

Sunday, 10 th September	9.30 am	Education Day 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Marie Twist - RIP
Monday, 11 th September	9.30 am 2.00 pm		Jim Rauer – Lately Dead Holy Rosary Group
Tuesday, 12 th September		Most Holy Name of Mary	
Wednesday, 13 th September		St. John Chrysostom, Bishop	
Thursday, 14 th September	9.30 am	Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Patsy Coll – Anniversary
Friday, 15 th September		Our Lady of Sorrows	
Saturday, 16 th September		Ss. Cornelius (Pope) and Cyprian (Bishop)	No Confessions today
Sunday, 17 th September	9.30 am	Home Mission Day 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	John Eden - Anniversary

Sick - Philip Akehurst, Sylvia Armitage, Peggy (Margaret) Atherton, Philip Bond, Sarah Bond, Luke Bryan, Vincent Carr, Pat Chapman, Patricia Chisnall, Imelda Cowley, Francis Curran, Ava Davidson, Gerada D'Orsi, Dennis Edmund, Jim Evans, Elaine Fairclough, Marjorie Fairhurst, Ellen Firth, Father Tom Gagie, John & Lily Glover, Grattan & Hilda Hamlett, Mary Hill, Jack Kelly, Shelagh Lowe, Will McDookin, Angela Monks, Rob Mudd, Margaret Murphy, Annie Plant, Beryl Pudifer, Tanya Rattigan, Nathan Sa Joe, Jean Sharkey, Patsy Shiel, Danny Singleton, Georgina Smith, Moira Smith, Margaret and Frank Speakman, Stan Springford, Howard Thomas, Michael Twist, Marjorie Wills, Eden Rose Wilson, Baby Archie, Baby Callum James, and those suffering from Covid.

Lately Dead – Harry Cardwell (aged 10), Eric Prescott, Jim Rauer

Anniversaries – Patsy Coll, John Eden, Joyce Sephton

Birthday remembrance – Luigi D'Orsi

Special Intentions – People of Ukraine, those suffering from COVID 19.

Weekly offertory - Anyone wishing to donate directly into the bank the details are: 40 29 12 / 41545612. St Julies (206). Also, there are details of how to donate via Text on the notice boards at the back of Church.

Counters - We are still looking for volunteers who can do the cash count on a rota basis. 2 people have already kindly volunteered, but we need at least a further 4 people. Please let Christine in the office know if you would like to volunteer.

Children's Liturgy (Little Church) - This will recommence today.

While Fr Michael is on pilgrimage this week, Masses will take place as usual and will be covered by Frs Owen Ince and Simon Gore, with Deacon Brendan assisting.

Education Sunday – has been embraced by our Church for 175 years, serving as a tribute to the significance of education in our faith journey. Today, as we come together in our parishes and schools, we are reminded of the words of Jesus: "Where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them". To find out more details about Education Sunday, see resources, and find out how you can get involved, [click here](#). There will be a retiring collection today.

Looking after our Parish – Saturday 2nd September Fr. Michael extends a big thank you to all those who participated in our Maintenance Day last Saturday.

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) The PPC believes the parish community would benefit from the formation of a **Social Committee** to organise social events that will encourage and strengthen parish spiritual and pastoral life through social interaction. If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please speak to a member of the PPC or to the parish secretary.

Coffee Morning – Macmillan Cancer Support – St. Julie's Mother & Toddler Group are hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning at their session on **Friday, 29th September** from **9 am-12.00 noon** in the parish hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend and if you would like to provide cakes, they would be very much appreciated. Please contact Audrey Baines (07917 762849), Mandy Roberts (07771 773956) or Ann Unsworth (07745 940845) if you can help in any way. Please support this very worthwhile cause.

St Julie's Mother and Toddler Group meet in the parish hall every Tuesday and Friday 9-11am Term time. New members are always welcome. See notices at back of church for more information.

St Julie Piety Shop - New stock has arrived including Children's Birthday Cards, just 80p! Also, if you want to spread the cost of Christmas ..., boxed cards, individual cards and a few Christmas decorations are available, all at reasonable prices, and support the finances of St Julies!

The September edition of the Catholic Pic is available to download here: <https://tinyurl.com/bdcy94js>

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Our Faith on Sunday

LITURGY

23rd Sunday in OT (A)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Ps 118: 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

FIRST READING:

Ezekiel 33:7-9

If you do not speak to the wicked man, I will hold you responsible for his death.

PSALM:

Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v8

R) O that today you would listen to his voice!

Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R)

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (R)

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my
work.' (R)

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-10

Love is the answer to every one of the commandments.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jn 17:17

Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 18:15-20

If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Cf. Ps 41: 2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.



GOSPEL REFLECTION



The Church, from the outset, was meant to be a community of people who try to love one another. In the early Christian communities, which were relatively small, people knew one another well and lived like members of the same family. So, any problems or difficulties between them had to be resolved by and within the community. Jesus placed so much trust in the Church as community that he gave them the power to make binding decisions and promised them that whatever they asked for, as a body, would be granted them. Jesus promised this because he assured them that if they met in his name he himself would be present spiritually in their midst. And with this presence they could be sure of discerning what decisions to make which paths to take. Pope St John Paul II spoke of the urgent need to return to a model of the

Church which is 'communion', in which the concerns, needs and inspirations of all are put in common. Pope Francis is trying with all his strength to bring this about. He talks about 'inverting the pyramid', so that the hierarchy is at the bottom, as it were, and at the service of the people of God.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM (JOY OF THE GOSPEL)



A UNIVERSAL HORIZON

146. There is a kind of "local" narcissism unrelated to a healthy love of one's own people and culture. It is born of a certain insecurity and fear of the other that leads to rejection and the desire to erect walls for self-defence. Yet it is impossible to be "local" in a healthy way without being sincerely open to the universal, without feeling challenged by what is happening in other places, without openness to enrichment by other cultures, and without solidarity and concern for the tragedies affecting other peoples. A "local narcissism" instead frets over a limited number of ideas, customs and forms of security; incapable of admiring the vast potential and beauty offered by the larger world, it lacks an authentic and generous spirit of solidarity. Life on the local level thus becomes less and less welcoming, people less open to complementarity. Its possibilities for development narrow; it grows weary and infirm. A healthy culture, on the other hand, is open and welcoming by its very nature; indeed, "a culture without universal values is not truly a culture".¹²⁷

127. SAINT JOHN PAUL II, Address to Representatives of Argentinian Culture, Buenos Aires, Argentina (12 April 1987), 4: L'Osservatore Romano, 14 April 1987, p. 7.

Promise Of Good Things DYING AND LIVING IN CHRIST

The limits of the earth and the kingdoms of this world are worth nothing to me. It is better for me to die in Christ than to rule over the ends of the earth. My quest is for him who died for our sake; my desire is for him who rose again for us.

The pains of birth are upon me. Be indulgent towards me, friends. Do not prevent me from living, nor desire that I should die. Do not give to the world one who desires to

belong to God, nor deceive him with material things. Allow me to receive the pure light; for when I have come to that light, my life as a man will have begun. Allow me to follow the example of the suffering of my God.

Anyone who has this God within them will understand my desire, and let them sympathize with me, knowing what it is that drives me on.

The Letters of Ignatius

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