



Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great



Twenty Sixth in Ordinary Time

Year B / Week 2

A warm welcome is extended to everyone

Please take this bulletin home

Jesus said, "Do not forbid him; for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon after to speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is for us. For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ, will by no means lose his reward."

This week Pope Francis has been in the United States, speaking to Congress and the United Nations, reminding them of the sacred dignity of every human person, especially during these troubled times.

Our world is facing a refugee crisis of a magnitude not seen since the Second World War. This presents us with great challenges and many hard decisions. We must not be taken aback by their numbers, but rather view them as persons, seeing their faces and listening to their stories, trying to respond as best we can to their situation. To respond in a way which is always humane, just and fraternal. We need to avoid a common temptation nowadays: to discard whatever proves troublesome. Let us remember the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Mt 7:12).

Quote from the early church fathers: The merciful works of the unbaptized, by Augustine of Hippo, 354-430 A.D.

"His situation (Mark 9:38) was in some ways parallel to that of one who, while not yet embracing the sacraments of Christ, nevertheless esteems the Christian name so far as even to welcome Christians and accommodate oneself to their service for this very reason and no other - that they are Christians. This is the type of person of whom it was said that he would not lose his reward (Matthew 10:42; Mark 9:41). (excerpt from Harmony of the Gospels 4.6.)

Fr John

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PARISH NOTICES

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. Life is incredibly tough in Niger. With dry seasons it makes it more difficult to grow crops. Through your generosity we provided Hamani's community with enough basic food to keep them alive. But his community want to be self-sufficient. Your support this Harvest, will ensure millions will be able to grow enough food. Signing up to 'Hands On' in Niger, will be supporting an entire community with tools and knowledge to not only survive, but flourish. Please see the attached envelope for more on giving at Harvest Fast Day and

how to take part in this life-changing opportunity. Thank you for your support.

CAFOD Soup Lunch is on Friday Fast Day 2nd October at 12.15pm in the JP Room. Home-made soup, bread & cheese. All welcome!

St Catherine's School will be conducting tours for parents of children who are due to start Reception in September 2016. Tours are on Wednesday 14 Oct and Wednesday 11 Nov at 9am. To register, please contact the school.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 27 September 2015

CAFOD Talk after all Masses

- 18.30* Mass Anne Boylan (int)
- 08.00 Mass Kathryn Vassallo ann +
- 09.30 Mass Marie Flemming +
- 11.15 Mass Parish & People
- 17.45 Evening Prayer
- 18.30 Mass Youth SVP (int)

Monday 28

St Wenceslaus

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
- 10.00 Mass Madge & Basil Sawyer ann +
- 11.00 Meditation - P (all welcome)
- 20.00 RCIA - JP Room
- 19.30 1st HC Parents Meeting - PH

Tuesday 29

Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
- 10.00 Mass Eddy Gay ann +
- 18.00 YOB Club - PH
- 19.30 Year 9 Parents Meeting - PH

Wednesday 30

St Jerome

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
- 10.00 Mass Mary Fitzsimons (int)
(followed by Adoration & Benediction till 11.30)
- 13.00 Friendship Club - JP Rm (see notices)
- 17.15 Novena: Mother of Perp' Help (BSC)
- 18-19.00 Adoration - C

Thursday 01

St Therese of the Child Jesus

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
- 10.00 Mass Simone Dujardin (int)
- 12.00 Parish Office Closed

Friday 02

The Holy Guardian Angels

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
- 10.00 Mass Terry & Anne Malone (int)
(followed by Adoration & Benediction till 11.30)
- 12.15 CAFOD Soup Lunch - JP Room
- 19-20.00 Adoration - C

Saturday 03

- 09.30 RE Class - JP Room
- 10.00 Mass Anne Pullen +
- 14.30 Parish Tea Dance - PH
- 18.00 Sac of Reconciliation
- 18.30* Mass Maurice & Bernadette Hunt (int)

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Mass Celebrating the Gifts of all People with a special welcome for people with learning disabilities is on Sunday 4th October at the 6.30pm Mass. All welcome!

Ascent Group meet on Tuesday 6 October after the 10.00 Mass in the JP Room. Please remember your Joy of the Gospel book.

Two Year Confirmation Programme Year 9. All parish young people who wish to be Confirmed are required to register. **Please note if you miss registration**, your two year Confirmation programme will then begin in Year 10.

Candidate Registration takes place on the 5, 6 & 7 October from 4.00pm-6.00pm. You MUST contact the presbytery to arrange an appointment.

Parents Meeting is this Tuesday 29 September at 7.30pm in the parish hall.

