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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY ON ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

26 September – 27 September 2020

REFLECTION



Ezekiel 18: 25–28

Philippians 2: 1–11

Matthew 21: 28–32

This week we are invited to reflect on our need for a change of heart. We are called to follow the Lord's way, as we try to model our actions and words on his. The Jews in exile complained that the Lord was unjust, but the prophet Ezekiel tells them they should look at their own behaviour rather than blame others (First Reading). St Paul encourages the Philippians to be united in love, purpose and mind, which they should model on the mind of Christ himself. Although divine and equal with God, Christ was humble enough to become as we are, and even then, to die on a cross (Second Reading). No matter which group in society we belong to, only a true change of heart, where we welcome the Good News, will open the way to the Kingdom of God (Gospel). This week, we may want to focus on trying to live according to Jesus's values. We ask the Lord to help shape our minds to be like his, so that people around us will see that love is shown in deeds more than in words.

Masses and Intentions for This Week

Saturday	26	Ss Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pedro Goncalves † (C Goncalves)
Saturday	26	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Intention of Anne-Marie Elder (P Kirton)
Sunday	27	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Monday	28	Feria	12.00 noon	Holy Mass	Margarita Turguel † (C Goncalves)
Tuesday	29	Ss Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels	12.00 noon	Holy Mass	Thanksgiving (S & D Craig)
Wednesday	30	St Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church		Private Mass	Bishop Leo McCartie † (Johnson Association)
Thursday	01	Exposition	1 – 6:45pm		In The Aldwin Room
Thursday	01	St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church	7.00pm	Holy Mass	Thanksgiving (Tom)
Friday	02	Memorial of the Guardian Angels	-	Private Mass	
Saturday	03	Our Lady on Saturday	10.00am	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Saturday	03	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Jim Brooks † (S Whitteron)
Sunday	04	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Hilda McCann † (P McCann)

HOLY MASS FROM ST JOSEPH'S

Is livestreamed via YouTube every day ***except 6pm Mass on Saturday & Friday's School Mass***

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT_ttow



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION THIS WEEK

Stewards Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to join the Stewarding rota. Training for all stewards is this weekend at 1pm on Saturday 26 September.

Uniform & Milk Appeal Thank you to all our parishioners who have supported this appeal so generously. We will have a final figure for you next week.

Exposition will take place Thursdays from 1pm to 6:45pm in the Aldwin Room. Anyone wishing to spend time before the Blessed Sacrament may book with Emily Vaughan-Spruce (tel: 07858048095). A maximum of three people may pray before the Blessed Sacrament at any one time. Please follow the procedure for disinfecting on entry and exit.

MAKE AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

If you cannot attend Mass, you may make an Act of Spiritual Communion by saying:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. AMEN.

We have received a lovely card from Sister Sylvia thanking our parish for our spiritual and financial support during these difficult times. She writes: 'May God and Our Mother Mary continue to bless and protect you and your families, united in a spirit of prayer, as we share together in the one mission in Bolivia. With love & deep appreciation, Sylvia'.

100+ Club September Draw took place on 15th September. Congratulations to the winners who are: **1st prize £90 – David Taylor; 2nd prize £45 – Bridget Bache; 3rd prize £45 – Ruth Harrison; 4th prize £22.50 – John Eckersley; 5th prize £22.50 – Dee Burger.** The next draw will take place in mid- October. The 100+ Club provides essential funds for church maintenance. Thank you to all who support of it. If you would like to join the 100+Club, or wish to have more entries, please contact Anne Lewis in the parish office.

Gift Aid Usually the diocese sends out an annual letter to each Gift Aid donor with a note of how much they have donated so parishioners know what figure to include in their Self-Assessment tax returns. This year, with most diocesan employees working from home, they can't do this. So, if you have not kept your own record of what you have gift aided to St Joseph's this year and need a statement for your tax returns, please email the Parish Office and we will forward your request to our Planned Giving Volunteer.

School Tours St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is offering socially distance tours to prospective parents. This would be a great way to learn about the school's creative curriculum and see the beautiful grounds. Contact the school on 01684 573016 or office@stjoesmalvern.worcs.sch.uk to arrange a tour.

Christians Against Poverty CAP Malvern aids people who are overwhelmed by debt by helping them get control of their finances. CAPs volunteers come from all churches in Malvern and they are currently looking for a female befriender to accompany female clients during debt coaching. Clients often have multiple needs. Full training will be provided. If you can help, please contact Chris Mesley on 07444481854 or by email on chrimesley@capuk.org.

The Ecumenical prayer intention for this week is for Malvern Community Hospital. Staff and patients. The Revd Jenny Kimble, the Chaplain. The Friends.

Current shortages at Malvern Hills Foodbank: Toilet rolls, men's and ladies' deodorant, men's shower gel, washing powder (all sizes) tins of fish, tins of potatoes (small and large). Thank you for your continued generosity.

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased especially for Pim Van Ling who died on Thursday morning.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Raymond Bree, Nicholas Ratcliff, Ellen Verdult, Jonah Willis, Anne-Marie Elder, and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. *Our Lady, Health of the sick, pray for them. Amen*

Pope's Prayer Intention for October: The Laity's Mission in the Church We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the church.

Monasteries Online. This month's online visit is to the Benedictines of St Michael's Abbey, a little monastic community on the Hampshire/Surrey border. Enjoy visiting their very full website at <http://farnboroughabbey.org/>.

This week there is Second Collection for Fr Hudson's Society, the social care agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham. Its aim is to offer help and support to people in need. At St Chad's Cathedral, for example, the volunteers at St Chad's Sanctuary distribute food and clothing to a constant stream of people, many of them mothers with small children. In this and in many other ways Father Hudson's Care as our diocesan agency for social outreach is actively showing the love of Christ to those who are most in need

Next week there is a Second Collection for Peter's Pence.