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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B) - 10TH JUNE 2018

SUNDAY THOUGHT

Are we sometimes mistrustful in the face of altruism and generosity? Or cynical towards those who boldly stand up for justice, no matter what the cost? This is the situation found in today's Gospel. Jesus' radically unconventional lifestyle invites misunderstanding from his enemies, and also his family members.

The authorities say that Jesus is possessed by the devil; his family think he is mad, or at least dangerously eccentric. Both groups fail to see past his humble earthly origins and his controversial teachings, to understand the man or his ministry.

The Pharisees reject Jesus, because to accept him would mean giving up their power and prestige. Today, many still turn from Christ because they refuse to change their worldly ways. Ever since the Fall, we have sought independence from God, too proud to accept that his higher power has the right to regulate our lives. Pride, self-reliance, has left mankind with a perpetual identity crisis by preventing us from being the people we were made to be. We change our behaviour, belief and ethics depending on the situation - work life, prayer life, social life, home life - causing inner turmoil that manifests as physical and mental illnesses, disharmony in families and discord in communities: a bitter chain of responses.

Jesus stands before us perfect and unified - he reveals the division that exists in our lives and longs to make us whole. The beginning of wholeness is acknowledging our brokenness and sinfulness - where are we prideful? Where have we created conflict and division in our relationships? When our free choices cause us to make a mess of things, God does not leave us to suffer - he comes searching for us. As long as we are willing to accept his help and make changes, in humility and obedience, we will find that there is nothing broken that cannot be made whole by the grace and love of God.

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread?
When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

1st Reading: Genesis 3:9-15

Response to Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Next Sunday's Readings

Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34 (Gospel)

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

Rickmansworth: Envelopes: £482.94; Loose Plate: £642.63; Standing Orders: £703.08 **Total: £1,828.65**

Mill End: Envelopes: £333.50; Loose Plate: £139.79; Standing Orders: £176.96 **Total: £650.25**

Chorleywood: The Offertory collection for the month of April - **£2544.44**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

TEXT GIVING THROUGH YOUR MOBILE PHONE

Special Gift? Top-Up Offering? For Rickmansworth text: **Parish RICKM** to 70800; For Chorleywood text **Parish CHORL** to 70800; for Mill End text **Parish MILLE** to 70800. It's easy! To make a £5 Donation. Thank You!

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

SUN 10TH JUNE	12.45pm	Baptisms	Our Lady Help of Christians
MON 11TH JUNE	10.30am - 11.30am 8.00pm	Mom's Connect - Hall Choir Practice	Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist
TUE 12TH JUNE			
WED 13TH JUNE			
THU 14TH JUNE	2.15pm for 2.30pm 8.00pm	Quiet Space Life in the Spirit Prayer Group - Hall	St Peter's, Mill End Our Lady Help of Christians
FRI 15TH JUNE	10.00am 10.00am	Burial of Ashes - Penny Armstrong RIP Coffee after Mass for all - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians
SAT 16TH JUNE	10.30am - 11.30am 2.00pm 5.30pm	Holy Hour with Benediction and Confessions Baptism Preparation – Hall Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

	Our Lady Help of Christians	St John the Evangelist	St John Fisher
SATURDAY 9TH JUNE <i>THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</i>	NO MASS THIS MORNING	6pm (Vigil) Lorna Jackson (Ints.)	6pm (Vigil) For the People of the Parish
SUNDAY 10TH JUNE <i>TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	8.30am Mary Casey (Ints.) 11am Ramiro Montesdeoca RIP (Anniv.) 6pm For the People of the Parish	10.30am Timothy O'Driscoll RIP	9am Private Intention
MONDAY 11TH JUNE <i>ST BARNABUS, APOSTLE</i>	9.30am Frank & Denise Waters RIP	9.30am For the Sick and Housebound of the Parish	
TUESDAY 12TH JUNE	9.30am Viktor Boehler RIP		NO MASS TODAY
WEDNESDAY 13TH JUNE <i>ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST & DOCTOR</i>		9.30am Margaret Morrissey (Ints.)	
THURSDAY 14TH JUNE	9.30am Fr Patrick Joseph Sammon RIP		
FRIDAY 15TH JUNE	9.30am Gerry & Nuala Corr RIP (Anniv.)		9.30am For the Sick and Housebound of the Parish
SATURDAY 16TH JUNE	10.00am For the Sick and Housebound of the Parish	6pm (Vigil) For the People of the Parish	6pm (Vigil) For the People of the Parish
SUNDAY 17TH JUNE <i>ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	8.30am Powell Family (Ints.) 11am Mary Robinson RIP 6pm Jean Walsh RIP (Anniv.)	10.30am Una & Tom Bugler RIP	9am Elena McBride & all who helped with First Communion

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES

Our Lady Help of Christians: Kathleen Collins, Wendy Goldsmith, Kathy Wright, Brenda Reynolds, Olive Cordery, Neville Mathews, Agnes Harper, Eileen Durkan, Ginny Goodgol, Maria Wallis, Peter Ward, Heather Kean, Olive Kiener, John Caneparo, Henry Cutting, Christina Thomas, Nalene Nixon, Pam Bell and Joan Townend.

