

## St. Marie's Church, Rugby, CV22 5EL Served by Rosminians Archdiocese of Birmingham

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### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Adoration Monday 9-7PM Friday 6-7PM Confessions Friday 6-7PM Saturday 10AM



Welcome to everyone. The first reading comes from Amos, a mere sheep herder and sycamore fig farmer. He described himself as "I am not a prophet nor a son of a prophet." However, God completely changed his life. It must be said that Amos was not trying to impress anyone, nor was he overly concerned that people would not want to hear his message. He just wanted to open people's hearts to truth. In the Gospel, Jesus sends His disciples out with a similar attitude to Amos: if people don't listen, leave, and take it with you to next place you go. Jesus sent out the Apostles to conquer evil and to preach repentance and to cure the sick. Yet, He and His apostles will meet stubborn hearts and deaf ears. But there are differences between what Jesus does and what He sends the Apostles to do. The apostles are here not raising the dead as Jesus did, and they're using oil to cure the sick which Jesus didn't. But, it is clear that they act with His blessing and with urgency. Amos was the first prophet to record the messages he received. He is admired for the purity of his language, his beauty of diction, and his poetic art. Amos' name in Hebrew means "to carry; borne by God". Indeed, he was a pure vessel of God's words. From his story, we learn that God's word is given to change us, starting from giving us perspective of the Gospel, so that everything around us draws our attention to Him. When our faith is weak, however, we tend to fall into a trap thinking that God is not interested in what happens to us, and we live in a spirit of bitterness and accusation of God. Many people do not want to hear the preaching of Jesus today, especially if it goes against their rationalist view of life. Rather than make waves we might just let things slide. Like Amos, we can all claim: we don't need this! In Baptism Jesus commissioned us to go out and proclaim His Word. Let us pray for the courage to proclaim the truth, as the Word of God contains the power of God's Will to change our daily life, as it happened in the life of Amos.

Sat 13th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30AM 18.00PM	All Parishioners Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sun 14th	Fifteenth Sunday	10:00AM	Private Intention Charles Thomas Bourgeois (well-being)
July 2024	in Ordinary Time	18.00PM	
Mon 15th	Memorial of St Bonaventure,	10.00AM	Maggie Smith RIP
July 2024	Bishop, Doctor of the Church	19:00PM	Seamus Mulligan (healing)
Tue 16th	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM	Francis Geehan RIP
July 2024		19.00PM	Florence Michael
Wed 17th July 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19.00PM	Tom Kennedy RIP Bishops Richard Walker & Timothy Menezes
Thurs 18th	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM	Peter Burke (healing)
July 2024		19.00PM	Fr John Buckner IC
Fri 19th	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM	Maria Leonor Faro RIP
July 2024		19.00PM	Sr Ancitta
Sat 20th	Feria in Ordinary Time	09:30AM	All Parishioners
July 2024		18:00PM	Catherine Raton RIP

### This week's Gospel – Mark 6:7-13 'Take nothing with you'

Jesus made a tour round the villages, teaching. Then he summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy, and give us your saving help.

# Ordinations week: One Priest, Two Bishops and Three Deacons

The month of July is often a month of ordinations, both to the presbyterate and the permanent diaconate, but this year we will also celebrate the Episcopal Ordination of Monsignor Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker. An ordination – like a marriage or religious profession – is always a moment to rejoice, but it is also the moment when we witness God powerfully at work amongst us.

Let us pray for an increase in vocations to the single life, married life, consecrated life and particularly that more men will respond with courage to the Lord's personal invitation to follow Him as priests and deacons for our Archdiocese.

Sunday 14 July: Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of Andrew Foster, Anthony Hartley and Andrej Rusnak.

Tuesday 16 July: Episcopal ordination of Mgr Timothy

Menezes and Canon Richard Walker. **Saturday 20 July:** Ordination to the Priesthood: Revd David Bench.

All ordinations can be watched via St Chad's Cathedral live stream: https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/



#### **UCM**

We thank the The Union of Catholic Mothers for their fundraising events. The UCM Treasurer Carmel Reynolds presented Fr Aji with a cheque last Sunday morning for £1500. Thank you once again to all who supported the clothes sale, coffee morning and Carmel's Cakes. If you would like to join the UCM then please do get in touch.

#### **Parish Meeting**

The second parish meeting of the year will be this coming Tuesday the 16th July at 6PM in Hibberts Hall.

#### 2nd Collection this weekend

There is a second collection this 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. Sea Sunday is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. You can donate in Church or by visiting <a href="www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate">www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate</a> or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, thank you for your donation no matter how little.

#### **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.

#### **Heritage Day Volunteers**

If you are able to help out with this years Heritage Day then please do get in touch and let us know asap.

#### **RCIA - Registration forms**

Forms are at the back of church for those wishing to join the Catholic Faith or renew their journey in faith.

#### **Eucharistic Ministers Rota**

Please collect the new rota which is at the back of Church.

# 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**

Laurence Reid, Margaret Cannell

#### FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Bert Carey, Edward Buckley, Nieves Gercs, Margaret Smith, Paul Ashmore, Terence McCullough, Jason O'Neill, Patricia O'Sullivan, Siobhan Morris, Peter O'Hare, Estelle Roberts, Kathleen Swindell, Gwendoline Ford, Eileen Crook

#### 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