

Notices for the week beginning 19 October 2014

Sunday 19 October 2014 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Book, pages 7 and 143

Mass 6.00 pm (Vigil) Intentions of Adam Hinds; 8.30 am Fr Bobby Gates (Lately Dead); 10.30 am Noel and Margaret Rickard (Lately Dead)

Monday *Feria*

No Mass

Tuesday *Feria*

No Mass

Wednesday *St John Paul II*

Communion Service 10.00 am

Thursday *Feria*

Mass 10.00 am Austin Pinnington (Lately Dead)

Friday *Feria*

10.00 am Bridie Ward (Anniversary)

followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday *Feria*

Confessions: 10 – 10.30 am; 5.15 – 5.45 pm

Sunday 26 October 2014 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 6.00 pm (Vigil) Intentions of Rose Beck (Sick); 8.30 am Intentions of Kavanagh Family; 10.30 am Michael and Joan Moran RIP

PRAYERS

Please pray for: **Sick:** Terry Andrew, Gaby Boccino, Nina & Erica De Cesco, Bertram De Souza, Eric Hazel, Gwen Herbert, Bill Holliday, Michael Hornsby, Sheila McGrath, Gerry O'Shaughnessy, Honor Owen, Peter Miles, Lana Ridley, Sylvina Rodrigues, Eileen Scotland, Merridee and Naomi Wadling; **Lately Dead:** Austin Pinnington, Noel and Margaret Rickard; **Anniversaries:** Jane Barret, John Berdinner, Susan Caffrey, Margaret Eder, Michael Francis, Roseanne Garvey, Clare Graf, Joseph Hill, Harold Judd, Michael McDonnell, James Malone, Felicia Moderski, Anne Neighbour, Eugene Opalach, Brian Raftery, Clement Stephens, Bill Sunderland, Lawrence Taaffe, Edward Wall, Thomas Wallace and Bridie Ward. May they rest in peace.

PARISH MINISTRIES

2014	6.00 pm Vigil	8.30 am	10.30 am
	F Sherratt	A Halliday	P Apps
	G Booth		D Marsh
	Y Devereux	C Pennicott	H Houston
	J Ruck	D Crauford	S Lewington
	M Miles	D Kerr	A Farrow

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Envelopes: £203.50

Loose: £159.97

Building Fund: £43.00

PARISH NEWS

19 October 2014



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Times of Services

Sunday Mass: 6.00 pm (Vigil), 8.30 am and 10.30 am

Holydays Mass: 10.00 am and 7.30 pm

Weekday Mass: Wednesday to Friday 10.00 am

Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation: 10.00 – 10.30 am
5.15 - 5.45 pm

Letter from Langdon Street

My dear people

There seems to be a bit of a row brewing as the bishops in Rome come to the end of their discussions at the Synod. Some cardinals have been quite vocal about certain comments of their brother bishops. Cardinal Nichols reminds us that the purpose of this special synod is to prepare for a full synod in a year's time. So we must not expect any dramatic announcements this year. The bishops have done what Pope Francis has asked them to do, to speak their minds openly and not say what they think Pope Francis wants them to say.

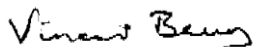
What has emerged is the concern the bishops have about family life in our time with all its pains and sufferings as well as joy and happiness. There are families struggling on a limited income, living in cramped surroundings, working for unscrupulous employers sometimes in unhealthy or even dangerous conditions. Even politicians are now talking about issues that come under the heading of social justice. The Church has been doing this for well over a hundred years. In 1891 Pope Leo XIII issued a document known by its Latin title *Rerum Novarum*. Some "good" Catholics were scandalised when he spoke about the way factory and mine owners treated their staff. Some denounced him as a socialist.

Succeeding popes have referred to this. In the 1931, forty years after Leo XIII, Pope Pius XI spoke about the stresses and demands on family life between the two world wars. In 1941, the fiftieth anniversary, Pope Pius XII described life in wartime. In 1961 Pope John XXII marked the seventieth anniversary with a powerful update in *Mater et Magistra*. Finally Pope John Paul II marked the centenary with a summary of present day church teaching.

I find it remarkable that some of Pope Leo XIII's remarks are as fresh today as when they were first written: "Wages should never be less than enough to support a worker who is thrifty and upright. A worker should receive a wage sufficiently large to enable him to provide comfortably for himself, his wife and his children." It has taken over a century but politicians are moving away from talking about a minimum wage towards Pope Leo's desire for a living wage.