St John the Evangelist: Jean Mulderrig; Rita Murray; Imogen Bailey, Harry Lennon, John Connor, Michael Dixon, Pat Beaton, Audrey Lewin and Mary Gardner.

St John Fisher: Nora O'Toole, Francis De Souza, Georgina Kelham, Pete Murray, Steve Kibbey, Matthew Leone, Jean-Pierre Roche, Fr Peter Stevens, Angela Hoy, Pat Finucane, Colin Dowling, Margaret Lamb, Kitty Finucane, Don Williamson and Helen Forrest.

NOTICES FOR ALL THREE PARISHES

GDPR COMPLIANCE

As you know, the General Data Protection Regulation came into force on 25th May and this parish, like all other organisations, will be affected. There are a number of procedures we will need to follow. This week, if you are a parish volunteer (eg a member of a parish committee, a catechist, a reader, a Minister of Holy Communion, a helper with teas and coffees, a member of the choir, welcomer, cleaner, etc) please collect from the back of the church a Confidentiality Agreement which we ask you to sign and return as soon as possible.

GDPR - PARISH CENSUS

In the past, the parish has carried out a census, gathering a register of information about our current, past and former parishioners. The information we hold comprises: name, address, family members, religious affiliation, marital status etc. This information helps the parish in its work in the community, to provide a better service to its parishioners and to realise its objectives. The information is held securely in locked filing cabinets, and where it is held on computer it is password protected. Access to the information will be restricted to the parish priest and lay people authorised by him. It is intended to renew this information every five years, but should you wish to have your data removed from the register, please contact Fr Shaun or Fr Damian.

PENNY ARMSTRONG RIP

The ashes of Penny Armstrong RIP will be interred in the Garden of Rest after the 9.30am Mass on Friday 15th June.

REGISTRATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018

In July Fr Shaun will be registering children wishing to make their First Communion in 2019. To be eligible children must be in Year 3 or above by September 2018 and attend Mass regularly in one of the three parishes. The expectation is that all children preparing for Holy Communion should already know how to make the sign of the cross and know the *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *Glory be*. These prayers should be taught and prayed in the home regularly. Parents may bring their child for registration on the following dates:

Monday 9th July – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 5.00pm to 6.00pm

Saturday 14th July – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 10.00am to 11.00am

It is essential that you bring with you to the meeting the child wishing to be prepared for Holy Communion. If your child was baptised somewhere other than Our Lady Help of Christians Rickmansworth, St John Fisher Chorleywood or St John the Evangelist, Mill End you will need to bring with you the child's baptismal certificate. You are welcome to bring your child to whichever of the registration times is best for you. There is no need to make a particular appointment, please just come along during the appointed times. Do not worry if the place of registration is not your usual church for Sunday Mass attendance.

BAPTISM PREPARATION - SATURDAY 16TH JUNE AT 2.00PM

A reminder for couples who have already seen Fr Damian or Fr Shaun regarding the baptism of a child that the next baptism preparation session is this Saturday in Our Lady's hall. Please come to the presbytery first to meet with Fr Damian.

THREE PARISH DAY PILGRIMAGE TO STONOR PARK – THURSDAY 26TH JULY 2018

After the success of last July's day pilgrimage to Canterbury, we are organising a day pilgrimage to Stonor Park, near Henley on Thames, for Thursday 26th July 2018. Stonor Park has been the ancestral home of the Stonor's (a Catholic family) for over 850 years and Mass has always been celebrated in the family chapel, even during the Reformation period. Stonor is closely associated with St. Edmund Campion, martyred in 1581. He was a Londoner, and a leading Oxford academic of the day, ordained a Catholic Priest and Jesuit on the Continent who had answered the call of the Pope to volunteer to work on 'The English Mission'. He was given refuge at Stonor in 1581. We will have the privilege of celebrating Mass in the family's private chapel. There will also be time during the day to visit the house, the gardens and the Wonder Woods (a fun playground for children). The cost of the day, including the coach, entrance to the house (opens at 1.30pm), gardens and Wonder Woods is £15 for adults and £10 for children. There are only 11 places available on the coach, so please complete the booking form (available in each parish) and return it to the clergy or to the parish office with full payment as soon as possible. Cheques should be made payable to *Our Lady Help of Christians, Rickmansworth*. Places will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis, so book early to avoid disappointment!

SAVE THE DATE - Three Parish BBQ on 8th July.

GENERAL NOTICES

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - Reception Class – September 2018

Due to a family relocation, an allocated place for our new reception class (September 2018) has become available. If you would like further details or to arrange a tour of the school and a meeting with the Head teacher, please contact the school office on 01923 774004.

