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Mass this Sunday: Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 15th September 2024

Today's Readings

Isaiah 50:5-9 The Suffering Servant of Israel points towards the Messiah and the cross which Jesus Christ will carry to Calvary. The prophet Isaiah trusts that the Lord will come to his help.

James 2:14-18 Faith leads to good actions; love in action is the mark of the Christian.

Mark 8:27-35 Jesus tells his followers that they will have to carry their cross and lose their lives in love to serve him.

Mass This Week

Saturday 14 th	6:30pm		<i>Intention</i>
Sunday 15 th	9:00am		For Our Parishioners
	10:30am		Mary Michael & Tommy Munnely (RIP)
			& All The Deceased
			Angela Clay (RIP)
Monday 16th	2pm	Funeral Mass	Ann Sullivan (RIP)
Tuesday 17 th	6:00pm	St Hildegard	Vocations to Religious Communities
Wednesday 18 th	9:15am	Weekday	Our PPC
Thursday 19 th	9:15am	Weekday	Peace
Friday 20th		No Mass	

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for Pope Francis' Intentions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation may be celebrated during exposition (5:30pm Saturday) or by appointment

Change in Mass Days Please note that there will be no Mass on Friday but there will be a funeral Mass for Ann Sullivan (RIP) on Monday at 2pm.

Safeguarding Support We have arranged a visit from the Diocesan safeguarding team on Friday 27th September (2-7pm) to ensure we are all up to date with DBS checks and so forth. All Catechists, those visiting the housebound and anyone who has contact with children or vulnerable adults, needs a DBS check every three years. Please let Fr Philip know if you can come somewhere during those times.

Love in Action The Faith Sharing resources and more can be found at:

<https://bit.ly/4dYtwjw>

Parish Pastoral Council Our PPC will meet at 7pm in the Sacristy on Wednesday 18th September. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Sacramental Programmes - First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA Please can any more forms be returned to the Parish Office *by next Sunday* so that we can get the right number of books and other resources. Our First Holy Communion Programme will begin in the last week of September and our Confirmation programme after half term.

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and other help at the Sunday Mass We are facing a shortage of Eucharistic Ministers for the 6:30pm Mass

Red Boxes The time has come to empty your *Missio* mission boxes. Envelopes are on the table in the Sacristy as you come in. Please pick one up, empty your box and return the envelope to the red box in the Sacristy as soon as possible. Many Thanks.

Servers A couple getting married on 28th September have asked if they may have servers, including a thurifer. If you can help please see Fr Philip. We are happy to arrange further training sessions for both younger and less young would-be servers. rota. If you are willing to help please see Fr Philip.

The Saint John Henry Newman School warmly invites parents of Year 6 pupils to an Open Evening on Thursday 26th September,

5:30pm to 8pm. Prospectuses and application forms will be available on the evening. The last tour will be at 7pm and the school will close to visitors once the final Headteacher's address starts at 7:30pm. There will be opportunities for parents to view the school following this Open Evening. It should be noted that families from local parishes, not attending feeder primary schools, were able to gain a place at the school last year due to the increased number of places on offer. Invitations for the Opening Evening are available in the Sacristy.

Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions for September
For the cry of the Earth We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live



'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison and help you?'
 'Truly I tell you, when you did this to one of the least of these members of my family, you did it to me.'

Matthew 25

COMMUNITY AND PARTICIPATION

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 From this crisis we can come out better or worse. We can slide backward, or we can create something new
 Pope Francis

LOVE IN ACTION

REFLECTION

What springs to mind when you think of community?
 Who comes to mind?
 How are you involved in your community?

ACTION

What would you like to see change in your local community? How could you do it?
 How might other people be enabled to be active members of your community?

PRAYER

Heavenly Father
 Help us to see with your eyes, to judge with the loving heart of your Son, Jesus Christ, and through your Spirit to put love into action.
 Amen

We need a movement of people who know we need each other, who have a sense of responsibility to others and to the world. We need to proclaim that being kind, having faith, and working for the common good are great life goals that need courage and vigour
 Pope Francis