At the beginning of his ministry Our Lord announced the coming of the Kingdom of God. He was a great teacher, he healed the sick, he challenged those who were in positions of power and explained how God rules in such areas as education, health and money. You cannot separate things that are spiritual from those that are material. Everything comes within the rule and Kingship of God. Jesus particularly challenged the corruption he found in the Temple and its bankers. Those holding power in the spiritual and political are not exempt. In today's Gospel Jesus is not proposing any great theory about separating Church and State. For him we have responsibilities in both spheres. We have a duty to speak out when the State exceeds its powers. We have a duty to speak out also when people within the Church exceed their powers.

Yours sincerely



Parish Priest

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday is celebrated today throughout the world wherever the Catholic Church can be found. In a message to us Pope Francis writes: My thoughts today turn to all the local Churches. I invite you to immerse yourself in the joy of the Gospel and nurture a love that can light up your vocation and your mission. Today vast numbers of people still do not know Jesus Christ. Be missionaries of God's love.

There is an envelope included with this newsletter. Please place it with your offering at mass next Sunday.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH CHOIR

When we celebrated our parish centenary in 2010 we formed a choir. We would now like to reform it. We invite the former members and newcomers to the parish to join. We are looking for singers. All voice types and levels of experience are welcome. There is no audition and the ability to read music is not essential. Weekly rehearsals will take place in the church, with a view to singing at one mass a week in the run-up to Christmas, and for the Midnight Mass. For further information please contact Jane Glover, jane_glover@rocketmail.com or call 07434 511795.

PARISH REGISTER

We are updating our Parish Register. It would be helpful to include email addresses. Please fill in the form which is at the back of church. Many thanks to all who filled in the form last Sunday.

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church will take place this afternoon in the Parish Hall, from 3 to 5 pm.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation next year will once again take place at Sacred Heart Church, Berkhamsted. Application forms are available at the back of church.

JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP

The Traidcraft Stall will be open at the Apple Fayre, part of the Tring Farmers Market next Saturday 25 October. This is a good time to visit the market and stock up on local produce and Fairtrade goods. The Christmas Community Concert will be on 6 December in the Victoria Hall at 7.00 pm. Proceeds will go to DENS, our local food bank. The next J & P meeting will be in St Peter & St Paul's Church Hall on 29 October at 8 pm. All are welcome. Please go to www.justiceandpeacecetring.org for more information.

HARRIETTE HICKEY

Harriett and her family have been members of our parish for many years. She is going to Peru in August 2015 to trek from Cusco to Machu Picchu. This is despite her personal medical difficulties and recent surgery, she is going to make this challenge. She will raise money for Worldwide Cancer Research. Several members of her family and friends have all suffered from cancer. If you would like to sponsor her, you can donate by text to PHQA67 £10 to 70070 or by email: www.justgiving.com/HarrietteElizabethHickey.

at www.catholicingles.org.uk. The organisation includes separated and divorced people and has A.S.D.C (Association of Separated and Divorced Catholics.)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 1 November Prayer Breakfast at St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church
- 6 December Prayer Breakfast at New Mill Baptist Church

PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM

Parents who wish to arrange for the baptism of their children should arrange to meet Canon Berry to complete an application form. Parents are asked to attend a pre-baptism talk which takes place once a month. Baptisms take place normally on a Saturday or Sunday. At least one godparent must be a Catholic.

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Breakfast is served at 8.30 am followed by prayer for local and world needs

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The preparation programme began with a parents meeting last Wednesday and a parents and children's meeting yesterday. The first class is next Saturday from 10.30 to 11.30 am.

OUR MINISTRY TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

We have a number of activities for children and young people and these are starting up again:

The Youth club meets on Monday evenings, from 7-9 pm; SPOG, (Small People of God) meets on Friday evenings, from 4.30-6 pm. There will be a monthly Film Club for children (School years 3+) and the first film is tomorrow, Monday 6 October, from 4.30-6.30 pm. The next Messy Church is on Sunday the 19th of October, from 3-5 pm and there will be a light party disco (school year 3+) on Friday 24th October, from 4.30-6 pm

CATHOLIC SINGLES

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please telephone 0161 941 3498, send an email to info@catholicingles.org.uk. You are also invited to visit the Catholic Singles website