COULD YOU SPARE A LITTLE TIME TO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE?

For some of our neighbours in Rickmansworth, being unable to drive or use public transport can be a real burden. Our volunteers help them to access the things that matter to them in the local area such as hospitals or doctor appointments. If you can help contact Jenny Woods on 01923 447417 and for more information see our website www.rickmansworthcare.org.uk

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

A volunteer is requested to assist with some administrative duties for a support group for parents of those with special needs that meets monthly at Rickmansworth. This includes booking the church hall, putting in newsletter adverts, sending emails to the group and arranging speakers to attend. Please contact Caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk.

SPANISH MASS - Sunday 19th August at 12.20pm

There will be a Mass in Spanish / Latino-American at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Great Missenden. For further information please contact Teresa 01494 862960 or cematepo@hotmail.com. Everyone welcome.

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS - NOTICES

HELP NEEDED – FIRE WARDENS FOR 11.00AM MASS

We need some more volunteers to act as Fire Wardens at the 11.00am Sunday Masses. It is not an onerous duty and some training would be given. If you would be willing to help with this please contact Fr Shaun.

200 CLUB

Congratulations to Pat Breen £39, Sean Godfrey £29.25, Richard Dumughn £19.50, Roger Harbird £9.75

HEALTH AND SAFETY - HELP NEEDED

Are you involved in Health and Safety in your workplace? If so, would you be willing to help Paul Forrest, our designated Health and Safety Rep in the parish, with Health & Safety issues in the parish? If so, please speak to Fr Shaun.

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - NOTICES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are now guiding the children to return to their parents after the liturgy class via the centre aisle. When the liturgy group is very busy there is not enough room along the side aisles and the children are getting too close to the prayer candles. Going forward the offertory will go in front of the children allowing the children to return to their seats via the centre aisle.

COFFEE AND TEA AFTER 10.30AM MASS

A reminder that tea and coffee is available in the parish hall after the 10.30am Mass each Sunday. Do please come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.

SUNDAY BRUNCH AT ST JOHN'S

Sunday Brunch at St John's (with bacon and sausage rolls) will take place on Sunday 24th June after 10.30am Mass. All proceeds raised will go to Aid to the Church in Need. We hope that you will come and join us!

ST JOHN FISHER - NOTICES

PARISH BBQ AND PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

The parish BBQ is scheduled to take place on **Sunday 1st July**. For this event to be able to go ahead we need a good number of volunteers to take responsibility for organising and running it. There is a list on a clipboard in the lobby with all the various tasks that will need to be done. Please sign up for whatever you feel you can help with. Without sufficient volunteers the BBQ will sadly not be able to go ahead.

SOCIAL EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Inside the newsletter this weekend you will find a leaflet about social events in the parish. We are interested to hear from you about the kind of social events that you would like to see happening in the parish. We would be grateful if you could please complete the form today (pens available in each row of chairs) and place it in the white box in the lobby. We would like to establish a small social events committee to plan and coordinate social events in the parish. We are, therefore, inviting parishioners to sign-up for a two year commitment to be part of this committee. If you would be willing to do this, please write your name and email address on the bottom section of the leaflet. The reality is that without a group of parishioners willing to take responsibility for planning and coordinating social events in the parish nothing is likely to happen!

WEEK DAY MASS - there will be no 9.30am Mass here on Tuesday 12th June.

RED APF MISSIO BOXES

Please would you kindly bring your boxes to church next weekend (16th/17th) for the June collection. Thank you very much. *Mary*

ROTAS	Saturday 6.00pm Mass			Sunday 9.00am Mass			Sunday Counters	Laundry
	Welcomer	Reader	MoC	Welcomer	Reader	Communion		
9/10 June	A Roberts	M Williamson	C Johnson	M Mackie	J Hale	L Turnbull	Carolyn & Don	T Price
16/17 June	J Ingham	E O'Sullivan	M Latimer	J Hale	J Donohoe	AM Farnsworth	Peter & Marguerite	A McReynolds

Saints—Parish Youth Group School Year 7-9

Year 6's are now invited to come along to our parishes' youth group! We meet fortnightly and meet next on Tuesday 19th June, 6 pm—7.30 pm @ Mill End parish hall. We start the evening with a chat about life and then pour all our energy into some games; continue to chat and share as we eat pizza & sausage rolls; and we wrap up the evening with a song. You're so welcome to join us!

For teenagers who enjoy drama and acting...

RISE Theatre are running a residential course for 13-18 year olds, 13th to 16th August at Kintbury. RISE Theatre is a Christian theatre company with lots of experience teaching drama to young people and they're exceptionally good at it. On the final day, participants will present a drama piece to friends and family. Very warmly recommended for our young parishioners who enjoy doing drama.

Info & sign up: www.risetheatre.co.uk/rise-youth