

1 September 2019

Twenty-second Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year C – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 2



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

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Fr Michael Spain OCD (Prior & Parish Priest), Fr Robert Davies OCD, Fr Maurice Flynn OCD, Fr Matt Blake OCD

3 September St Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church, Abbot - Memorial

MASS TIMES will return to normal next weekend 7/8 September.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to **£1,941** Your continued support is appreciated.

EMPOWERING VULNERABLE CHILDREN (EVC) UGANDA APPEAL: There will be a second collection next weekend for this charity which provides real hope for the future through education for some of the poorest children in the world. Judi Fawcett, a Trustee, will give a brief talk at all of the Masses next weekend about their work. For further information about what they do, please visit their website at www.evcuganda.org.

ADOREMUS – COME LET US ADORE: Continuing the invitation to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, there will be two hours of Adoration in the main Church on **Sunday 15 September from 3:30pm and ending at 5:30pm before the evening Mass.** This is the Feast day of Our Lady of Sorrows and is also Home Mission Sunday. This is an opportunity to come and spend as much or as little time as you have with Jesus, who welcomes each one of us just as we are.

'Our Lord is hidden there in the Blessed Sacrament waiting for us to come and visit Him and make our requests to Him.' (St John Vianney)

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION: You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for his intentions each month. For September it is the **Protection of the Oceans** – that politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

TEA IN THE POT re-opens on **Wednesday 4 September.** Parents, carers and parishioners are welcome to congregate in the Parish Centre from 8:30am to 10:30am for refreshments, company and especially chat.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY are delighted to be back after the summer break and really look forward to welcoming your children and the youth of the parish next **Sunday 8 September** to our groups during 9am Mass. We will be kick starting the year with some outdoor games after Mass (weather permitting) and of course cake and drinks.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Edward Kealy** who died recently. The service will take place on Thursday 19 September at 11:30am at Holy Name Church, Denham. We extend our deepest sympathy to all his family and friends.

SONGS OF PRAISE: All are welcome to St Mary's Church in Denham Village next **Sunday 8 September at 1:30pm** where our Holy Name Choir will join with St Mary's choir for a special Songs of Praise style service. This delightful event marks St Mary's patronal feast day and this year is called "*Hymns and Pimms: Singing the Psalms*". The service features both choirs performing ensemble and solo pieces plus the congregation can join in with some of their favourite hymns. It is an opportunity to listen to beautiful music in charming surroundings whilst enjoying a glass of Pimms. Afternoon Tea will be served in the Vestry after the service. Please come along and support our choir.

PSALMS Reunion Performance – Sunday 22 September at 7pm in St Joseph's Church. Ten years on from a successful week at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival the group are reuniting for a one-off performance, back where it all began. Written by Robert Barham and directed by Mo Home, this theatrical piece explores the relevance of the Psalms to life today. Through music, drama and song it draws you into the lives of a cross section of people from society, showing how a particular Psalm is important to them. Suitable for all ages, this innovative interpretation speaks directly to the problems and fears of modern day living, inviting all to make sense of life. There will be a retiring collection in aid of church funds and Breast Cancer Now.

COPIES OF BAPTISM CERTIFICATES: Requests for copies of Baptism Certificates should be made through the Parish Office – via email, by phone or in person. The Reception Desk is manned from 9:30am until 1pm and from 2pm until 5:30pm Monday through Friday. Please allow **five working days** to turn around requests, especially during September/October when there is a high volume due to school applications.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS to the Whittingham, Smith, Simpson and Gibbs families whose children were baptised recently. We ask God's blessing on these children and their families.

SALE OF TRADCRAFT GOODS TODAY – SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER after the 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

CAFOD SUPPORTERS' EVENT – ALL WELCOME:

Come and hear about CAFOD's work in Uganda, our Harvest focus country. You will also hear first-hand experiences from our amazing speakers.

- **Saturday 7 September** - St Mary's Hall, Aspley Hill, Woburn Sands, MK17 8NN
- **Saturday 21 September** - St Teresa's Hall, 40 Warwick Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 2PL

Both days are from **10:30am – 1:30pm** (coffee/tea from 10:15am with shared lunch from 1:30pm). Please let us know you are coming – 01494 863 777 or northampton@cafod.org.uk.

ST JOSEPH'S GOLF SOCIETY DAY: Join us for our annual



golf tournament on **Friday 20 September** at **Oakland Park Golf Club** in Chalfont St Giles. Tee-off times are from 1pm to 3pm for an 18 Hole Stableford Competition, with individual and team prizes. The

Presentation Dinner is at 7:30pm. Golf and dinner is £55 per head; dinner only is £20 per person. Sponsors and prizes are very welcome. For further information please phone Liam on 01923 770023 or Fr Michael on 01753 886581. You can sign up as an individual or as a team of four – booking forms now available from the Parish Office and website.

The LONDON AND SLOUGH RUN FOR THE HOMELESS:

Please bring your sandwiches, boiled eggs, crisps, drinks, fruit, biscuits, etc. to the Parish Centre by 3:30pm on Monday. **We especially need sandwiches and food during the holiday period** as donations decrease whilst people are away on their summer break. Many thanks for your continued support.

PLEASE NOTE WE DO NOT REQUIRE ANY CLOTHING AT PRESENT.

200 CLUB: Welcome to those who have joined for the second half of the year. Emails have been sent to all members who provided their email address. Could all members please check your inbox (or Spam folder) to ensure that emails from 200club@stjosephs.org.uk are accepted in your inbox.

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

"Charity is certainly greater than any rule. Moreover, all rules must lead to charity." St Vincent de Paul



Founded in 1833 by Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the St Vincent de Paul Society is a Christ-centred organisation made up of almost 10,000 volunteers across England and Wales. While every Conference is unique, our mission is the same; to seek and find those in need, to help them in the spirit of justice and to tackle the causes of poverty where we can.

With Christian values at our core, staff and Members of the St Vincent de Paul Society operate on the ground in a variety of different ways including visiting and befriending the lonely, assisting the destitute, advising the poor and volunteering in one of our many community support projects. We also support vital work overseas.

If you would like to know more about the work that takes place in our local Conference please leave your contact details with the Parish Office and Stewart/Kasia will contact you.

Please pick up a copy of September's edition of **THE VINE** from the Church porch.

WALSINGHAM ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE for the Sanctity of Life will be taking place on **Sunday 6 October** and led by Bishop Mark O'Toole. All are warmly invited to unite in this day of prayer. For more details please visit www.prolifepilgrimage.org or call 01858 571242.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please pray for the sick of our parish and for those who have asked for our prayers.

Sunday Mass Times

St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm, Sunday at 7:45am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm
Holy Name, Denham: Sunday Mass at 9:30am
Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath: Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm, Sunday at 9am

All the following take place at St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter

Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday at 7am and 9am, Saturday and Bank Holidays at 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 10:30 – 11am and 4:45 – 5:15pm

Rosary: None during the summer holidays.

Eucharistic Adoration: None during the summer holidays.

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