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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 11th September 2022
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 18th September 2022

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HM Queen Elizabeth II
1926-2022

RIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 10th September
Sunday 11th September

Vigil: 24th Sunday
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.00pm Emma Murphy RIP
8.30am People of the Parish
10.30am Anna, Wladyslaw & Sygmunt Ziegert

No weekday Masses this week

Saturday 17th September
Sunday 18th September

Vigil: 25th Sunday
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.00pm John Andrews RIP
8.30am Maura Fox RIP
10.30am People of the Parish

No weekday Masses this week

Saturday 24th September

Vigil: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.00pm People of the Parish

Entrance Antiphon:

Liturgy of the Word: 11th September 2022

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm:

I will leave this place and go to my father.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

Next week's Readings:

Amos 8:4-7, Psalm 112, 1 Timothy 2:1-8, Luke 16:1-13

Entrance Antiphon:

Liturgy of the Word: 18th September 2022

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Responsorial Psalm:

Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Next week's Readings:

Amos 6:1,4-7, Psalm 145, 1 Timothy 6:11-16, Luke 16:19-31

Gospel Reflection

The gospel tells us "tax collectors and sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say." Wealthy tax collectors were despised by the Jews because they often forced the people to pay much more than was due. Sinners, like prostitutes and adulterers, were a scandal to public decency. The Pharisees had strict regulations to avoid all contact with them, lest they incur ritual defilement. They were not to entrust money to sinners of bad repute, or have any business dealings with them nor invite them as guests, or be their guests. The scribes and Pharisees were shocked at Jesus going out of his way to meet with tax collectors and public sinners, treating them like friends and even going to their homes to eat with them.

Jesus offers tax collectors and sinners forgiveness, mercy and the promise of full membership of God's kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy. When the Pharisees question Jesus' practice of associating with sinners, Jesus tells the story of the shepherd searching for the one lost sheep, the woman searching for a lost coin. The shepherd's grief and anxiety is turned to joy when he finds the lost sheep and restores it to the fold, similarly, the woman's panic turns to joy when she finds the coin that she had misplaced. Both the shepherd and the housewife search until what they have lost is found. In the same way, God never gives up on people who have lost their way; he is always out there looking for them. Jesus shows that those shunned by the religious authorities or polite society of the day are loved and fully accepted by God, who does not want to lose anyone, but who rejoices at the return home of those who have been lost for a while.

"This is the mission of the Church . . . to open doors, to free people, to say that God is good, God forgives all, God is affectionate, God always waits for us." (Pope Francis).

We welcome Canon Michael Munnely to say Mass this weekend and next as Fr John is taking a break. There will be no weekday masses whilst Fr John is away.

DEC Pakistan Flood Appeal

Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected and donate now at cafod.org.uk/give. Or see the poster in the Narthex and donate using the QR code.



St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage across England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in a church or cathedral near them. For further

details on when the relics will be in the Diocese of Westminster visit <http://www.stbernadette.org.uk/> or see the poster at the back of church.

The dates/times for *St Joseph's Church, Stevenage*

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Led by Cardinal Vincent, this year's pilgrimage takes place on the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, **24th September**. The theme for this year's pilgrimage is *'Mary, Mother of Sorrows, Mother of Joy'*.

If you are interested in going on the pilgrimage **St Matthew's Church in Northwood may have spaces on their coach**. Ring Cheryl, St Matthew's parish office on 01923 840 736 (between 9am-11am) or email siobhanhogg@rcdow.org.uk Cost £20 for coach + £5 levy for cost of pilgrimage.

Catholic Herald Subscription To commemorate the visit of The Relics of St Bernadette, The Catholic Herald has a very special introductory subscription rate of **3 months for only £3**, which gives you the opportunity to try it out with no obligation for only £1 per issue (usual price £5). Or using the code **PAR2022** will get you £5 off a full 12 month print and digital subscription. You can order online at <https://catholicherald.co.uk/purchase-a-subscription> or telephone Margaret on 0203 882 94332 or Rebecca on 0207 082 6529.



ST JOAN OF ARC Catholic Secondary School

Open Evening on **Thursday 6th October 6-9pm** & Open Morning on **Friday 7th October 9-11.30am** for students and parents who are seeking admission in September 2023. To find out more about the school and download an application form visit www.joa.herts.sch.uk

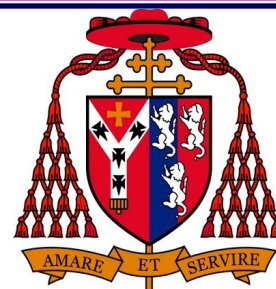
CARDINAL VAUGHAN MEMORIAL SCHOOL

OPEN EVENINGS 2022 for Admission in September 2023

Year 7: Thursday 15th & Tuesday 20th September 2022

Year 12 (external candidates): Thursday 6th October & Tuesday 11th October

Please see www.cvms.co.uk for full details, including the deadline and arrangements for applying for a music place.



Please remember all our sick parishioners in your prayers, especially

Helen Birch, Tom O'Connor, Bebe Ryan, Bernadette Cruickshank and Alice Sheppard.

Offertory for Sunday 4th September

Envelopes £ 273.67
Loose Plate £ 260.40
Total £ 534.07

Many thanks