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Newsletter for Week commencing Sunday, 22nd October 2023

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - CYCLE A

MISSION SUNDAY

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Sunday, 22 nd October	9.30 am	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Patricia Clisby - Anniversary
		Mission Sunday	
Monday, 23rd October	9.30 am	St John of Capistrano, Priest	Colin Whitaker – Anniversary
	2.00 pm		Holy Rosary Group – all welcome
Tuesday, 24th October		St Anthony Claret, Bishop	
Wednesday, 25th October		Six Welsh Martyrs & Companions	
Thursday, 26th October		SS Chad and Cedd	No Mass at St. Julies.
	9.20 am		Mass at St Thos of Canterbury, with school.
	2.00 pm		Service at St Julie with School
Friday 27th October	9.00 am		Service of the Word for Rob Mudd
Saturday, 28th October		SS Simon and Jude, Apostles	
Sunday, 29th October	9.30 am	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Margaret Marjorie Briers – 1st 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, Margaret Murphy, Annie Plant, Beryl Pudifer, Tanya Rattigan, Nathan Sa Joe, Jean Sharkey, Patsy Shiel, Danny Singleton, Georgina 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 – Rob Mudd, Edward Canning, Jean Duffy, Arthur Gillon, Jean Jones, Joseph Richardson, Margaret Taylor, Arthur Gillon, Peter Haigh, Ann Leonard, Ursula Ventre

Birthday Remembrance - Audrey Devereux

Anniversaries – Margaret Marjorie Briers, Patricia Clisby, Margaret McCooey, Norman Plunkett, Colin Whitaker, John Whelan Special Intentions – Innocent people on both sides of the Israel/Gaza conflict, people of Ukraine, those suffering from COVID 19 Confirmations – Registration for Confirmations for those in Year 8 (or above) will open on the 15th of January and end of the 15th of March 2023.

Children's Liturgy - As it is the school half-term, there will be no Little Church on the following Sundays.

No Liturgy on 29th October and 3rd November. Liturgy Group will resume on Sunday 12th November (Remembrance Day).

Month of the Holy Souls (November), Book of remembrance. If you would like names of deceased relatives and friends added to the book of remembrance, please contact the parish office. The books will be brought up to the altar during the offertory procession at Mass on Sunday 12th November (11th at St Thomas of Canterbury) so please make sure that all names are provided by Monday 6th November. There will also be a remembrance service at Windleshaw Chantry-details to follow in the coming weeks. If you know someone who does not attend Mass regularly and who has lost someone since last November, please encourage them to have names entered in the book and invite them to Mass on the 12th.

The de la Salle school welcome Mass will take place at St Mary's, Lowe House on 25th October at 6.30.

There will be no 9.30 Mass on 26th October. The St Julie's RC primary harvest festival service will take place at 2.00pm 26th October in church.

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u> - there will be a training day for those young people who would like to be commissioned as Eucharistic Ministers on Sunday 10th December. Anyone aged over 15 (year 10) that would like to be commissioned can complete the application form on the Animate Youth Website (under "Events").

<u>Weekly offertory</u> - Last weeks' collection was £255.57. Anyone wishing to donate directly into the bank the details are: 40 29 12 / 41545612. St Julies (206). Even if you aren't a regular donor, but do pay tax, we can reclaim the tax paid on your donation.

Retiring collection – There will be a retiring collection for A.P.F World Missions on Sunday 21st October.

Could you be a deacon? - Archbishop Malcolm will be hosting two Information Evenings for men who may feel called to the diaconate. Each evening will begin at 7.30pm, with refreshments available from 7.00pm, and finish by 9.00pm. Wives and supporting deacons or priests will also be very welcome. Thurs 26th October St Margaret Mary's Presbytery, Pilch Lane, L14 0JG. Thurs 23rd November 7.30-9.00pm in St Bede's Guild Hall, Appleton Village, Widnes, WA8 6EL.

If you are interested in the diaconate but unable to attend either of these evenings, please email Fr Chris Fallon, <u>c.fallon@racol.org.uk</u>, or Deacon Paul Rooney, <u>p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk</u> for more information.

