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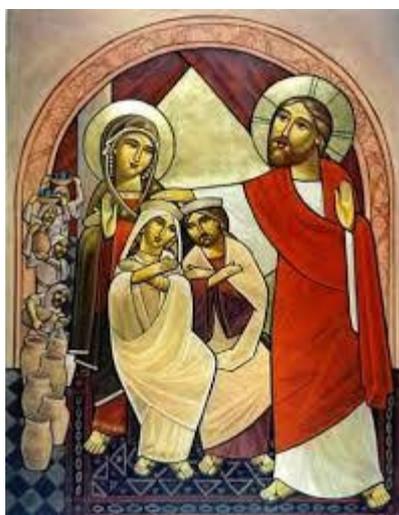
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3rd October 2021 - 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time



This Sunday's Gospel reading (cf. Mk 10:2-16) offers us Jesus' words on marriage. The passage opens with the provocation of the Pharisees who ask Jesus if it is "lawful for a man to divorce his wife", as the Law of Moses provides (cf. vv. 2-4). Jesus firstly, with the wisdom and authority that come to him from the Father, puts the Mosaic prescription into perspective, saying: "For your hardness of heart he" — that is, the ancient legislator — "wrote you this commandment" (v. 5). Thus it is a concession that is needed to mend the flaws created by our selfishness, but it does not correspond to the Creator's original intention. And here, Jesus again takes up the Book of Genesis: "from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female'. 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one'" (vv. 6-8). And he concludes: "What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder" (v. 9). In the Creator's original plan, it is not that a man marries a woman and, if things do not go well, he repudiates her. No. Rather, the man and the woman are called to recognize each

other, to complete each other, to help each other in marriage. This teaching of Jesus is very clear and defends the dignity of marriage as a union of love which implies fidelity. What allows the spouses to remain united in marriage is a love of mutual giving supported by Christ's grace. However, if in the spouses, individual interests, one's own satisfaction prevails, then their union cannot endure. And the Gospel passage itself reminds us, with great realism, that man and woman, called to experience a relationship of love, may regretfully behave in a way that places it in crisis. Jesus does not admit all that can lead to the failure of the relationship. He does so in order to confirm God's plan, in which the power and beauty of the human relationship emerge. The Church, on the one hand, does not tire of confirming the beauty of the family as it was consigned to us by Scripture and by Tradition; at the same time, she strives to make her maternal closeness tangibly felt by those who experience relationships that are broken or that continue in a difficult and trying way. God's way of acting with his unfaithful people — that is, with us — teaches us that wounded love can be healed by God through mercy and forgiveness. For this reason in these situations, the Church is not asked to express immediately and only condemnation. On the contrary, before so many painful marital failures, she feels called to show love, charity and mercy, in order to lead wounded and lost hearts back to God. Let us invoke the Virgin Mary, that she help married couples to always live and renew their union, beginning with God's original Gift.

(Pope Francis, Angelus Meditation 7 October 2018)

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IN PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS.**

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NOTICES

COLLECTION: Last weekend's Collection was £700.19 (Loose Plate £322.85 – Envelopes £377.34). This weekend there will be a second collection towards CAFOD (Harvest Fast Day).

May God bless you and reward your generosity!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022: We are opening the application for all children from Year 3 up to Year 6 to enrol in this year's First Holy Communion Programme. Applications will close this Sunday 10 October; the form is available on the Parish Website.

VOCATIONIST CO-OPERATORS: In every Parish where we work, we have this kind of group which is a way to involve the laity, our parishioners into the work of the order and share with them our spirituality. The group aims to first and foremost pray for vocations, then to offer sacrifice for these and thirdly to help the Vocationist Family nurture them. If you are interested, please contact or approach Fr Luigi or Fr Ritche.

