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Twenty - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 1st September 2024

Father Thomas is looking for volunteers to join the two parish committees

The time commitment is no more than a couple of hours per month for either the Fabric and Finance Committee (FFC) or the Parish Pastoral Committee (PPC).

Fabric and Finance Committee (FFC)

By Canon Law each parish must have a finance committee to help the parish priest in the administration of the goods of the parish.

What Is Its Purpose?

- Advises on all capital expenditure programmes of the parish.
- Assists in the preparation of a capital expenditure programme (ie: collecting estimates, suggesting contractors, liaising with Diocesan and other authorities).
- Plans a programme of upkeep and maintenance of all parish property.
- Keeps an accurate maintenance diary.
- Ensures parish premises/activities are fully compliant with all statutory requirements.
- Draws up and keeps an accurate inventory of parish property and equipment.
- Advises and liaises with other parish/diocesan groups.
- Assists with the Gift Aid programme/collection counting teams.
- Assists with preparing the annual Financial Report to the parish and diocese.
- Assists with the upkeep of the parish account books.
- Works closely with any fund raising group(s) of the parish.
- Liaises via the parish newsletter with the wider parish community.

Current members include: Joe Heatley, Janet Springer and Joe McMahan. 3 or 4 members are sought.

Parish Pastoral Committee (PPC): The purpose of the PPC is to advise and make recommendations to the Parish Priest on the spiritual, pastoral and social life of the parish community.

It is expected that PPC members will:

- Share the parish vision for building a community of missionary disciples and developing a culture based on mission rather than maintenance.
- Have enthusiasm (and ideally a skill set) for developing the vision for parish renewal.
- Commit (as far as is possible) to attending the PPC meetings each year.
- Be willing to prepare for meetings by reading/viewing materials provided beforehand.

Current members include: Liz Challand, Joe McMahan, Felicia Bile and Kay Duggan. 2 or 3 members are sought.

If you would like to know more then please speak to current committee members after Saturday or Sunday Mass.

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Mass times		Feast Days	
6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Rita Forster RIP 5th Anniversary	Saturday 31st St Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne There is no record of the early life of this missionary Irish monk who was sent in 634 from the island of Iona off the west coast of Scotland to be the first Bishop of Lindisfarne on the east coast of Northumbria and convert the Anglo-Saxons to Christianity. This was at the request of King Oswald of Northumbria. Aidan was a man of outstanding gentleness, holiness and moderation. Any wealth given to Bishop Aidan was given to the poor or used to free slaves. His austere life style affected the behaviour of the king who adopted similar ways. Became great friends. King Oswald was killed in battle. Replaced in the southern province of Northumbria by King Oswin who also came under Aidan's influence. He was killed 11 days before death of Bishop Aidan on 31 st August 651. Called the <i>Apostle of Northumbria</i> .		
9.30 am Mass	Sunday 1st September Twenty – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Pat, John, Valerie, Peter and Carol Moon RIP		
6.30 pm Mass Wedding Anniversary of Christine and Trevor	Monday 2nd French Revolution Martyrs Over 1,500 clergy and very many nuns and brothers were killed by mobs or executed by the guillotine as martyrs. The Revolution started in 1789 and all Church property was taken and the taxing by tithes was stopped. The Church had always provided primary and secondary education and controlled the hospitals. Now priests, monks, nuns and bishops were required to swear an oath of allegiance to the new government that was killing the all French nobility. Hardly any conformed so the mob often took over and 100's were martyred and often monasteries, convents and churches stripped of anything of value. The <i>Reign of Terror</i> ended in 1794 after the execution at the Place de la Concorde in Paris of the Revolution leader Maximilien Robespierre on 28 th July. Another 21 leaders also guillotined.		

