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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B

29th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B

Saturday	16th	5.00pm		For the sick
Sunday	17th	9.00am		Veronica Ojuri (Int.)
		11.00am		People of the Parish
Monday	18th	9.30am	St. Luke, Evangelist	
Tuesday	19th	9.30am	St. Paul of the Cross	Holy Souls
Wednesday	20th	9.30am	Feria	Joshua MacNeill (Int.)
Friday	22nd	9:00am	Exposition & Mass (St. John Paul II, Pope)	Mothers bereaved of children

30th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B

Saturday	23rd	5.00 pm
Sunday	24th	9.00 am
		11.00 am

Reconciliation – please telephone the presbytery for an appointment

We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Gina, Mary Bernard, Maria Keith, Alba G, Julia Abimbola, Peggy, Martin, Ramasaway and Jane Boswell. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially, Tony McColgan, Anesta, Annesley, Betty Addison, Eileen Morley, Sarafina Spadofara, Benedetta Catarinicchia, Tim Sullivan, Bernard Turner, Daphne Xavier, Richard Collison, Ann Neary, Father John Miller and Brian Stephenson. We also remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11 God's faithful Servant bears the world's sins and sorrow; but he will prosper in the end **Second Reading:** Hebrews 4:14-16 Jesus knows our needs and weaknesses. Our high priest is very approachable **Gospel Reading:** Mark 10:35-45 Jesus overturns our ranking system; people who serve are greatest in God's sight

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

The approach of James and John, in today's Gospel, is not unlike the way many of us come to God. We approach him in prayer with the greatest fervour, whenever we want something for ourselves. Jesus responds to their request with a request of his own, thereby showing that what he wants for us must take priority over what we want for ourselves. The only request worth making is that which he taught us to make, "Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (Mt 6:10.) His will, as expressed in today's Gospel, is that we should share in his cup and in his baptism, that cup which he was to ask the Father to take from him (Mk 14:36), and that baptism of fire which he knew he had to undergo. His death on the cross was but the final expression of that total service which characterised the whole of his life. Every day he died to himself, because he lived "not to be served, but to serve." His life was a daily emptying of self (Phil 2:7), a self-emptying which was only complete when he gave his last breath on the cross The complete missionary!

WELCOME FR. TOM

Please welcome Fr. Tom, he will be in the Parish for the next two weeks. Offer him the necessary support. Thank you.

WORLD MISSION COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND; There is a mandatory Holy See World Mission Sunday Collection next weekend at all the Masses. Kindly give generously. Pick an envelope at the back of the church.

ATTENDING MASS

It is now no longer necessary to book to attend Mass. Neither will contact details be taken from you when you attend Mass. However, it will still be necessary to wear a mask and to use the hand sanitiser on entry. If you wish to receive the host on the tongue, please come up last for Communion. Our stewards, who have done such good work since the pandemic began, will still be on hand to clean the church after each Mass and will also assist in collecting the offertory which will be collected from where you are sitting before the 'final' blessing. Thank you to everyone for their continued support and patience during these difficult times.

NOVEMBER HOLY SOUL'S ENVELOPES-Now Available

From this weekend Holy Souls envelopes will be made available. Pick one up at the back of the Church, fill it in and hand it to the Priest or put it back into the offertory basket. This will enable the Parish office to prepare a special folder for Holy Souls Masses in the month of November.

CAFOD FAST DAY COLLECTION

Our local experts are helping people all over the world to adapt to climate change and protect our common home. By donating to CAFOD this Family Fast Day you have helped communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis. You can still donate online through the CAFOD website or by using a CAFOD envelope. You can also easily give via text. Text CAFOD10 to 70580 to donate £10*. Or choose to give any whole amount between £1 and £20 by texting CAFOD, followed by the amount you would like to donate, to 70580. *Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text CAFODNOINFO to 70580. For more information, please see our Privacy Policy: cafod.org.uk/privacy. **Pick up a Family Fast Day envelope at the back of the church and you can also Gift Aid your donation. Thank you**

SYNOD 2021-23

In the ninth year of his pontificate, Pope Francis has launched an ambitious three-year worldwide "synodal process". It will culminate in October 2023 in Rome with the XVI ordinary general assembly of the Synod of Bishops. The Pathway will be in three stages - Diocesan, Continental and Universal. The general theme will be listening to God and what He wishes us to do and also to each other as outlined in the Cardinal's recent Pastoral Letter (<https://rcdow.org.uk/cardinal/homilies>) The Diocesan stage starts for the Westminster Diocese this Saturday with a Mass in Westminster Cathedral at 6.00 pm. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer to help with the Parish contribution to the Pathway should kindly contact the Parish Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE 2021/22

A new course for preparation for the First Holy Communion began on October 3 in the Church. The class will run between the two Masses (9:45-10:45am). The course is for children not attending a Catholic school who are in year 3 or above. Places are limited. Please contact Pat Stevens (9am Mass) or Fr. Clement at the Parish at cheshunt@rcdow.org.uk for an application form.

Children attending St Pauls School will begin their preparation in January. Application forms will be sent out later this term to the children in Year 3 and to those in Year 4 who opted to not take the Sacrament this year.

OPEN EVENINGS AT LOCAL CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL - NICHOLAS BREAKSPEAR SCHOOL

The Open Evening was held on Thursday October 7 but there will be Open Mornings during the week beginning October 18. The school can be contacted at admin@nbs.herts.sch.uk

ST PAUL'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

There are vacancies at the school for Foundation Governors. If you are a practising Catholic and are interested in supporting Catholic education and helping our local school, please get in touch with the Chair of the Governors at St Pauls Catholic School, Park Lane, Cheshunt EN7 6LR or admin@stpauls373.herts.sch.uk or Father Clement at cheshunt@rcdow.org.uk. This is a rewarding and important voluntary role.

APPRECIATION: Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving and all the work you did in welcoming Bishop Paul into our midst.