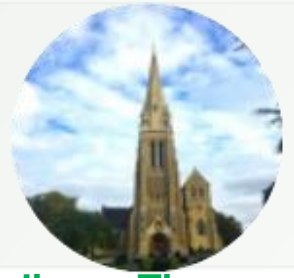




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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Adoration

Sun 9AM-10AM

Mon 9AM-7PM

Fri 6PM-7PM

Confessions

Sun 9:30AM

Friday 6-7PM

Saturday 10AM



Welcome to you all, The Israelites rejoice in the nearness of God as Moses proclaims the laws and customs of God. No other nation has been so favoured! Those laws and customs are not a burden, but rather a clear indication of God's loving presence and concern for His people. All the blessings and gifts we possess come to us from God and in order that they bear fruit, St James tells us... you must do what the Word tells you.

Today's Gospel from Mark expresses God's love and care in the most personal way possible—coming as one of us in Jesus, the Word made flesh! All the old ways were supposed to lead people to God, but in time some regarded the customs as more valuable than what they pointed to. Jesus urges for nearness to God that might be manifested in love and friendship for Him. In other words, we must strive to focus our energies not just on ourselves, but on others. The Scribes and Pharisees did not understand this, their focus was principally on themselves, rather than the needs of others. They saw themselves as beyond criticism simply because they did as the Law of God required of them. Anyone can easily fall into this trap! We can fall into it for similar reasons. All it takes is for us to forget that a life of faith is one that seeks conversion of heart. To help us remedy this God has given us the beautiful sacrament of confession. Since we all have tendencies to fall away from what is true, He offers us a sure way back onto the right path, an escape route from the trap. The Cross is both our symbol and a constant reminder of both the historical gift of Jesus and of His ever renewed invitation to join Him in living the joyous gift that is sacrificial love. To be able to truly consider the needs of others over our own needs we must abandon all sense of selfishness behind and recommit to live the Love of God. We must cultivate holiness by staying in the presence of the Holy One.

Sat 31st Aug 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	09:30AM 18:00PM	All Parishioners Departed Souls in Purgatory
Sun 1st Sept 2024	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:00AM 18:00PM	Una Leach RIP Tom Dominic
Mon 2nd Sept 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19:00PM	Jacinta Edloy RIP Alan Parish
Tue 3rd Sept 2024	Feast of St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church	10.00AM 19.00PM	Mary RIP Patricia Dufficy (well-being)
Wed 4th Sept 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 12.00PM 19.00PM	Alan Parish Wedding of Ross & Patricia Elizabeth Logan
Thurs 5th Sept 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19.00PM	Raja (birthday thanksgiving) Dr Ria
Fri 6th Sept 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00AM 19.00PM	Maureen Borg RIP Gracy John RIP (anniversary)
Sat 7th Sspt 2024	Feria in Ordinary Time	09:30AM 18:00PM	All Parishioners Departed Souls in Purgatory

This week's Gospel – Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

'You put aside the commandment of God, to cling to human traditions'

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

Responsorial Psalm

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Parish Feast Day

Sunday 8th September will be our Parish Feast Day, there will be adoration from 9AM. Mass will conclude with a short procession around the Church grounds followed by a shared table in Hibberts Hall. Please bring food to the hall before Sunday morning Mass if you are able to bring something to share and place your name on the list at the back of Church.

Dr Ria

Many of you will know Dr Ria and her family, Ria is answering a call and joining the Dominican Sisters of the English Congregation of St. Catherine of Sienna. We congratulate Ria and will keep Ria and her family in our prayers as she enters the discernment process and may Ria have courage and know God's presence is with her on her journey. God Bless from us all

National Office for Vocation

Young people who are discerning their vocation are invited to Invocation @ Adoremus at St Mary's College, Oscott on **Sun 15th Sept**. It is an opportunity to reflect on how we follow Jesus and respond to the universal call to Holiness. It will offer resources, formation and accompaniment in discerning and embracing your vocation! The event is for young adults aged 16-30 and is free, but will need to register attendance at; <https://www.ukvocation.org/event-details-registration/invocation-at-adoremus>

Heritage Days

We are opening the church for the Heritage Days on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th September, 11am until 4pm. Thank you to all the volunteers who have offered to help so far. We also need donations of sandwiches and cakes for those days. If you can help please let Eva Marie Marison know. Thank you in advance for any help you can offer.



Youth Group Walk

Thank you to all those who attended the walk in Warwick with reflections on Wednesday last, the walk concluded with Mass at St Charles Borromeo RC Church

Congratulation's to Fr George

Fr George will be next weekend taking part in a skydive raising money for those less fortunate in his native India, congratulations Fr George in raising over £2,000 so far and good luck for next weekend.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Colin Dalton, Louise Anne Turner, Anthony O'Brien

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Terry Coles, Kathleen McConaghy, Lawrence McGrath, Violet Eeckelaers, David Foot, James Charnock, Michael Aldridge

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

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