



# 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Week 4 Year B

### Sunday 10th October 2021

6pm\* Ricky Diamond (RIP)  
**8.30am:** Angelo Alfano (RIP)  
**10.30am:** 1st HC Thanksgiving Mass) Paul Sutherland (RIP)  
 6pm: Teresa Stebbings (int)

### Mon 11

(Church open 10am-6pm)  
**6.00pm:** George Jordache (ann.)

### Tues 12

(Church open 10am-6pm)  
 9.30am Morning prayer  
**10am:** Julian Brotherton (int.)

**Wed 13** NO MASS  
 (parish office closed)

### Thurs 14

**10am:** (Private Intention)

### Fri 15 St Teresa of Avila

(Church open 10am-7pm)  
 9.30am Morning prayer  
**10am:** Margaret Simons (RIP)  
 (1.30pm: Christian Meditation)  
 (6pm-7pm Adoration)

### Sat 16

6pm\* Rita Deasy (RIP)

### Sun 17 29th in Ordinary Time

**8.30am:** Paddy Costello (ann.)  
**10.30am:** Rodney Fernandes (RIP)  
 6pm: José Sumaylo (ann.)

And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"... And Jesus looking upon him loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."

A young man who had the best the world could offer - wealth and security - came to Jesus because he lacked one thing. He wanted the kind of lasting peace and happiness which money could not buy him. The answer he got, however, was not what he was looking for. He protested that he kept all the commandments - but Jesus spoke to the trouble in his heart. One thing kept him from giving himself wholeheartedly to God. While he lacked nothing in material goods, he was nonetheless possessive of what he had. He placed his hope and security in what he owned. Why did he go away from Jesus with great sorrow and sadness rather than with joy? His treasure and his hope for happiness were misplaced. Jesus challenged the young man because his heart was possessive. He was afraid to give to others for fear that he would lose what he had gained. He sought happiness and security in what he possessed rather than in who he could love and serve and give himself in undivided devotion.

Why does Jesus tell his disciples to "sell all" for the treasure of his kingdom? Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. May we discover this weekend that the Lord Himself is the greatest treasure we can have.

Quote from the Early Church Fathers: Seek the life that endures, St Augustine of Hippo, 354-430 A.D. "The Lord said to a certain young man, 'If you would enter life, keep the commandments'. He did not say 'If you would have life' but 'If you would enter life,' defining that life as eternal life. Let us first consider then the love of this life. Hence we should see, we should consider, how much eternal life is to be loved, when this miserable life that must at some time be ended is so loved. Consider, brothers and sisters, how much that life is to be loved when it is a life you never end. You love this life, where you work so much, run, are busy and pant. In this busy life the obligations can scarcely be counted and after all this hard work your life comes to an end. Learn therefore, brothers and sisters, to seek eternal life, when you will not endure these things but will reign with God forever." Fr John

**ALPHA 2021:** The pandemic has raised many questions about what is important to us, and perhaps you are wondering 'what is life really all about?'

You may have been a Catholic all your life but have wondered "who is Jesus and who is He to me?" Why not join us for Alpha to discover together.

**When and Where:** 7.30pm Mondays with refreshments

**Second session: THIS MONDAY... 11 October 2021** in the Parish Hall

**Registration is free:** please register at: [www.barnetalpha.com](http://www.barnetalpha.com)

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# NOTICES

## NEW MASS TIMES

SATURDAY (vigil): 6.00pm

SUNDAY: 8.30am, 10.30am and 6.00pm

MONDAY: 6.00pm (not 6.30pm)

TUESDAY 10.00am, WEDNESDAY no mass,

THURSDAY: 10.00am and FRIDAY: 10.00am

**SATURDAY RE GROUP:** November 6th and 20th, December 4th and 11th. **Where?:** In the JP Room **Time?:** 9.30-10.45am

**Who is the group for?:** We welcome all children from Reception to Y6 who attend non-Catholic schools and worship in our parish.

**What will you do?:** We start each session with a prayer, reflection and song. We may talk about seasons of the liturgical year, feast days or concentrate on the gospel for the coming Sunday. We then break into groups with more focused teaching for KS1 and KS2 children. Our classes aim to give the children an overview of the RE teaching they would receive in a Catholic school. We do not provide specific preparation for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, this is addressed elsewhere in the parish.

It would be helpful if each child brings their own pencil case with lead and coloured pencils as we have been advised that, due to Covid precautions, we do not share resources.

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY:** Thank-you to all who attended the CAFOD Soup Lunch. We raised £542.10.

**LIFE ASCENDING - A Christian Movement for those in their middle and later years:** Meetings are every 1st

and 3rd Tuesday of the month. **Next meeting is on Tuesday 19th October after the 10am Mass.** If you are interested in attending, please contact Sue Francis on 07951 495192.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021-22 FOR PARISH CHILDREN IN SCHOOL\* YEAR 3:** is available online. Please email Anita on [anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk) with your forms.

\*Please note if your child is not attending a faith school, they must have attended our parish RE Classes for a year before enrolling onto the HC Programme.

**MORNING PRAYER:** Every Tuesday and Friday 9.30am in church.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** 'Maranatha' every Friday 1.30pm in church.

**ADORATION:** Every Friday 6pm-7pm in Church (except first Friday of every month).

**THURSDAY COFFEE MORNINGS** are back! After the 10am Mass in the JP Room. All welcome.

**SECONDARY SCHOOL PRIEST REFERENCE SIGNING FORMS:** CCP Forms are available on our parish website: click '**About**' and '**Schools**'.

**Fr John will be signing forms on the 12th October.** Please EMAIL the parish office to book an appointment; these will be given on a first come, first serve basis. After the usual 'parish checks' have taken place, your appointment will be confirmed by email. Please complete the CCP ahead of your appointment and your son/daughter is to attend with you.

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**\*\*Please remember in your prayers the sick, their families and all who care for them, including:** Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Linda & Stuart Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Amparo Abalos, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Margaret Trehy, Joe Connolly, Mary Harris, Steven Hunt, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Julie Lown, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Marlene Hollocks, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, Leonor Driscoll, John Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, Suzanne Greig and the Nestor family.

(\*\*please note we are updating our prayer requests. You will see many names have been removed - if you wish for them to be placed back on the prayer list, please email the presbytery - thank you).

**Recently Died:** Maurice Hunt

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