

The Announcer

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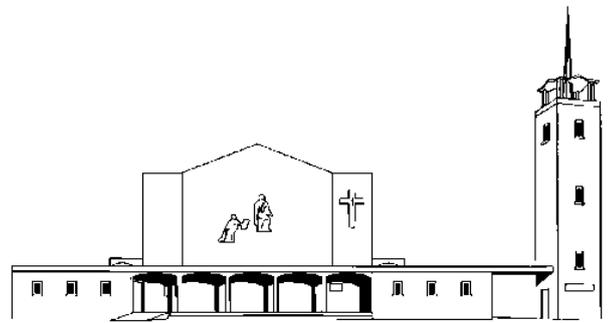
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Year B

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

4TH OCT 2015

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 2-16

What God has united, man must not divide.

My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,



THE SYNOD ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE begins this weekend in the Vatican, and will run for three weeks, ending on the 25th October. This is a meeting of bishops representing the whole worldwide Catholic Church: for England & Wales the bishops attending are our own Archbishop, Cardinal Vincent, and also the bishop of Northampton diocese. Please use the prayer card that I have enclosed with the Newsletter to accompany the Synod's bishops at this important time, and in their discussions and teaching on the crucial issues of Marriage and Family Life. The Church needs to be a beacon of hope for strong marriages, faith-filled children, and therefore a society built up on the love of God learnt in the family. And why not also <http://www.adoptasynodfather.org/> ?

CALLING YOUNG ADULTS FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY! Next year in Poland — in Krakow — there will be the next 'World Youth Day.' Please, if you are 16–35 years old, and would like to come to a life-changing experience of the Church, with Pope Francis, then take a look at <http://dowym.com/events/wyd/> and speak to me for a registration form. There are two options, 18th July – 1st August, or 24th July – 1st August. It would be very special to have a group go from this parish to WYD 2016, and I am already committed to going. Let me know soon!

May we always live up to Gospel demands of love in our Marriages and Families. Fr Philip

From *Gaudium et Spes*, Vatican II on 'The Church in the Modern World,' n. 66:



Justice and equity require that the mobility, which is necessary in a developing economy, be regulated in such a way as to keep the life of individuals and their families from becoming insecure and precarious. When workers come from another country or district and contribute to the economic advancement of a nation or region by their labour, all discrimination as regards wages and working conditions must be carefully avoided. All the people, moreover, above

all the public authorities, must treat them not as mere tools of production but as persons, and must help them to bring their families to live with them and to provide themselves with a decent dwelling; they must also see to it that these workers are incorporated into the social life of the country or region that receives them.

PRAYER & LITURGY

THE ROSARY: In October, the month of the Rosary, Fr Philip will lead one decade of the Rosary five minutes before each Saturday evening and Sunday Mass. The Rosary will be prayed in Italian on Thursdays at 7pm too.

LATIN MASS: The next monthly Latin mass, with sung chants, will be at 5.00pm **this Sunday**.

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP: 3rd Friday of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **next meeting Oct 16th**. A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord. All welcome!

SUNDAY HOLY HOUR (3rd Sunday of each month) takes place at 5pm **Sunday 18th October** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction.

CHILDREN'S-LITURGY TRAINING will take place for leaders and helpers on **Sun 4th Oct 10.30am–12 noon** in the crypt. If you are interested in volunteering, you are most welcome to attend and children are also welcome.

FAITH-SHARING GROUPS: Diocesan faith-sharing resource for this autumn is *Love Divine*. The booklet contains 6 sessions on responding to the grace we receive from the Lord. **The books are £2 and are available from the back of the church.** Please place money in newspaper box.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP will sadly no longer be meeting as no one has come forward to take over the running of it.

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

We pray for our sick parishioners and friends: Sue Porto, John Askew, Rosa Augello, Roberto Piacentini, Helen Sherman, Annette Pinto, Peter Tanner, Anne Smith, Siobhan Fiorentini, Michael Foley.

PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION.

IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL: Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an *automatic* visit from the Catholic Chaplain. If someone is sick in hospital, **please let us know here at the Presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward**, so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.

Chaplains are: Lister, Jacqueline Humphreys 01438-285518 or 07884-187463; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017



Fr Philip thanks those who have donated to our 'Growing in Faith' initiative, to benefit both the diocese, and our own parish's project of employing a part-time catechetical co-ordinator. **We have raised pledges of c. £190k, to give our parish project, ultimately, a slice of c. £55k.**

On the parish noticeboard in the porch is a breakdown of how much we have already raised for the various diocesan and parish projects, with data up to the end of 2014.

As for our own project of a parish catechist, Fr Philip is in discussion with the diocesan agencies, to try and locate a suitably qualified person for the post.

www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith

CATECHETICS

FR PHILIP'S TALKS: In the light of the forthcoming Synod on 'Marriage & The Family' at the Vatican, Fr Philip will give two more talks on Catholic Teaching on Wednesday evenings at 8pm in church: (II) **21st Oct:** Saving Marriage; Breakdown, Re-Marriage & Annulment; (III) 11th November: Why not Same-Sex 'Marriage'?

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The first meeting for parents will be on **Wed 7th October 8–9pm** in the crypt. The first session for the children will be Sat 10th Oct 10am–12noon.

CONFIRMATION 2016: next session held on **Monday 5th October** from 7.15–8.45pm in the crypt for **candidates and parents**. Candidates will need to have read chapter three of the Gospel of Mark. As mentioned in the parents' letter in July, the course has a £10 cost for materials, so please hand that in soon.

