



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER
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 "The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many."
 Mark 10:35-45 Psalter Week 1

The Twentieth Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 19th – 20th October 2024

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for October, For A Shared Mission: Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

Sat 19 th Oct	Vigil for the Twentieth Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Second Collection for Missio	5.30 pm Mass: Divine healing on Maureen Walsh, Michael Walsh Ans Peggy Lennon. Angelus
Sun 20 th Oct	The Twentieth Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: World Mission Sunday Second Collection for Missio	9.35: Rosary 10.00 am Mass: Bill Ryder. RIP. Children's Liturgy Angelus
Mon 21 st Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass:
Tues 22 nd Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm Mass:
Wed 23 rd Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass:
Thurs 24 th Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time	Mass: No Mass
Fri 25 th Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass:
Sat 26 th Oct	Vigil for The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time:	5.30 pm Mass: Angelus
Sun 27 th Oct	The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time:	9.35: Rosary 10.00 am Mass: Angelus

Readings for the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: In our First reading this week Isaiah describes a servant who suffers for others. This servant takes on pain and sorrow to bring healing and forgiveness. This passage points to Jesus, who willingly suffered to save us from our sins. In Paul's letter to the Hebrews, he speaks of Jesus as our high priest. Jesus understands our weaknesses because He faced the same temptations. Because of this, we can approach God with confidence, knowing we will receive his mercy.

In our Gospel from Mark, James and John ask Jesus for positions of honour. Jesus teaches them that true greatness comes from serving others. He came not to be served but to serve and give His life for many.

Jesus's response turns worldly ideas of power and authority upside down. True leadership in the Kingdom of God is about humility and service, not seeking honour for oneself. He calls us all to follow His example.

This Sunday 20th October is World Mission Sunday: The Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity, and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. To donate, use the Missio envelopes, or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit, and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

Children's Liturgy: Our Monthly Children's liturgy is this weekend. The team welcome any children attending our 10.00 mass to join in.

Prayer Intentions: We pray for all on our parish sick list and those who care for them, that the Lord may guide them and strengthen them through their illness. We pray for those who have died for those whose anniversaries are near, Rose Ann Kelleher, Barry Hughes, Alan Moulder, James O' Donahue, Suzanne Mary Boazman, and Bernard Dooling. May they know the peace of the heavenly kingdom in the company of the angels and saints.

The Rosary and Angelus: October is a month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. Please try and say at least a decade of the rosary each day of this month. We shall be reciting the rosary before our 10.00 mass each Sunday this month. After our weekend Masses, we shall be saying the Angelus.

Stratford Food Bank: "This Harvest season, we are reaching out to our local community to help support our work to break the burden of isolation on those in hardship, so that no one feels alone. For many of the people who receive our support, walking through the doors of the food bank is one of the few social interactions they will have that week. Please do help with what you can through October and drop food in the boxes at the back of the church.

Mass for our Departed Holy Souls and Blessing of Graves in our Cemetery on 2nd November @ 1.00 pm. Our mass for our departed loved ones and blessing of the graves this year will be on Saturday 2nd November at 1.00 pm. All are welcome to come and join us to pray for their departed loved ones in the Cemetery Chapel. Please note the change of time.

First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation for Children not at Catholic Schools. Our Programme of preparation for Children for these sacraments in 2025 will start later in the year. It would be helpful if we could have the names, dates of birth of the child and the contact numbers and email of parents who wish to support their children on this sacramental journey. Please forward to the parish email or leave a note with Fr Damian.

100 Club October Draw Please continue to support our lovely church and community. If anyone wants another number we do have some left. There are some "sign-up envelopes" at the back of the church. If you have not renewed your Number, any cheque payments (£120) Payable to "RCA Birmingham Parish of Our Lady and St Benedict Wootton Wawen", can be put in an envelope and popped in the box at the back of the church or given to Mary Mayo. For Bank BACS payments please contact Mary at pt.olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk.

You can contact me for any queries at netandsteve@gmail.com. Many thanks. Annette

Save the Date Christmas Fair. Saturday 30th November. Thank you.

Luxury Christmas Wreath Workshop. Lesley is Running workshops to make the most glorious of wreaths. Dates: 5th – 12- 16th December. 2.30 -5.30 pm or 6.30 – 9.00 pm Cost £45 per person. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Lesley on 07912623990 or email lesleyeharvey@yahoo.co.uk

St Mary's School Foundation Governor Vacancies: We are still seeking some more foundation Governors for our school to join the School's Local Governing Board. These posts are critical to the school as we start the new school year. The only requirement is that you are a practising catholic and can give up some time to support the school. Please get in touch with the school above or John Burke at jburke@gov.magnificat.org.uk. There are leaflets in the Church with more details.

Archdiocese of Birmingham Vision: *"Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour".*

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