



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST. WULSTAN

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15 SEP. 2024 – TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY

Please gather in prayerful silence. Be encouraged "to speak to God before Mass and to speak to your neighbour after Mass".

Saturday 14	<i>Vigil: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
4.30pm	Holy Hour
5.30pm	The Bate Family
Sunday 15	<i>Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9.00am	Holy Hour
10.00am	Matthew Stewart (Intentions)
Monday 16	<i>Ss. Cornelius, Pope, Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</i>
9.30am	Mass
Tuesday 17	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>
	Private Mass
Wednesday 18	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>
6.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration
7.00pm	Mass
Thursday 19	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>
9.30am	Mass
Friday 20	<i>Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs</i>
9.30am	Mass
Saturday 21	<i>Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist</i>
5.30pm	<i>Vigil: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
	Sr. Sharon pcj (Intentions)
Sunday 22	<i>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
10.00am	Joe Vella Bondin RIP

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday 6.00pm – 7.00pm.
Confession: Saturday 4.45pm – 5.25pm
Private Rosary / Quiet Prayer: Sunday - 9.30am – 10.00am
Refreshments: Sundays 11.00am to 11.45am - parish hall.
Children's Liturgy: At 10.00am Mass on Sundays during term time.

Pope's Prayer Intention for September – For the cry of the earth: We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

Peter's profession of faith: We enter Part Two of Mark's Gospel (8:27-16:8). After having been consistently rejected and misunderstood despite all he has said and done, Jesus starts to proclaim the necessity of the suffering, death, and resurrection of the Son of Man in God's plan.

The First Reading talks about the Servant of the Lord who suffers, not in spite of his innocence, but because of it. But he is sustained in all his trials by the firm belief that God is with him. The suffering Servant represents the many suffering just people. The New Testament sees Jesus as Suffering Servant *par excellence*.

In the Gospel we have Peter's profession of faith. In response to that confession, Jesus makes a threefold discourse: that the Messiah must suffer, that his disciples must be prepared to share his suffering, and that his and their suffering will lead to ultimate glory.

Sick: Please pray for Janet Pittam, Nora Brown, Bernie Grant, John Ison, Chris Ison and all those who are unwell currently and those who need our prayers.

RIP: Please pray for the recently deceased, especially Fr Terence McGuckin, Fr Peter Blundell, Roy Hedges, Mark Hallam, Paul Gorner, John Fitzpatrick, Kay Webster and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

Sanctuary Lamp: The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for the intentions of Mina Murray. Let us pray for Mina and the Murray family. Dates to book Sanctuary Lamp are available from 26th October at £4.00 per week.

Thank You to all who helped with organising Sacrament of the sick in our parish. Let us continue to keep all who are frail and unwell in our community in our thoughts and prayers.

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday: This weekend we celebrate 'Evangelii Gaudium Sunday', formerly known as Home Mission Sunday. It gives us the opportunity to reflect on the great mandate we have been given by the Risen Lord to evangelise the whole world.

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations," the Lord commissions, as we hear in Matthew 28:19.

Inspired by our ongoing Synodal process, Scripture, and Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*, we have chosen the theme '*Growing as missionary disciples*'. On the day itself, we can encourage the faithful to pray for our parish communities, that they would become intentionally missionary in their life and witness.

A second collection will also be taken on Evangelii Gaudium Sunday to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. Please hold this important work in your prayers.

Memorial Mass Sr. Máire Morris pcj RIP: A Memorial Mass for Sr. Máire will be held on Sunday 22nd September 2024 at 10.00am. After Mass there will be a 'Bring & Share' lunch in Parish Hall. All are welcome. A list will be at the back of the Church for you to indicate what you can bring.

Adoremus in Our Parish- This Weekend (15 Sept): As the Bishops of England and Wales have invited all parishes across our countries to have a period of Exposition to unite the faithful in focusing on the Eucharist in anticipation of the Jubilee Year with renewed and deepened devotion, there will be an **hour of Eucharistic Adoration before the Masses this weekend. Parishioners are asked to come a little earlier and take part in the adoration.**

The Season of Creation: Everyone in the Catholic family - parishes, schools, communities and individuals - is encouraged to join in prayer to mark the Season of Creation from 1 September to 4 October.

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to listen and care for our common home. The "Celebration" begins 1 September, the Feast of Creation, and ends 4 October, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

Father Hudson's Care Annual Parish Collection: As you are aware we receive an Annual Parish collection each year, for which we are truly grateful. This year our collection takes place over the weekend of the 21st & 22nd of September. This is a major fundraising event for our charity as the money raised goes to support our five themes, Homelessness, Older People, Disability, Children & Family and Refugees and Migrants.

We have asked staff, volunteers & supporters to speak to their local priest, seeking permission to deliver a short presentation in church the week before, to act as a reminder. Could it also be possible to include this in your weekly newsletter please?

Shortly after the bank holiday you will receive leaflets, a poster and gift envelopes. It would be really appreciated if you could display the poster and perhaps ensure that the leaflets and envelopes are available on the 21st & 22nd. Thank you for your support.

Offertory Collections – 08.09 2024

Non-Gift Aided: £112.02 Candles £11.35 Piety: £30.00

Refreshments: £52.80

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Mass Attendance: Saturday: 31 Sunday 55 Total:86

Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham: The Vatican has granted a new Feast for Our Lady of Walsingham to be celebrated in the dioceses of England, starting this year on 24 September. Speaking of the new feast of Our Lady of Walsingham Cardinal Roche said: "May this yearly celebration be a source of renewed grace and evangelical endeavour for the Church in England and Wales, as, imitating Mary, the faithful may ever more become disciples of her Son, receive the message of the Gospel, treasure it in their hearts and reflect on it in their minds."