

The Catholic Parish of Carpenders Park & South Oxhey  
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THE ONE  
WHO SAID  
**THANK YOU**  
LUKE 17:11-19

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 9th October 2022**

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### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8th October	Vigil: 28th Sunday	6.00pm	John Pereira RIP
Sunday 9th October	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am	Elizabeth & Dick Pugh RIP
		10.30am	Anne & John Callan RIP
Tuesday 11th October	Feria	7.00pm	Noah Vaz RIP
Wednesday 12th October	Feria	9.15am	John Green
Thursday 13th October	St Edward the Confessor	9.15am	John Collins RIP
Friday 14th October	Feria	9.15am	Denise Cunningham
Saturday 15th October	Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.00pm	People of the Parish

**CONFESSIONS Saturday 5.30pm or see Fr John**

**Mass Intentions: Please leave plenty of time if you want a special date**

### Liturgy of the Word: 9th October 2022

**Entrance Antiphon:** If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Your words are spirit, Lord  
and they are life:  
you have the message of eternal life.  
Alleluia!

**Next week's Readings:** Exodus 17:8-13, Psalm 120, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8

### Gospel Reflection

In this week's Gospel, Jesus heals a group of lepers. Only one of them, a Samaritan, stops to thank Jesus and to praise God. The action of the Samaritan outsider puts to shame that of the Jewish insiders who should have known better.

Leprosy made a person not only contagiously diseased, but also ritually unclean. They lived a life apart. The Greek word they use in their anguished cry to Jesus is: *eleison!* Have mercy! The words we pray at the beginning of every Mass, expressing our faith and trust in the power of Jesus to help us.

Sometimes like the nine lepers who fail to give thanks to God, we can be so caught up with our own concerns, worries or problems, that we take for granted His goodness, mercy and love, and the many blessings lavished upon us.

The Greek word Luke uses for the leper's thanksgiving in today's story is *eucharistein*. The Mass is a sacrifice of praise and thanks to God. We gather together week by week because the best possible way of expressing our thanks to the Lord for all his gifts is through participation in the Holy Eucharist. Here is made present Christ's gift of Himself to us: his body offered for us in sacrifice, his blood poured out for us. He gave his life for each one of us freely, simply, out of love. In Holy Communion we receive him with open hearts and minds; we offer praise for what he has done for us and return due thanks. We truly encounter God's mercy and love. We are sustained by this life giving bread and we glorify the Lord when we let his love shine forth in our lives.

As he said to the thankful leper, so Jesus says to us at the end of every Mass "go on your way, your faith has saved you."

## Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP)

Fr John will be signing the certificates for school admission on **Wednesday 12th October 6-7pm** in the Parish Office. No appointment needed.



## CAFOD Family Fast Day



World Food Crisis Appeal  
Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the envelope or go to [cafod.org.uk/fastday](http://cafod.org.uk/fastday)

## The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC)



SPUC is holding a one-day conference on the important topic of **Abortion and Coercion**

Many women have an abortion against their wishes. SPUC is campaigning to expose the scourge of coerced abortion and to gain recognition that this is a form of abuse against women.

**Saturday 22 October in London SW1**

9.30am-4.30pm . Cost £35 Concessions £25. Lunch included.

To book a place contact Katherine Hampton on 01892 542616 or email [katherinehampton@spuc.org.uk](mailto:katherinehampton@spuc.org.uk)

## WATFORD SCHOOLS TRUST –VACANCY



WST is looking for a part time Primary Schools Worker to join Watford Schools Trust's team for an 18 month fixed term with the possibility of this being extended depending on funding.

It is a flexible position for approximately 15-18 hours per week (term time only) offering a pay rate of £12-£13 per hour dependent on previous experience.

For further details see the flyer on the noticeboard or contact the Chair of Trustees for an application pack at [chair@watfordschoolstrust.org](mailto:chair@watfordschoolstrust.org)

**Closing date for applications: Friday 28th October 2022**

## 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](http://cafod.org.uk/give). Or see the poster in the Narthex and donate using the QR code.



## St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022



In 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.

**Monday 17th October:** visit of St Bernadette's relics to St Joseph's Church, Bedwell Crescent, Stevenage, Herts. SG1 1NJ. Church open 1pm to midnight, then **Tuesday 18th** from 6.00 to 8.15am. Masses: Monday 5pm, 7pm (Solemn Mass with Bishop Paul McAleenan, procession), 10pm, and Tuesday 7am. See poster at the back of church. For the full programme, visit: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stevenage/>

**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 2nd October

Envelopes £239.46

Loose £251.01

**TOTAL £490.47**

*Many Thanks*