live-streamed](#))

Monday 5 September 2022 - Feria

09:30 Anthony Warner RIP & Baby Freddie Fowler

Tuesday 6 September 2022 - Feria

09:30 Aisling McMahon & Family

Wednesday 7 September 2022 - Feria

09:30 Mary Storey (FM)

Thursday 8 September 2022 - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

09:30 Mrs Margaret Connolly RIP

17:00 Reception of Rita Tildesley RIP

Friday 9 September 2022 - St. Peter Claver, Priest

09:30 Funeral of Rita Tildesley RIP

Saturday 10 September 2022 - Feria

10:30 The Gillian Family (FM)

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Education Day

Saturday 10 September 2022

18:00 For the Parishioners

Sunday 11 September 2022

09:30 Mary Catherine & Margaret Jeffreys (FM)

11:30 Karen & Bethany Towey & Family

Please access the live streaming by visiting:

www.facebook.com/swoyse23/live/

Reconciliations - Saturday 11-12 noon