ONLINE AND REMOTE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support - providing counselling and marriage preparation throughout England and Wales. They are looking for volunteers who can spare just a few hours a week working from the comfort of their own homes to help support marriage and relationships. **Zoom Support:** Are you an expert on Zoom and would you like to use your tech skills to help run marriage preparation courses, training or CPD events online? **Remote Secretary:** Provide a vital service to counsellors and clients, taking last-minute cancellations calls and communicating changes as necessary. For more information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

READERS: If you would like to re-join the rota or to volunteer as a new reader please contact the Parish Secretary.

FLOWER ARRANGERS: If you have a talent for doing floral arrangements or would like to learn more about it we are recruiting volunteers to join our groups of flower arrangers, if you are interested please contact the Parish Office.

CLEANERS NEEDED: We are looking for volunteers to join our cleaning teams to make sure the church is cleaned regularly. If you were in a team before and are ready to re-join or you can help but have never done before, please contact the Parish Office asap.

HIGH SCHOOL FORM SIGNING: We will sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice on Friday 8 October, Thursday 14 and 21 October from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. When you come make sure you bring with you a copy of the Baptism Certificate and the Pre-Filled Certificates which will be available on our website. Also, note that the priest signing the form needs to know the family and the child, if you have not attended Mass here in Heston we won't be able to sign the form for you; in case you have moved from another parish or country if you have a recommendation letter from your previous parish then we will be able to sign the form.

HESTON CATHOLIC CLUB: For all club members, the Extraordinary General Meeting to elect the committee will take place on Friday 15 October at 8 pm.

CHURCH ORGAN: at the end of last year we had a raffle to raise funds for the restoration of the bellow unit of our beautiful organ, the money that was raised, between raffle and donations, was £4277. The total sum for the restoration was £7440, and now thank to an anonymous donor who donated £3163 we have raised the total amount that was spent on the works. We are extremely thankful for the generosity that was shown to our parish, may God bless you always and reward your generosity.

HESTON CATHOLIC SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL CLUB: The Senior Citizen is looking to resume their meetings and are looking for more helpers if you would like to volunteer please contact Mrs Pauline Treanor Tel. no. 020 8574 8034 or e-mail paulinetreanor@btinternet.com

HIGH SCHOOL AND SIX FORM OPEN DAYS

ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, HOUNSLOW We invite Parents and Year 6 students to attend our Open Mornings and Open Evening on Thursday 7th October (Morning and Evening) 9.00 – 10.30 am and 5.00 – 9.00 pm Please visit our Admissions Page on our Website to book one of the events

SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL HAMMERSMITH Sixth Form Open Evenings will be held on Wednesday 13th October at 4pm – 6:00pm. The Head Teacher will address candidates and their parents and invite them to take a tour of the school. You do not need to book a place.

CARDINAL VAUGHAN OPEN EVENINGS - Please note that there is no need to book for these events.

Year 12 Open Evenings - Thursday 7th and Tuesday 12th October 2021 at 5.00pm. The Head will speak at 5.00pm. The last tour of the school will take place at 6.00pm.

SRRCC Secondary School Admissions for September 2022: St Richard Reynolds Catholic College is delighted to announce two scheduled talks from the College Principal, Mr Burke and our Head of Sixth Form, Anna Lord. If you are interested in attending the talk, please book a ticket using the links below: [Principal Talk - Tuesday 12th October](#) & [Head of Sixth Form Talk – Tuesday 19th October](#)

Please visit our website <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/> for further information.

