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The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9th JUNE 2024

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Moved by the Holy Spirit, we gather today as a family, a parish family as well as children of God to celebrate the Eucharist. It is appropriate to think of our family of faith, for in the Gospel today we hear Jesus tell the crowds that whoever does the will of God is a part of his family. We may not always be conscious of our closeness to the Lord, so let us pray that we may come to recognize the gift that allows us to be sisters and brothers of Jesus as we do our best to do God's will. *From "Pastoral Patterns" © 2023 World Library Publications*

For the time being, we will suspend the celebration of the 6.00pm Vigil Mass on a Saturday evening.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday 9th June	**The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**	9.15am The People of the Parish
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Sunday 16th June		9.15am Danuta Brzozowska RIP
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All Masses will be celebrated in the Church of St Richard of Chichester, Buntingford

Prayer Intentions. At this time of the year we are asked to pray for: A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; Human Life; Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression and denial of Human Rights; Europe; Seafarers.

For those who are ill: Sim Tan
For those who have died recently: Prima Stead, Monica Giles, Greg Philo, David Williamson
And for those whose Anniversaries are at this time: Danuta Brzozowska,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Thank you for your last week's Offertory collection which came to £145.30; plus the Regular Standing Orders

Providing Lifts. Further to Fr John's announcement last week, if you are able to be part of a rota of parishioners offering a lift to our supply priests, please sign up on the sheet on the table near the font.

Sacraments. If you, or your children, would like to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation, please speak to Deacon Paul after Mass today about the Preparation Programmes which will start in September.

Catechists. We also need catechists to help prepare candidates to receive the Sacraments. If that is something you have done before, or if you would like to find out more about what it involves, please speak to Deacon Paul.

St Richard's Feast Day. We will celebrate the feast day of St Richard of Chichester on Sunday 23rd June with a special Mass and a picnic in the church grounds. Please bring a dish to share and your own drinks. To ensure that we have a good variety food to share, please write what you plan to bring on the list in the notice board in the porch.

Parishioners Details Forms. We are trying to collect the details of our parishioners so that we can keep in contact with you. Please take one light blue form per household from the porch to complete and return next week.

Mass Intentions. If you have previously booked a Mass Intention, or would like a Mass offered for an intention, please write the details on an envelope along with your offering and hand it in at the sacristy after Mass. Deacon Paul will be able to arrange a suitable date for you. Please note the one Mass each week will be celebrated for the People of the Parish.

Refreshments after Mass. Please join us in Benson Hall for tea and coffee after the 9.15 Mass this morning. If you attend the 11.00 Mass, you are invited to come early so that you can join us before Mass. We look forward to seeing you there.

New Auxiliary Bishop in Westminster. Pope Francis has appointed a new Auxiliary Bishop for the Diocese. He is Mgr Jim Curry, who is a Priest of our own Diocese. At present he is Parish Priest Our Lady of Victories Parish in Kensington. The Mass of Ordination will be celebrated in Westminster Cathedral on Tuesday 18th June 2024 at 12 noon. All are welcome, there is no need for tickets – Just turn up.

Day for Life. Next Sunday we will celebrate the Day for Life. This year we focus on the theme of compassion and hope at the end of life as well as the reasons why the Church opposes the proposal to introduce assisted suicide or euthanasia. The Bishops' Conference has a dedicated section of their website on this topic. https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/