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NEWSLETTER

23RD OCTOBER 2022 ✱ 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm & Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30am. *Friday abstinence.*

CHURCH OPENING TIMES: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 9am -10am. Saturday 9:30am-6:30pm. Sunday 8am-1pm.

PUBLIC ROSARY: Every Wednesday 10am. All are welcome. *October Month of the Holy Rosary.*

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Saturday 10:30am – 11:15am followed by Benediction.

CONFESSION: Saturday 10:30am -11:15am (in the Sacristy) or by appointment



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Year C Ps Week 2

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

Responsorial Psalm: 33(34):2-3,17-19,23

Response: *This poor man called; the Lord heard him.*

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

15/16 October 2022

Envelopes	£ 231.60
Loose	£ 325.25
Total	£ 556.85

Church Cleaning TEAM 4: M Pinto & N Pinto. (Saturday).

Lavina will not be available on Mondays & Thursdays. For all queries regarding Parish accounts, Gift Aid, Weekly envelopes, Standing orders and so on, please email at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk & for Parish Centre(s) bookings, please email at sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk or contact Lavina, Parish Administrator at the Parish office.

PARISH NOTICES

Fr Michael will celebrate Mass on Wednesday 26th October at 9:30am in thanksgiving for the 59th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

Sunday 23 October 2022 - Today is World Mission Sunday: World Mission Sunday is being celebrated in every Catholic parish around the world today! It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio,

the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Maria witness to their faith and offer vulnerable women in Ethiopia hope for a better future. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. Please use the donation envelopes or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible: missio.org.uk Cheque made payable to "World Mission Sunday".

Traidcraft is back TODAY, Sunday 23rd October! Come to the Manning Room after 9.30am Mass and enjoy a cup of medium roast coffee with homemade tea-bread and biscuits, made using some of our Traidcraft products. The products used will be on sale alongside many of your other favourites. There will also be a large selection of Christmas cards available, if you are planning ahead! The proceeds from the sale of the products and cards support the work of a number of charities, including Traidcraft Exchange and CAFOD.

Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal: We have raised £541.21.

FACT: Thank you for your generous donations, we have raised £50.20.

REGULAR NOTICES

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration (White) forms are available in the Church porch or please email the Parish Office.

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH: A big **THANK YOU** to all our parishioners who have been supporting our parish through Standing Order, Weekly Donation Envelopes, Gift Aid Scheme, Blue Envelopes and to all those who are planning to join. Please continue your support.

1. If you would like **"Weekly Donation Envelopes"** or would like to setup **Standing Order**, please complete the *Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order (Blue) Form* available in the Church Porch OR please contact the Parish office, call: 01932783507 or Email: sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk OR please visit our Parish Website – DONATE/Donate to our Parish.

2. If you are a **TAX PAYER**, please consider joining the **"Gift Aid Scheme"** by completing the same form.

3. You **DO NOT** need to be a *Tax Payer* in order to set up or request for *Standing Order or Weekly Donation Envelope*.

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass, the blue envelopes are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes through the Rectory - Letterbox or email the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill please contact Fr Christian to arrange a visit.

Altar Servers: Online applications to begin serving at Mass are now open for applicants under 18 and over 18. Applicants should have received their First Holy Communion. Prior experience is welcomed but not required. Please visit [Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups /First Holy Communion](#)

Stewards & Minister's Rotas: The new rota is available in the Church Porch and online on the Parish website - [Parish Groups](#).

Sunday Tea/Coffee Morning: Every Sunday after 9:30am Mass in the Manning Room. All are welcome.

Repository: The Repository will be open before and after all the weekend Masses – this weekend. Please stop by and enjoy what is on offer.

Family Rosary and Fish & Chips on the first Friday of each month – the next date is 4th November – Come and pray the Rosary at 5.15pm in the Church, followed by Fish & Chips in the Manning Room. RSVP to place your food order by 2nd November to Cerys Bow 07884 005 190. Adult portion £9, kids portion £5.50. You don't have to have children to come – you just have to like them!

PARISH SCHOOLS

Parish Schools: St Ignatius Catholic Primary School and St Paul's Catholic College (Secondary) are this parish's two Catholic Schools, though some parishioners have children at Catholic secondary schools outside the parish bounds. Both are thriving schools. All Catholics are encouraged to have their children educated in a Catholic context.

