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The Week Ahead

Psalter Week 2

Weekday Cycle of Readings Year II

Sunday 29 September, Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

World Day of Prayer for Migrants & Refugees

God walks with His people

09:15: Helen Byrne

Tuesday 1 October, Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

09:30: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00: Private Intention

18:00: *Rosary Group (led by Steve, all welcome)*

Friday 4 October, Memorial of St Francis of Assisi, Priest.

18:30: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

19:00: Private Intention

Sunday 6 October, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

09:15: Angelo Capritta R.I.P.

Our Second Collection for the Fr Hudson's Society raised £118:41. Thank You for your continued generosity

Sunday 6 October there may be a voluntary Second Collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast

Confession: Available during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October: We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people..

We remember in our prayers: The sick and housebound of the parish and all known to us who are particularly unwell at this time.

Gift Aid- Please speak with Helen Dudley if you would like to know more about our planned giving scheme, Gift Aid and Standing Orders.

Pastoral Statistics Return 2024: Volunteer please to count the Mass Attendance on each Sunday beginning September 22, then Sundays' 29 September, 6 & 13 October. Many thanks.

Full Parish Meeting: Directly following Mass on Sunday 17 November to discuss Christmas and the Year Ahead.

Prayer and Meditation: Wednesday 2 October 2.30 at Liz's house opposite St Joseph. Everyone is welcome to come along

National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima:

St. Marie's in Rugby will be **welcoming** The National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, and Relics of Ss Jacinta & Francisco Marto on Sunday 6th and Monday 7th October, the Feast of our Lady of the Rosary. Everyone is invited to join in this privileged visitation and to pray the Rosary and hear the story of Fatima including the messages of Our Lady of Fatima. Copy of the timetable is on the noticeboard.

Revel Churches: Start your journey to discover about life, Jesus and God at the Community Hall Brinklow on Thursday 17th October at 7pm. Everyone is welcome, do come and join us.

Saint Thérèse of Lisieux: Thérèse has much to teach our age of the image, the appearance, the "self." We have become a dangerously self-conscious people, painfully aware of the need to be fulfilled, yet knowing we are not. Thérèse, like so many saints, sought to serve others, to do something outside herself, to forget herself in quiet acts of love. She is one of the great examples of the gospel paradox that we gain our life by losing it, and that the seed that falls to the ground must die in order to live.

Preoccupation with self-separates modern men and women from God, from their fellow human beings, and ultimately from themselves. We must re-learn to forget ourselves, to contemplate a God who draws us out of ourselves, and to serve others as the ultimate expression of selfhood. These are the insights of Saint Thérèse, and they are more valid today than ever. (*Franciscan media*)

St Francis of Assisi: was poor only that he might be Christ-like. He recognized creation as another manifestation of the beauty of God. In 1979, he was named patron of ecology. He did great penance—apologizing to "Brother Body" later in life—that he might be totally disciplined for the will of God. Francis' poverty had a sister, Humility, by which he meant total dependence on the good God. But all this was, as it were, preliminary to the heart of his spirituality: living the gospel life, summed up in the charity of Jesus and perfectly expressed in the Eucharist. (*Franciscan media*).