Help combat loneliness with Sunday teas. 'Contact the Elderly' organise monthly Sunday afternoon tea parties for people aged 75 and over who live on their own without nearby friends & family. Our parish is delighted to be working with Caritas Westminster to launch a new group here but in order to do this, we need volunteers. **To find out more, please come along to a meeting in the JP Room on Tuesday 13 October at 7.00pm** [see poster in porch].

Parish Tea Dance in PH Saturday 3rd October, 2.30-4.30pm (doors open 2pm). Admission £3 (refreshments & raffle). Proceeds to Barnet YSVP Redcaps and KSC Charities. Donations of raffle prizes and cakes gratefully received. All welcome!

The Resurrection Choir from St Petersburg are returning to sing another concert here on Sunday 18 October after 6.30pm Mass. Beautiful gifts on sale. Suggested donation £5 per person.

Sing what you see is a short-sight singing course. If you can read music a bit but want to learn

how to sing what you read, contact Frances for details. No charge! Dates: Tuesdays 6, 13, & 20 October 8pm-9pm.

The Sunday evening Mass music group is growing! If you enjoy singing at that Mass and would like to help lead the singing, contact Frances [see music for the liturgy]

Secondary School Priest reference signing forms will take place in the Presbytery on Tuesday 13 October 16.30-18.00, Friday 16 October 16.30-18.30 and Tuesday 20 October 18.00-20.00. **Please telephone the presbytery to make your appointment** and please bring your son/daughter with you.

Chipping Barnet Day Centre Autumn Fayre: Saturday 17 October 10.30am-1.00pm. We need your help please with home-made cakes, jams and preserves, raffle prizes and gifts for our gift stall. Thank you in advance.

APF Red Box Collection: Many thanks to Linda Atkinson who has taken over the running of APF. **On World Mission Weekend, 17/18 October**, Linda will be available after each Mass to collect your red box donations or if you wish to find out more or take home a red box.

Churches Together for Chipping Barnet/HAB Night Shelter Project 2015/16 is back. From the 12th Oct'15 to March '16 at St John the Baptist Church, Thursday evening/Friday mornings and at St Mark's Church, Barnet Vale from 4th January 2016 to 20th March 2016 on Sunday evenings/Monday mornings. **Forms for both churches** are available in the porch.

Eucharistic Adoration is on Wednesdays at 10.30-11.30am in church and 6.00-7.00pm in the chapel and on Fridays at 10.30-11.30am and 7.00-8.00pm in church. All welcome.

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open Mon to Fri 8am to 8.00pm for private prayer.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick & Homebound: Jane-Rose Azemi, Thomas Houlihan, Don & Ann Lewis, Liz Clarke, Janet Bennett, Anne-Marie Nowell, David Brown, Tony Costello, Thomas Geiger, Linda Quilter, Margaret Trehy, Emanuele Brunelli, Michael Mulvaney, Pat Lucid, Pauline Purdue, Michael Ball, Helen Day, Niamh Easton, Jeanne Ellis, Stephen Carey, Stasia Ryan, Bishop John Crowley, Theresa Mordue, Doreen Bernas, James Brown, Nancy Dillon, Bridget Allin, Amelia Simon, Kate Waters, Donna Morrison, Linda Atkinson, Dominic Buckmire, Judith Townsend, Christopher & Clifford Browne, Michael Wildsmith, Shelley Rowan, Alex Mayer, Troy Hopkins, Arthur Spikes, Segun Balogun, Tommy Watkins, Annabel Nnochiri, Elio Marcangelo, Fr Fred De L'Orme, Diana Faller, Pat Cosgrove, Stuart Atkinson, Evelyn McManamon, Mary O'Toole, Irene Jones, Eleanor Rooney, Ivor Francis, Bernard Lydon, Maxwell Hutchinson, John-Joe Murphy, Maria Wallace, Bernard Eason, Therese Barratt, Siobhan Hickey, Mariela Mansi, Jean Watkins, India Briers, Michael Finnegan, Teresa Woodhouse, Mary Wallace.

Sacrament of Baptism: Malachy Fox, Melvin Pineda, Maximilian Watson, Oliver Ractliffe, Logan Browne, Lochlann Brooks, Connie Bourke, Fiona Obe, Elsie Kent.

Recently Departed: Ellie Reilly

MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

09.30 Mass

Entrance 302
Offertory: 926
Communion: Love each other, one another, love each other in the way that I have loved you. Walk together and whatever comes love each in the way that I have loved you.
924
Going Forth: 883

11.15 Mass

Entrance 788
Prayer R/: Listen to our prayer
Offertory: 905
Communion: 815
Going Forth: 970

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