



Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great



Twenty Seventh in Ordinary Time

Year B / Week 3

A warm welcome is extended to everyone

Please take this bulletin home

And they were bringing children to him, that he might bless them; and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it he was indignant, and said to them, "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God".

One thing we can know for sure is that God has a great love for children. You may have heard recently of the account of Pope Francis blessing a small baby who was healed of a heart condition. Lynn Cassidy has no other words to explain what happened to her 3-month-old daughter Ave. Ave was born with Down syndrome, eye problems and hearing complications. Most concerning were the two holes in her heart. "It seems like it was really meant to happen," Lynn said. "And it's as close to a miracle as we'll ever see, I'm sure." On a visit to the Vatican the Cassidy family waited for hours at the barricade. When the motorcade turned into the square, Lynn's husband Scott held Ave up in the air. "It was like the Lion King," Lynn said. "The secret service person, Johnny, stopped and took her from Scott and held her up to the Pope. The Pope asked my husband, 'How old is she? What's her name?' He told (the Pope) she has two holes in her heart. When we got home in May, we went back to the cardiologist for a check-up. One of the holes was completely closed and one was half the size." The mother said the story may be incredible timing, but she believes it's divine intervention. One thing for sure, we believe that Jesus Christ is still able to heal today and that he has a great love for children.

Quote from the early church fathers: Mutual servants, equally serving, by Tertullian, 160-225 A.D. "Where are we to find language adequately to express the happiness of that marriage which the church cements, the oblation confirms, the benediction signs and seals, the angels celebrate, and the Father holds as approved? For all around the earth young people do not rightly and lawfully wed without their parents' consent. What kind of yoke is that of two believers who share one hope, one desire, one discipline, one service. Truly they are 'two in one flesh' (*Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:5; Ephesians 5:31*). Where the flesh is one, the spirit is one as well. (*excerpt from to his wife 2.8*)

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Fr John

PARISH NOTICES

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.** *Sue Day will be saying a few words after Mass today.*

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. 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. Thank you for your kind donations and continuing support.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 4 October 2015

- 18.30* Mass Maurice & Bernadette Hunt (int)
 08.00 Mass Helen & Julian Bondell ann +
 09.30 Mass Mary Landers ann +
 11.15 Mass Sheila Kinsella ann +
 12.30 Baptisms: Malachy Fox & Melvin Pineda
 17.45 Evening Prayer
 18.30 Mass Parish & People
(with special welcome for people with learning disabilities)

Monday 5

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
 10.00 Mass Agatha Murphy +
 11.00 Meditation - P (all welcome)
 20.00 RCIA - JP Room

Tuesday 6

- St Bruno**
 09.30 Morning Prayer
 10.00 Mass Paddy Dowling +
 10.30 Ascent Group - JP Room
 18.00 KOB Club - PH
 19.30 KSC 560 - PH

Wednesday 7

- Our Lady of the Rosary**
 09.30 Morning Prayer
 10.00 Mass Patrick Cunningham +
(followed by Adoration & Benediction till 11.30)
 17.15 Novena: Mother of Perp' Help (BSC)
 18-19.00 Adoration - C

Thursday 8

- 09.30 Morning Prayer
 10.00 Mass Hannah Marie Cooke ann +
 12.00 Parish Office Closed

Friday 9

- Blessed John Henry Newman**
 09.30 Morning Prayer
 10.00 Mass Celia Dowling + *(followed by Adoration & Benediction till 11.30)*
 19-20.00 Adoration - C

Saturday 10

- St Paulinus of York**
 10.00 Mass Elizabeth Clear +
 18.00 Sac of Reconciliation
 18.30* Mass Jacques Quesnel +

Sunday 11 Twenty Eighth of the Year

[normal Mass times]

- 09.30 Mass 1st HC Reconciliation (1) begins
 18.30 Mass of Thanksgiving for those Confirmed this year & Mass of Induction for current Year 9 & 10 Confirmation candidates

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Polite Notice: Starting from the 11 October, please may we ask parishioners at the 9.30 and 11.15 Masses to be mindful of the parking surrounding the church. This year we have an extra large number of First Holy Communicants being prepared. If possible, please seek alternative parking arrangements after the 9.30 Mass to avoid the arrival of the 11.15 Mass.

Parking is available in the Longrove Surgery and free to park in Union street on Sundays. (do check other streets). Thank you for your understanding.

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.

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 telephone the presbytery this week. **Please note if you miss registration,** your two year Confirmation programme will then begin in Year 10.

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.

Music Rehearsal Monday 5th Oct 6.30pm-7.30pm for all involved in leading music at the Sunday Evening Mass, including the teenagers' music group, this is to prepare for evening Mass next Sunday 11th Oct.

Secondary School Priest reference signing forms will take place in the Presbytery on 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.

Gardening Club are having an Autumn Tidy Up on Saturday 10 October from 10am. They are in need of new volunteers as some members have had to leave. All welcome - whatever time you can give is gratefully received. Refreshments provided. Please bring your own tools. Contact Cathy for further information: 07989818272.

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 Next Refreshment weekend: is on the 10/11 October after all Masses in the JP Room, hosted by the CAFOD group. All welcome!

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, Eleanor Baker, Martina Rooney.

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

Recently Departed: Paul Murray & Ellie Reilly

MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

09.30 Mass

Entrance 854

Psalm: 58

Offertory: 416

Communion: You have called us by our name, we belong to you. You have called us by our name and we are yours. 687

Going Forth: 878

11.15 Mass

Entrance 694

Psalm: 409

Prayer R/: Listen to our prayer

Offertory: 726

Communion: We though many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Going Forth: 801

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