.<u>St Anne & Blessed Dominic, Sutton</u> are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the current church. To mark this anniversary there will be three open days celebrating events from the last fifty years. These Open Days will take place on Thursday 26th October, 10am – 4pm, Friday 27th October, 10am – 4pm, Sunday 29th October, 1pm – 4pm, Tea and coffee will be available.

<u>St Helens Foodbank</u> – This weeks' most wanted items are, Sugar, Noodles, Pasta in Sauce, Instant Mash, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Spaghetti, Toiletries. Please hand in any cash donations to the foodbank directly, and not to Church.

The October edition of the Catholic Pic is available to download here: https://tinyurl.com/yskvrxvp

The Universe Catholic Weekly – is available online by following this link: Home - Universe Catholic Weekly

Dur Faith on Sunday

LITURGY

29th Sunday in OT (A)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 16; 6, 8 To you I call for you will surely heed me, O God;

turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eyes in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Isaiah 45:1. 4-6 FIRST READING: I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him.

PSALM:

Ps 95:1.3-5.7-10. R.v7

R) Give the Lord glory and power.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. (R)

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens. (R)

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. Bring an offering and enter his courts. (R)

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the people in fairness. (R)

SECOND READING:

I Thessalonians 1:1-5 We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Phil 2:15-16 Alleluia, alleluia! You will shine in the world like bright

because you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Matthew 22:15-21 GOSPEL: Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Cf. Ps 32: 18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.



GOSPEL REFLECTION



Once again the Pharisees are trying

to trick Jesus into saying something

so that they can accuse him of

blasphemy and thus turn the

authorities against him. They

pretend they are asking him to

resolve a problem. So they ask him a

question which will force him into

saying something which will enable

them to have him arrested. Jesus

hypocrisy in their question.

Hypocrisy is something which all of

us hate and to which most of us are

very sensitive. We are very quick to

react when one of our politicians

says one thing and then does quite

the opposite. Jesus' immediate reaction is to call out their hypocrisy

and then give an answer which even

they cannot interpret in a negative

way. This Gospel also challenges us

to be sure that we live an authentic

recognises



Christian life and avoid becoming like the Pharisees of this Gospel. We must try more and more to conform our lives to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

(JOY OF THE GOSPEL)



STARTING WITH OUR OWN REGION

152. In some areas of our cities, there is still a lively sense of neighbourhood. Each person quite spontaneously perceives a duty to accompany and help his or her neighbour. In places where these community values are maintained, people experience a closeness marked by gratitude, solidarity and reciprocity. The neighbourhood gives them a sense of Would that shared identity.131 neighbouring countries were able to encourage a similar neighbourly spirit between their peoples! Yet the spirit of individualism also affects relations between countries. The danger of thinking that we have to protect ourselves from one another, of viewing others as competitors or dangerous enemies, also affects relations between peoples in the same region. Perhaps we were trained in this kind of fear and mistrust.

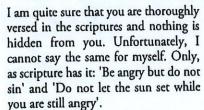
131. Cf. JAIME HOYOS-VÁSQUEZ, S.J., "Lógica de las relaciones sociales. Reflexión onto-lógica, Revista Universitas Philosophica, 15-16 (December 1990-June 1991), Bogotá, 95-106.



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Promise Of Good Things

A PRAYER



Happy the person who keeps this message in mind, which I believe to be true in your case. May God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the great eternal High Priest himself, Jesus Christ the Son of God, make you strong in faith and truth and in all gentleness, without wrath, in patience and long-suffering, tolerance and chastity.

May he give to you a part and a share in the lot of the saints and to us with you and to all under heaven who shall believe in our Lord and God, Jesus Christ, and in his Father who raised him from the dead.

Pray for all God's people. Pray also for emperors, princes and others in authority, for those who persecute you and hold you in contempt, and for those who are the enemies of the cross, so that your fruit may be seen by everyone and that you may be perfected in him.

