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Saturday 8:15pm & Sunday 9am & 11am

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY YEAR C 2025



'When you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed.' Luke 14:13-14

NON ANGLI SED ANGELI SI CHRISTIANI According to St Bede the Venerable, St Gregory the Great, when still an abbot, encountered Anglo-Saxon slaves and, struck by their appearance, asked: *'Who are these people?'* *'Angles'* was the reply. *'Right,'* he said, *'for they have an angelic face, and it is meet that such should be co-heirs with the Angels in heaven.'* 'Non Angli sed Angeli si Christiani' ('not Angles but Angels if Christian') reads a beautiful mosaic in Westminster Cathedral. This was the moment St Gregory was filled with the desire for these people to be evangelised. May the prayers of St Gregory the Great inspire the New Evangelisation of this country!



Mass Schedule	
Sat 30th Aug	8:15pm Of the Catechumenate
Sun 31st Aug	9am D Rawinson special intention 11am Pro Populo
Twenty-second Sunday Year C	
Mon 1st Sep	NO MASS
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	
Tue 2nd Sep	12:30 Martin Da Silva RIP
Wed 3rd Sep	12:30 Deceased members of the Ritchie family
St Gregory the Great	
Thu 4th Sep	12:30 Deceased members of the Hampshire family
	NO 6PM MASS
Fri 5th Sep	12:30 Holy Souls

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH

These catecheses introduce a journey of Christian formation inspired by the Blessed Virgin Mary who said:

"We must make Christian communities like the Holy Family of Nazareth who live in humility, simplicity and praise. The other is Christ."

The journey of the Neocatechumenal Way is open to all who want to discover or rekindle the riches of the Christian faith. **It starts on 22nd September and continues every Monday and Thursday at 8pm in the crypt. Everyone is welcome!**

Fr Oscar

"We make Idols of our concepts but Wisdom is born of wonder."

-St Gregory the Great -

Please note that the Thursday 6pm Mass will resume on Thursday 11th September when I am back from holiday. *Fr Oscar*

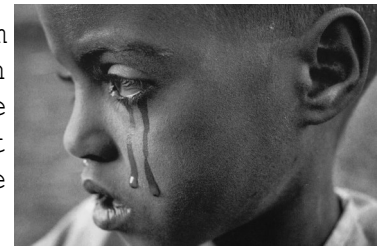
Integral Ecology



Beloved,

Brazilian photographer Sebastião Salgado captured mesmerising images that portray the drama of a planet agonising as a result of vast inequalities, forced migration and war.

The effect of witnessing 10,000 people die from cholera in a single day in a refugee camp in Goma in the Democratic Republic of the Congo nearly broke his hope. Faced with humanity at its worst and most violent, he ceased to believe that it could ever be saved.



Then he started taking pictures of nature, of untouched regions, landscapes, traditional communities and endangered wildlife. He was healed. Together with his wife, he decided to restore the forest on their former family farm: they planted more than two million trees and transformed a vast deforested land into a natural reserve.

This is a good example of 'integral ecology.' 'Integral' means taking into account the whole whilst 'ecology' means the discipline that deals with the environment, our common home. 'Integral ecology' teaches that there is an 'inseparable bond between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society and interior peace' and calls us to live in harmony with God, with others, with nature and with ourselves. How can we truly care for nature if we fail to respect the natural order ruling our own souls and bodies, the natural law that binds us to God and neighbour and the natural harmony that governs all creation?

'A spirit from on high will be poured out on us, and the wilderness will become a fruitful field.' (Isaiah 32:15) These words of the Prophet Isaiah will accompany the 'Season of Creation,' an ecumenical initiative to be celebrated from 1 September to 4 October 2025.

They also form part of the message of Pope Leo for the tenth World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation which takes place on 1 September.

'Rather than a problem to be solved, the world is a joyful mystery to be contemplated with gladness and praise.' (*Laudato si* 12) We pray together with Pope Leo and all people of goodwill that 'integral ecology' be increasingly accepted as the right path to follow.

Fr Oscar