<p>10 am Mass Thanksgiving Mass for Santhosh</p>	<p>Tuesday 3rd St Pope Gregory the Great Born about 540 to a very wealthy Roman family. Gregory's great-great-grandfather had been Pope Felix III. He was well educated and excelled in his studies. Was a government official and, like his father, rose to the rank of the Prefect of Rome, the highest office in Rome. An outstanding administrator with a very sensitive spirit and lived devoutly. When his father died he handed his estates in Italy and Sicily to the Church and founded 7 monasteries, most in Sicily but one at his family villa, dedicated to St Andrew, in which he became a monk. Lived peacefully and with severe austerity that damaged his health. Then ordained and made one of the deacons of Rome. Sent by pope to Constantinople for 6 years. Back in Rome in 585. Abbot of his former monastery of St Andrew following Rule of St Basil. Reluctantly he accepted appointment as Pope Gregory in 590. The chaos of the Gothic War, 563-53, saw the fall in the power of Rome, with no secular authority functional. Pope Gregory with his old skills became the mayor and city manager of Rome. Rome was surrounded by aggressive Germanic Lombard armies of pagan barbarians. The wife of the Lombard King was a Catholic so Gregory agreed a truce to ensure peace. A reformer. Father of Christian Worship and Gregorian Chant. Sent Augustine and Paulinus to convert Anglo-Saxons in Britain. Died 604.</p>					
<p>SVP Social 1 pm to 3 pm 6.30 pm Mass</p>	<p>Wednesday 4th St Rose of Viterbo Born to a poor family in Italy in about 1233. In a dream during an illness aged 8, she had a vision of the Virgin Mary who told her to stay at home but join the Third Order of St Francis. Rose started preaching in the streets proclaiming the Gospel and encouraging people to embrace the faith. Rose asked to join the Poor Clares in Viterbo but was refused as she was too poor to provide a dowry. With some companions she started living in community with the idea of starting a new religious Order but it was stopped by Church authorities. Rose then asked the people to do more penance and giving their support to Pope Gregory IX whose Papal States were being attacked by King Fredrick II, the Holy Roman Emperor. The city of Viterbo was captured and Rose and her family went into exile. When Fredrick died in 1250, prophesied 8 days earlier by Rose, she returned to her home in Viterbo. Rose died on the 6th March 1251 aged 18 and eventually buried in the church of the monastery she wanted to join in Viterbo on 4th September, her feast day.</p>					
<p>10 am Mass</p>	<p>Thursday 5th St Mother Teresa of Calcutta Born in 1910 into a family in the Albanian community in Skopje, North Macedonia. Father died when she was 8 years old. Brought up by her mother who had been born in Kosovo. Left home at 18. Joined Sisters of Loreto in Ireland to learn English and be a missionary in India. A year later, in 1929, she continued her novitiate in India. Took the name Sister Teresa. Teacher at Loreto Convent in Calcutta for 18 years. Made headmistress in 1944 and then felt she needed to help the poor in Calcutta. Left the convent in 1948 in white blue bordered sari to train for social work with the poor. Entered slums to help for the first time in December 1948. Started each day with Communion. Rosary in hand went to serve "the unloved, the unwanted, the uncared for". She visited families, she washed the sores of children, cared for those she found sick in the street and nursed those dying of hunger and tuberculosis. In 1950 established <i>Missionaries of Charity Sisters</i> in Archdiocese of Calcutta and many joined her. By 1960's Mother Teresa was sending Sisters to other parts of India. Later she started new houses for her Sisters in other countries where there was extreme poverty including almost all of the Communist countries including Soviet Union and Cuba. To help the work she founded <i>Missionaries of Charity Brothers</i> in 1963, the <i>Contemplative Sisters</i> in 1976, in 1979 the <i>Contemplative Brothers</i>, and the <i>Missionaries of Charity Fathers</i> in 1984. For the Catholic laity that were helping in the work she founded <i>Co-Workers of Mother Teresa and the Sick</i>. For those of other faiths and none and from various nationalities she founded <i>Suffering Co-Workers</i>. She was awarded the <i>Nobel Prize</i> in 1979. By 1997, Mother Teresa had been joined by nearly 4,000 Sisters, 300 Brothers who were established in 610 foundations in 123 countries. There were over one million <i>Co-Workers</i>. Made her last trip abroad and met Pope John Paul II for last time. Died in Calcutta on 5th September 1997. Buried in the Mother House. Tomb became place of pilgrimage.</p>					
<p>NO MASS</p>	<p>Friday 6th St Bega Irish princess born in the 7th century. Escaped from Ireland after being promised in marriage to a pagan Viking prince as she wanted to stay a virgin and devote her life to Christ. She landed at St Bees on the west coast of Cumbria, south of the present day town of Whitehaven. She built herself a cell and lived in solitude as an anchoress dedicating her life to God for many years. When the area was raided by pirates St Oswald, King of Northumbria advised her to join a convent as a nun for her protection. She received the veil from St Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne. She established a convent at St Bees from land she obtained by the <i>snow miracle</i> from the local landowner. St Bees Priory became famous and helped the poor and oppressed.. Many miracles were associated with Abbess Bega - curing people and punishing those who tried to steal from her.</p>					
<p>6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Birthday of Siby Mathew and Joanna Siby</p>	<p>Saturday 7th Blessed John Duckett Born 1603 to a Yorkshire Catholic family. Grandson of Blessed James Duckett, a bookseller of Catholic books in London who was martyred at Tyburn on 19th April 1602. At 17 was sent to France for his education. Ordained a priest at Douai in 1639. Returned to England on English mission in 1643. Ministered mainly around Durham. Renown for hard work, cheerfulness, sanctity and spiritual guidance. Arrested during the Civil War by Roundheads in July 1644. Admitted to being a priest who was trained abroad. Taken to London with Fr Ralph Corby SJ and imprisoned in Newgate. All impressed with the joy and sanctity of the pair. Found guilty 4th September. Sentenced to death which they both accepted with cheerfulness despite being offered a possibility of reprieve. Executed at Tyburn on 7th September 1644. Both beatified in 1929.</p>					
<p>9.30 am Mass</p>	<p>Sunday 8th September Twenty – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>					
<p>PLEASE PRINT IN BLOCK CAPITALS WHEN RECORDING NAMES FOR MASS INTENTION</p>						
<p>Your prayers are needed for the following people</p>						
<p>Sue Chandler</p>	<p>Hazel Sale</p>	<p>Joe Heatley</p>	<p>Fr Shaun Budden</p>	<p>Trevor Delves</p>	<p>Valerie Baker</p>	

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SVP Social is on this Wednesday 4th September – 1pm to 3 pm

This is another opportunity to meet for refreshments and a chat. Please come along with your friends.

No need to stay for the whole time, a few minutes of 2 hours, whatever suits you. Renee and Pat.

Parish collection for last weekend 24th and 25th August

Parish Gift Aid Envelopes	Gift Aid	Parish Loose Collection	Direct debits, standing orders	Gift Aid	Total of Offertory Collection	Wednesday Social	Gift Aid	Loose	TOTAL of all money
£89	£22.25	£152.72	£242.54	£51.98	£558.49	£30.40	----	----	£588.89