"RCIA" – 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults' is the programme for preparation for adults wishing to become Catholics, or be prepared for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). **The course continues on the 6th October at 7pm.**

SCHOOLS

ST CROSS SCHOOL need a new caretaker/site manager. For further details, contact the school office on 467309.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS to our Catholic Primary & Secondary schools gives the opportunity to the Parish Priest to provide Certificate of Catholic practice, i.e **certifying attendance, every week, at Sunday (or Saturday evening) Mass.** This accords with the diocesan guidance for priests, <http://www.rcdow.org.uk/fileupload/upload/prf4117200691341.pdf>. In order to help him be just and fair to the practising Catholics of our parish, Fr Philip will continue to adopt the pattern of occasionally in the next few months asking those who will require a priest's form to be signed to come and see him briefly (each and every time he asks) after Sunday Mass. **This concerns those whose children are now in nursery-year and year 6.**

SECONDARY SCHOOL PRIEST'S REFERENCE: Form signing for secondary schools will take place on **Monday 12th October 5.30–7pm** and **Wednesday 14th October 11am–1pm** in the presbytery. No appointment times, please just attend. **NOTE: there is ONLY need to attend if you are applying under criterion '3'.**

ST AUGUSTINE'S UNDER 5'S will be holding a coffee morning on **Wednesday 14th October** from 10-12 noon to raise funds for Diabetes UK. All are welcome!

JUSTICE & PEACE & PRO-LIFE

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY was last Friday. CAFOD is working with poor communities around the world on our behalf, helping them to tackle poverty and injustice. **The envelopes will be collected after Mass this weekend.**

CAFOD: Inspired by Pope Francis and *Laudato Si'*, CAFOD is calling on Prime Minister David Cameron to show leadership nationally and internationally so that agreements on tackling climate change and poverty are fair and ambitious. CAFOD also calls for us to take time to reflect on our relationship with the earth, our common home. (To be cont'd...)

OPERATION CALAIS: Emmaus (International Homeless Charity) is providing humanitarian aid to the 2,500+ migrants in the Calais area of northern France. This number is growing daily. Many having survived Mediterranean crossings and some fleeing the Syrian conflict. If you would like to help by providing any of the following items, please take them to St Cuthbert's Church (Tuesday or Friday 9am–2pm) or drop them off at our own presbytery: Non-perishable food, underwear, trainers/outdoor shoes, all clothing especially waterproofs, sleeping bags toothbrushes/paste, toilet paper,

soap, sanitary towels, and hygiene related products, water containers, tents and kindling.

SYRIAN CRISIS: Caritas Westminster is organising volunteers for the UK's response to the Syrian migrant crisis. Please fill in the green sheet (with Newsletters 2 weeks ago, or on table in porch now) to volunteer in whatever capacity.

MISCELLANEOUS

HOUSE VISITS: Fr Philip intends to visit on Wednesday afternoon this week: Danemead, Glenester Close, Stoneleigh Drive and environs.

MEMORY WALK FOR ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY: My family and I completed the 5 mile sponsored walk last Saturday. We would like to thank everyone for their generous donations as we have raised £2,148 and the money is still coming in! We are overwhelmed and extremely thankful to you all. Dawn Bates.

QUIZ NIGHT: the Daniela Ruggiero Scholarship Fund are holding a quiz night on **Fri 23rd Oct** 7.30pm in the crypt. £5 per head, payable on the night — bring your own drinks & nibbles. Please call Vicky Lee-Lozone on 07747-485023 or 01279-862688 to reserve a table. If you are unable to make it but would like to make a donation either cash or a bottle for the winning team, then please drop it into the presbytery.

SUNDAY LUNCH: Fr Philip would like to continue meeting parishioners/families in their homes, as much as possible. Sunday lunch 1.30pm is a good (but by no means only) time. Free dates: 4th & 25th October.

CHURCH CLEANERS: More cleaners are needed to help clean the church on Wed or Thurs mornings for one hour, just once a month. If you can help please do contact the presbytery.

CHURCH CLEANING: Joanne Dawes, Lena & Carmela Tona and Giuseppina Tuzzeo. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

PRAYER OF CARDINAL NEWMAN

May He support us all the day long, till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in His mercy may He give us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last. Amen.

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy						
Sat 3rd October 10am Mass <i>Pasquale Re RIP</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">PAGE 140 in the Mass books</p> <p>1st Reading: Genesis 2: 18–24 <i>They become one body.</i></p> <p>Psalm 127 — May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.</p> <p>2nd Reading: Hebrews 2: 9–11 <i>The one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock.</i></p> <p>Gospel Accl: Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!</p> <p>Gospel: Mark 10: 2–16 <i>What God has united, man must not divide.</i></p> <p>PREFACE TODAY: with Euch. Pr 4 (p. 54) EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: no. 3 (p. 27)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>1st Reading: Wisdom 7: 7-11 2nd Reading: Hebrews 4: 12-13 Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30</p>						
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* John Woolsgrove RIP Sun 4th Oct 27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** Mary & Michael Lawlor RIP Anniv 11.15am Filippo Adamo RIP 5.00pm Latin Mass For the Parish †	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.30 – 9am & 10.40 – 11am or ask Fr Philip at <i>any other time.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY Rosary is said in the Walsingham Chapel after each weekday Mass and after Saturday 10am Mass.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK Any parishioner frail through illness or old age, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Philip for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date. Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699</p>						
Mon 5th October 8.15am Adoration 9.15am Mass In Thanksgiving 9am Morning Prayer							
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Fri 9th Oct BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass Pat Walsh's Intentions	<p>NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. —NEW PARISHIONERS Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. MOVING HOME? Please post your new details through the presbytery letterbox. PARROCCHIANI: <i>Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.</i></p>						
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<p style="text-align: center;">* Vigil Mass of Sunday ** With Children's Liturgy (nursery-age to year 2 only) † There are also Sunday evening Masses in English in Hertford (6pm) and Waltham Cross (6.30pm)</p>							