Signing of Certificates of Catholic Practice for Catholic Schools

- Parents are requested to contact the School Office first to learn about the School admissions & visit <https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions>.
- **For Secondary Transfer Year 7 (Sept -Oct), Reception (Nov -Jan) & Nursery (Feb- Apr),** please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest via Parish website.
- **For School Years (Yr1 to Yr6) & other school years,** please email the Parish Office for an appointment at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

First Holy Communion 2023: The first session starts on Sunday 6th November, 10:30am-11:20am in the Loyola Centre. Thank you to all those who have submitted the Baptism certificate (*baptised in other parishes*), if you have not please do so by 25th October to complete the registration requirement. Parents please collect the workbook from the Manning Room on the weekend 29/30th October after all Masses or from the Parish Office on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10am to 5pm. The book costs £15, please bring the exact change.

Baptism: To arrange for the baptism of any child under the age of seven please contact the Parish Office to book a meeting. All parents will need to complete a short course on the Sacrament of Baptism, usually held at noon on Saturdays. A child's baptism can be booked for any Saturday which works, again at noon.

Becoming Catholic 2021-22: Welcome home! Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

Marriage: Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

EVENTS

Teacher Training Taster Morning – Thursday 10th November 2022: Being a teacher is such a rewarding role where you can really make a difference in young lives. If you are interested, join us at the Taster Morning. To book a place at this event,

please email teach@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk by 3rd November. If you require any further information, please email Angelina Daniel – adaniel@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk

HCPT: HCPT takes children with disabilities and special needs on a pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes every year at Easter, for a week of fun, laughter, friendship, joy and prayer in this special place. Our local group hasn't been able to make this pilgrimage since 2018 (partly due to Covid) but we are planning on returning to Lourdes for the Easter 2023 pilgrimage. We are currently looking for some young people to join us and some helpers to help care for and support these young people while in Lourdes. Do you know anyone who you think might benefit from a holiday in Lourdes with us? Would you, or anyone you know, like to find out more about being a HCPT helper and giving a child a holiday to remember? Please contact Mary Soane on 07737899487 or email group51@hcpt.org.uk

FR CHRISTIAN WRITES

The story of the tax collector and the pharisee is one of the most strikingly perennial of our Lord's parables. While we may not live in a society where religious observance and outward piety are praised, as in the past, we most certainly do live in a society where signalling that one is "a good guy" or "on the right side" remains central to how we are viewed by the world.

Trying to be a decent person and to do the right thing is, of course, a praiseworthy way to live. The issue here, of course, is the hypocrisy and the pride. Firstly, there is the hypocrisy. We are all imperfect. No one, from Adam till now, and until the end of the world, has been perfect, besides our Lord and our Lady. If we can honestly look at the whole of our lives and only see perfection, then we can know that we are guilty of at least two things: pride and self-deception. This leads us on to the issue of pride. The Pharisee is puffing himself up, looking down on others and congratulating himself because he thinks he is so much better than the tax collector. Notice, however, that he does not pray God. Rather, the text says that he "said this prayer to himself." This, truly, is the giveaway. God is forgotten, the dignity and worth of the other is forgotten.

Today this kind of pride does not necessarily take the form of religious pride (though it very much can). More often, in Britain today, what we should perhaps be aware of is the pride so many can have in being seen to be "on the right side", or "right thinking." It is, indeed, good to recycle and to keep ourselves up-to-date on our equalities training at work, but let us avoid making these things into things to hold over others and to puff ourselves up. Maybe we recycle, but if we think we have zero carbon footprint then we are kidding ourselves. Maybe we are careful to keep ourselves up-to-date on all our equalities training, but that does not make us free from prejudice in our hearts. Nor can it make us holy by itself.

As in our Lord's time, so it is today. What we are expected to do publicly can, and often does, make us better people, but we must always guard against the hypocrisy of making it a mere outward observance which does not change our heart, or an occasion for pride and setting ourselves up over people who fail.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:

**Noel Brown, Trevor Morgan, Yvonne E. Craig,
Brenda Mary Darbin, Catherine (Rena) Jordan.**

*+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them. Amen+*