



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY – HANDS – FACE – SPACE - AIR

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 10th October 2021

Saturday 9 th October	6.00pm	Rita Hibbitts	
Sunday 10 th October TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Catherine Culliney (B'day Rem.) People of the Parish Jimmy McNabb Carole Travis	Tea and coffee served after 11 am Mass in the PC garden
Monday	9.30 am HF 11.00 am	Philomena Murphy Boyd Grierson (Requiem)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Priest's Intention Alan Buckland (Requiem)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Margaret Thurston Mercedes & Kenneth Burns (SI)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Priest's Intention Mary McAndrew Ormrod, Brew & Hanisch (D'cd Fam)	Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Susan Ashcroft James Coleman (Ann.)	St. Teresa of Avila
Saturday	12.00 noon	Marie Coyle (SI)	Ferial
Saturday 16 th October	6.00 pm	John William Keegan (B'day Rem.)	
Sunday 17 th October TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	People of the Parish Michael Reynolds Ted Woolley (B'Day Rem.) Sister Catherine Joy SIA	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

11.00am – 12 noon Saturdays,
observing social distancing.
Or by appointment

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

By arrangement with
Father Woolley

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Collection over week /weekend
ending 26th September 2021
SJ £979.31 HF £263.20

The Right Stuff

Have you ever backed away from an opportunity that could have changed your life? Have you ever turned down an invitation to take part in something because you felt inadequate or afraid?

In today's gospel story a man kneels at Jesus' feet and asks "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" The man is a good man, a man who has kept all the commandments from his youth. Jesus replies, "You lack one thing, go, sell what you own and give the money to the poor; then come and follow me." The rich man goes away sadly, because he has many possessions and cannot do what Jesus asks.

The rich man in the story represents all of us. In this country even the poorest of us is rich compared to those in third world countries. We are all more like the rich man in the story than we'd care to admit. Like the rich man we can't quite get our heads round what Jesus considers rich and what Jesus considers poor. Like the man in the story we have trouble leaving worldly concerns behind and placing complete trust in God. Like the rich man we have trouble stepping out of our comfort zones and taking risks. Like the rich man it is hard, almost impossible, to detach ourselves from material interests. In short, the story is uncomfortable for most of us because in it we hear Jesus asking us to do something that is frankly too difficult. Some of Jesus' disciples at the time obviously thought so too. "They were greatly astounded and said to one another 'Then who can be saved?'"

In this story we might feel that we are being set up for failure, but this is not the truth. Why would Jesus ask something that was impossible? In actual fact Jesus was inviting the man to be a disciple. He was giving the man a wonderful opportunity. Jesus had faith in the man. He has looked at the man and seen great possibilities. Jesus was giving the man the opportunity to take his faith to another level. How sad that the man's wealth proved too great a stumbling block. Today's gospel is an invitation for us all to take our faith up a gear, and to ask what stumbling blocks might be barring us from the opportunity of a lifetime.

Entrance Antiphon : *If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.*

Responsorial Psalm : *Fill us with your love, that we may rejoice.*

Gospel Acclamation : *Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon : *The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.*

Year B Wisdom 7: 7-11 Psalm 89 Hebrews 4: 12-13 Mark 10: 17-30

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Deirdre Peden

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ST. JOSEPH'S & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

Please join us next Sunday 17th October 2021 1.30pm - 4.45pm for our 6 mile walk around Mersey Valley taking in parts of Bridgewater Way / NCN62 (Trans Pennine Trail).

Approx 6 miles on reasonable paths/riverbank some short inclines, could be muddy! Toilets start and finish with a tea/coffee break half way.

Meet in The Boathouse Car Park, Rifle Road, M33 2LX at 1.15pm for a 1.30pm prompt departure. Check our website www.stjosephswalkers.org.uk for more information or phone Kieron 07785 344102

YOUTH 2 LOURDES

After a two year gap due to Covid, the Diocese are planning next year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

The dates are 27th July – 5th August 2022. Father Stephen would like to ask any of our young parishioners (16 years or older) if they would like to join him as a pilgrim to Our Lady of Lourdes. If you are interested, please fill in an enquiry which can be found in the sacristy. Also, if there are adults who are interested in helping or going on the Pilgrimage, please contact Father Stephen.

FIRST FORGIVENESS AND HOLY COMMUNION 2021-2022

After a very difficult year, we are now planning the programme for parish children in non-catholic schools to begin later this year.

We need some idea of numbers. If your child is at a Non-Catholic School and is 7 years old (Year 3) or above and would like to celebrate their First Forgiveness and Holy Communion, please collect an enrolment form from the Sacristy. This is for both Holy Family and St Joseph's.

ST. TERESA OF AVILA (1515-1582) *15th October*

As a woman, Teresa stood on her own two feet, even in the man's world of her time. She was "her own woman," entering the Carmelites despite strong opposition from her father. She is a person wrapped not so much in silence as in mystery. Beautiful, talented, outgoing, adaptable, affectionate, courageous, enthusiastic, she was totally human. She founded over a half-dozen new monasteries. She travelled, wrote, fought—always to renew, to reform. In her self, in her prayer, in her life, in her efforts to reform, in all the people she touched, she was a woman for others, a woman who inspired and gave life.

Her writings, especially the Way of Perfection and The Interior Castle, have helped generations of believers.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **William Boyd Grierson, Alan Buckland** and **Christina Quig** who have died recently. May they rest in peace. We extend to their families and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and extremely difficult time.

COFFEE AND CAKE SALE

Next Sunday 17th October there will be tea and coffee served in the Parish Centre after 11.00am Mass when there will also be a cake sale to raise money for the Bone Cancer Research Trust. All welcome.

SYNOD 2021 2023

Today the Holy Father will open Synod 2021 2023 in Rome, the following Sunday (17 October) the Diocesan Phase of the Synod will begin. It has been suggested that we use the seven days in-between as a time of spiritual preparation.

Monday

For the Church. That we may journey as companions, side by side one another on the same road.

Tuesday

For listening ears. That our hearts and minds be open to listening to others without prejudice.

Wednesday

For the gift of speaking out. That we be encouraged in this Synod journey to speak with courage and boldness integrating freedom, truth, and love.

Thursday

For a Church that celebrates. That our journey together in the coming months will be based on listening together to the Word of God and the celebration of the Eucharist in the communion of the People of God.

Friday

For our participation in the Mission of Christ. That through our Synodal journey together, we may grow in our shared responsibility of the mission that is entrusted to us.

Saturday

For our discernment to be led by the Holy Spirit. That all decisions made on this Synodal path may be discerned through a consensus that flows from our common obedience to the Holy Spirit.

Sunday

For a spirituality of journeying together. That we may be formed as disciples of Christ, as families, as communities, and as human beings, through our experience of this Synodal journey.

The Prayer of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.