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Adoration

Monday 9-7PM

Friday 6-7PM

Confessions

Friday 6-7PM

Saturday 10AM



In recent years, the word 'mission' has been often used in the Church to remind the faithful of the universal call to holiness. The readings this weekend call us to reflect on the nature and challenges of mission. In the first reading Ezekiel is sent to the people of Israel who were in Babylon, to reassure them on God's mercy and love. However the prophet was warned that as God's prophet, he would endure rejection and persecution for spreading God's message. Similarly, the Gospel reveals that many people of Jesus' hometown of Nazareth did not accept Jesus as a prophet because they "knew" Jesus and his family too well. They knew Jesus as a carpenter with no schooling in Mosaic Law and knew that this "son of the carpenter" could not be the promised Messiah who would come from Bethlehem as a descendant of David's royal family. It wasn't just Jesus' mission; their prejudices made it difficult for them to engage with Jesus. We are called to be missionaries to present Jesus. This mission in our present world sees challenges. Pope Francis reminds us that "every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love." Once we have encountered Jesus Christ and His merciful love, we are called to share that encounter with others. We are called to this mission regardless of who we are. St. Paul tells us in the second reading about some of his problems. He does not go into great detail, only to say that he couldn't take it any longer, "I prayed urgently to the Lord, asking Him to help me, to take this thing away." The answer was always the same: my grace is enough for you for my power is perfected in weakness. Whatever Paul's difficulties were, God did not remove them, he was given the strength to bear it. We do not always get what we ask for, but God will always give us what we need.

Sat 6th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30AM 18.00PM	All Parishioners Collette Dennis
Sun 7th July 2024	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:00AM 18.00PM	Una Leach RIP Maureen Borg RIP (Anniversary)
Mon 8th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19:00PM	Michael Bedford Aman Razik
Tue 9th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19.00PM	Fr Brian Cuddihy IC Mike Biggerstaff
Wed 10th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19.00PM	Catherine Mary Elkin RIP Valerie nee Perry
Thurs 11th July 2024	Feast of St Benedict Abbot, Patron of Europe	10.00AM 19.00PM	Florence Michael (Thanksgiving) Nc Chacko
Fri 12th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19.00PM	Rappai RIP Helena Blondzik RIP
Sat 13th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	09:30AM 18:00PM	All Parishioners Holy Souls in Purgatory

This week's Gospel – Mark 6:1-6

'A prophet is only despised in his own country'

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Responsorial Psalm

Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy.

With Thanks from Fr John Buckner IC

Thank you to you all who remembered me in your prayers, sent cards, gifts and well wishes on my 70th Anniversary of Ordination. May God Bless you all Fr John.

March for Life - 7th September in London

There are many attempts at the moment to further liberalise abortion in the UK and to silence those offering any alternative viewpoint whether that's 'pills by post' abortions, 'decriminalisation', buffer zones or censorship on pro-life students at universities. The dangers of these situations are being highlighted by the theme for this year's March for Life which is 'Abortion isn't Healthcare'. Join thousands at this family-friendly event. Find out more at www.marchforlife.co.uk

Used Stamps for Myton Hospice

Another bag of used stamps from the Parish has been taken to Myton Hospice which they sell for additional funding. All used stamps are welcome so please continue to save them and put them in the box at the back of the church next to the confessional box. Please do not cut off perforations or the barcodes as these are part of the stamp. Thank you.

KYT Summer Camp

Kenelm and Life Teen UK host a summer camp for young people aged 12-18. The camp lasts a week and involves a range of activities. The camp is based at Alton Castle, as well as heading off to a variety of different places for fun and games. Alongside this, there are spaces and times for prayer, adoration and for young Catholics to connect and gather together. The camp runs from **Sun 21 to Thurs 25 July** and prices start at £195 www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

Parish Meeting

The second parish meeting of the year will be on Tuesday 16th July at 6PM.

2nd Collection next weekend

There is a second collection next weekend for the Apostleship of the Sea. Seafarers and fishermen play a vital role in our lives, but they often work in difficult and hazardous conditions, next Sunday is when the Church will pray for all those who live and work at sea. You can donate next Sunday at Church or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5

Parish Census

Thank you to those who have filled in the parish registration card returning it via the collection boxes. For those of you who have not yet done so, please take a card, fill in the details and return by the end of July. We ask that all parishioners complete this, many of you will be already registered with the parish, but we are taking this time to update all our records. There is also the opportunity on the back to list how you would like to volunteer your time.

UCM

The Union of Catholic Mothers will be presenting Fr Aji with a cheque at this Sunday's morning mass which is now for £1500. Thank you once again to all who supported the clothes sale, coffee morning and Carmel's Cakes.

Eucharistic Ministers Rota

Please collect the new rota which is on the table at the back of Church, thank you.

4th World Day for Grandparents and Elderly On Sunday 28 July

In preparation for the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly the Pope has chosen the theme: "Do not cast me off in my old age" (cf. Psalm 71:9). In his message, Pope Francis will draw on the verse from Psalm 71 that depicts the plea of an elderly person who reflects on the story of their friendship with God. Please welcome your grandparents or elderly neighbours/friends to join us at the 10AM Mass.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Andrew Aksentowicz, Laurence Reid, James Murphy, Margaret Cannell

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Maureen Borg, Ronald Redman, Rosemary Cooney, Stephen Major, Anne Bullough, Bert Carey, Edward Buckley, Nieves Gercs, Margaret Smith, Paul Ashmore, Terrence McCullough, Jason O'Neill, Patricia O'Sullivan, Peter O'Hare

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Tom Donnelly, Sharon Colleran, George Mears, Freddie Fereday, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Hattie Taylor, Lenny & Marie Niner, Val Muir, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Elsie Johnson, Ginny Eves, Paula Ann Smith, Michael Duffin, Teresa Summersgill, Breda O'Byrne, Alan Thomas, Philomena, Antonio Hernandez, Eamon Curry, Janet Eyles, Avito D'Souza, Malcolm Reeves, John Dover, Terry McSweeney, Stuart Woodcock, Fr Bellwood IC, Fr Cuddihy IC