The Letter of Polycarp to the Philippians

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PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT BULLETIN

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

For the current weeks readings and Saints please look at Liturgy Office www.liturgyoffice.org.uk, Universalis (Liverpool/IOM) and The Liverpool Ordo. You can find additional saints' information on https://www.catholicireland.net/saints category/saints/

<u>NOTE:</u> In light of feedback, we will be posting Archdiocesan related news, resources, and events in the bulletin. We are in the process of setting up a notice board on the website where other information can be housed.

REFLECTION

Remembering all the events of the last few weeks, we would like to share this prayer. This prayer was prayed by the Bishops of the Holy Land Co-ordination at their annual meeting held in the region in 2017. https://www.cbcew.org.uk/prayer-and-fasting-for-peace-in-the-holy-land/

O God of our ancestors, you gave us the earth to make our home so that all peoples may live together in harmony. We have allowed our sad divisions to grow, causing discord and fear of one another. We have scarred the land through our pride. May we learn from the past and remember all those who have suffered, all those who have lost their lives. O God of today and every day, you walk alongside us in our daily lives. We seek a place to make our home, where we can live in peace and fulfilment, and our families grow in love and prosperity. May we raise up new foundations, reach out to our neighbours and welcome the stranger in our midst. O God, guide our steps to a future beyond our hopes. Solutions cannot just be drawn like lines on paper but through the changing of hearts and minds. Open our eyes to see that while we suffer, we may also inflict suffering on others; that in trying to protect ourselves we may be leaving less space for trust. God of mercy and compassion we place in your hands this land and all its people guide and support all those who seek to establish that justice which alone ensures true and lasting peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

UPDATE FROM THE LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESE

VATICAN II LECTURES

In collaboration with Liverpool Hope University, Liverpool Archdiocese is proud to announce a series of lectures that will take place between October and February exploring the 4 constitution documents of Vatican II. They will take place at Liverpool Hope University and will also be made available to people online. Tickets are available here http://bit.ly/3Ql4e5R

FACILITATION TRAINING

We are now offering training for people in our parishes who lead groups. Whether they're for praying, liturgy, or volunteering this 2 hour workshop will provide an opportunity to come together as a group to discuss the format of the group and to discuss new ideas that can support the facilitation of this group moving forward. If you're interested in arranging a workshop for your parish or deanery, please contact e.parsons@rcaol.org.uk



BLACK HISTORY MONTH – resources for October

This month is Black History month and is an opportunity for the Archdiocese to celebrate the rich heritage of our Catholic communities. We are seeking to gather stories from black and other people of colour and will be holding a series of conversations around the archdiocese. If you would like to be part of this conversation, please contact the p.guidi@rcaol.org.uk. Resources are available from the Catholic Bishop's Conference https://www.cbcew.org.uk/racial-justice/

• COST OF LIVING ASSEMBLY - 16th November 2023, 7-8.30pm (online)

This Assembly is co-hosted by Together Liverpool, a social justice charity of the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund, with the Archdiocese of Liverpool's social action coordinator. The main speaker is from the Joint Public Issues Team (JPIT) will talk about working for lasting change, and the new Let's End Poverty movement. For more information and registration: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/network-of-kindness-cost-of-living-assembly-november-2023-tickets-731798477947?aff=oddtdtcreator

VACANCIES AT THE ARCHDIOCESE

We are currently advertising a number of vacancies. If you're interested in working for the Archdiocese, you can find an up-to-date list of vacancies available here: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers

RESOURCES AND EVENTS

(CANTONESE) RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

We extend a warm invitation to individuals aged 18 and above who are interested in exploring and deepening their understanding of the Catholic faith. All fellow believers are also welcome to join us on this journey of Catholic faith. Period: 5th September 2023 – 19th May 2024. The RCIA program consists of two components:

- 1. ZOOM Meetings: Tuesdays, 8-9:30 pm, throughout the program period; AND
- 2. Physical Gatherings: on 3rd Saturday of each month at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Christ the King (Mt. Pleasant, Liverpool L3 5TQ

The language medium for the program is Cantonese. For Enquiry: 0740 3489931 (Flora)

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