October 2021	TIME	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 2nd <i>Vigil Mass</i>	6:30 pm Church Open 7:00 pm Mass*	Ann Foley RIP
Sunday 3rd 27th Sunday of the Ordinary Time	8:30 am Church Open 9:00 am Mass 10:30 am Church Open 11:00 am Mass* 5:00 pm Church Open 5:30 pm Mass	Veronica Niba Tabuwe, RIP Joseph Rozario, RIP Joseph & John Gleeson
Monday 4th <i>St Francis of Assisi</i>	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Luta Ferra RIP Mary & Joseph Dsouza
Tuesday 5th <i>St Faustina Kowalska</i>	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Francisco Fernandes RIP Eileen Mary Moran RIP
Wednesday 6th	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Private Intention Mariano & Emilia Fernandes RIP
Thursday 7th <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	9:30 am Mass (SCHOOL MASS) 7:00 pm Mass	Mrs Judy Botterell RIP Joaquin Rodrigues, Good Health
Friday 8th	9:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Mass	Antonio Mariano Cabral & Gaspar Diaz Luis Almeida RIP
Saturday 9th	7:00 pm Vigil Mass*	All Souls of the Cardozo Family, Chinchinim
Sunday 10th 28th Sunday of the Ordinary Time	9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass* 5:30 pm Mass	Mary & Joseph Dsouza RIP Martin Jerard Norah, John & Thomas Clark RIP
<p>Please note that we are still taking bookings for weekend Masses. On Saturday and Sunday, the Church opens 30 minutes before Mass while on weekdays the Church remains open all day for private prayers. The Rosary will be prayed 20 minutes before the 9.30 am Mass (Monday to Friday)</p>		

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Use the application online available through our website. Please give us two-month notice for your preferred date, the application will be added to a waiting list and the celebrations will follow the order in which these come in. Please be aware that there is a waiting list, the Parish Secretary will contact you either to confirm or to discuss other dates.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The deadline for application is Sunday 10 October, the form is to be filled online on our website.

CONFIRMATION: We are now finalising the details for this year's programme, as soon as it will be ready we will inform you. The programme is for baptised young people and adults in Year 9 up to 18 years old. If you are 18+ and were never confirmed and wish to, please contact the Parish Office so you can be enrolled in the RCIA programme.

RCIA: If you have not been baptised or have been baptised in another Christian denomination and you are willing to become a Catholic or be received into the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office.

CONFESSIONS: Confession is available every morning before Mass or by appointment.

MARRIAGE: If you wish to get married in our Church we need between six and twelve-month notice for the date. If you need to do the paperwork this will be done six months before the wedding date. If your marriage is taking place abroad please enquire with the priest celebrating the marriage about documents needed and their validity, once we send the forms to the chancery we can no longer query them.

CHURCH DONATIONS AND COLLECTION

During these times, due to the current restrictions we are not able to pass around the Collection Bag around the Church therefore those who wish to give their donation envelopes at weekends you can do so on the way out of the Church. You can also donate online through our Virgin Money Giving Page you can reach it through our website at <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/heston/donate/> alternatively you could donate by bank transfer (single donations) or via Standing Order using the following details:

Account Name: WRCDT Heston

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 11094912

Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference, to help our bookkeeper.

USEFUL PRAYERS

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER OF ST ALPHONSUS

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Divine Jesus, Son of the eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant many of the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on them the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to their vocations. Give the church in this Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests and fervent religious. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Justin, all the Angels and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve one another in faith and love.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION OF BLESSED JUSTIN RUSSOLILLO

O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and in everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all.

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O dearest St Joseph, I consecrate myself to your honour and give myself to you, that you may always be my father, my protector, and my guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me a great purity of heart and a fervent love of the interior life. After your example, may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary! And do thou, O blessed St Joseph, pray for me that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN FOR PROTECTION

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

PRAYER FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

Hear us, Lord, and send your angel from heaven to visit and protect, to comfort and defend all who live in this house. Amen.

Let us pray for the sick people of our Parish: Joaquim Rodrigues, Paige Byrne, Peter Wade, Ann Duckmanton, Christopher Notter, Grace Gauci, Fr Simon Nguyen **and for all those who are suffering due to the coronavirus, and for all those who are still shielding.**

Let us pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Dennis Reynolds, Stephen James Mulqueen, Ian McDougall, Patricia Hutchings, Mary Keating, Mary Elizabeth Anderson, Frank Rampling, and Michael James Neary.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them; may they rest in peace. Amen.