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## Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### Eucharistic Adoration

Mon 9AM-7PM, Fri 6PM-7PM

& Sun 9AM-10AM

### Confessions

Fri 6PM, Sat 10AM & Sun 9:30AM



It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of our dear friend Father Brian Cuddihy IC RIP, former parish priest here at St. Marie's and of St. Patrick's in Newport. Fr Brian died on Saturday 5th October peacefully in Gentili House, aged 81. Over the coming days and weeks, I am sure there will be memories shared, along with gratitude for his various ministries since joining religious life in 1959 and being ordained in May 1971. Fr Brian will make his final journey on earth to the town and parish where he liked to call home, St Patrick's in Newport (NP19 0HS), his funeral will take place on Thursday 24th October with Requiem Mass at 11:30AM and Internment at St. Woolo's Cemetery (NP20 3PY) at 1:30PM. St. Patrick's also have live streaming for those unable to make the journey. The Rosminian family gratefully remembers Fr Brian and asks for you to join their prayers for him. May he rest in peace.

### Parish First Holy Communion Enrolment Meeting 2025

First Holy Communion **for children who do not attend St. Maries School** will have their enrolment meeting on **Wednesday 16th October at 5:45pm** in the Church. Apologies as last weeks newsletter said the 15th, but it will be this coming Wednesday, the meeting will be approx. an hour and both parents and candidates must attend.

### Blessing of the Graves

Family and Friends of those who are buried at Oscott and here at St Maries in our graveyard are invited to the Blessing of the Graves, a commemoration of the faithful departed and an opportunity to pray for the repose of their souls.

**St. Maries – Saturday, 02/11/2024 after 9:30am mass**

**Oscott Cemetery – Saturday, 02/11/2024 at 3:00 pm**

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| Sat 12th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>   | 09:30AM<br>18:00PM | All Souls in Purgatory<br>Colin Newton RIP                                  |
| Sun 13th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday<br/>in Ordinary Time</b>                        | 10:00AM<br>18.00PM | Bernadette Stundon (Thanksgiving)<br>Sr. Riana (Birthday)                   |
| Mon 14th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>   | 10.00AM<br>19:00PM | Fr. Gerry Murray (50th Ordination Celebration)<br>Fr Brain Cuddihy IC (RIP) |
| Tue 15th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus,<br/>Virgin, Doctor of the Church</b> | 10.00AM<br>19.00PM | Joseph Mascarenhas<br>Fr. Gerry Murray (50th Ordination Celebration)        |
| Wed 16th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>   | 10.00AM<br>19.00PM | Hugh Deery (RIP)<br>Fr. David (Birthday)                                    |
| Thurs 17th<br>Oct 2024 | <b>Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch,<br/>Bishop, Martyr</b>           | 10.00AM<br>19.00PM | Elizabeth Derry (RIP)<br>Alan Parish (Wellbeing)                            |
| Fri 18th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Feast of St Luke, Evangelist</b>                                     | 10.00AM<br>19.00PM | Charles Bedford<br>Maurice Stanley (RIP)                                    |
| Sat 19th<br>Oct 2024   | <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>   | 09:30AM<br>18:00PM | Joshua, Jonah & Francis<br>Michael Coyle                                    |

**This week's Gospel – Mark 10:17-30**  
**'Give everything you own to the poor, and follow me'**

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Fill us with your love so that we may rejoice.**

**Second Collection**

Next week there will be a second collection for Missio

Welcome to you all this weekend...the world's material distractions have existed for generations and continue to distract us. Why do material things so often distract us from living the way God intended? Jesus was aware of this and shows us the problem in action. The young man in today's Gospel reading is basically a good man who wishes to follow Jesus, but the lure of his material possessions is too great to ignore, let alone let go of. It's all well and good being wise once the opportunity has passed but being wise is what we always want and need to be. We should look at things around us with more objective eyes. It's a matter of what I need rather than what I desire! So, what is actual wisdom? According to Holy Scripture, knowing God's methods is exceedingly valuable. The man comes to Jesus to find out what he needs to do to receive eternal life. A wise question to ask. But he dislikes the answer! He sees in Jesus someone who can answer the question but cannot meet the challenge of the answer. Faith calls for us to see things through God's perspective, appreciating the gifts He gives us and using them to create His kingdom rather than our own. Despite the fact that He sends numerous people to direct and guide us in living wise lives, we don't always get the message. Yet, Jesus, the way, the truth and the life, is qualified above anyone else to encourage us in what is wise. As Peter asked 'To whom else can we go?'. It is up to us to make the sacrifices and overcome the challenges that acting on God's wisdom demands. We pray today for the gift of wisdom so that we may see and use those things and see in those people who are part of our lives, the means to live and share with all those around us real wisdom, and that wisdom comes into true focus when we start not from the things that distract us but from a true grip of the love God has for all people.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome this Sunday to the Ukrainian Community who will be having a Ukranian Mass in our parish at 2PM, Laskavo prosymo!

**Rosary for the month of October**

It has been truly encouraging to see parishioners from the young and old coming to Church in the evening and partaking and leading the Rosary, and then to see another ten or fifteen people joining in online from home. It is a beautiful thing, thank you. We are approaching halfway through the month and there are still a few dates available for families or friends to come together and lead the rosary so please do fill in those empty dates. The rosary is integral to the spiritual life of many Catholics in our countries and, if we deepen our understanding of the foundations of our rosary prayers, we can, in turn, deepen our devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. It is this simple prayer that Pope Francis encourages us to recite so let us bring back this tradition of praying the Rosary daily.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Teresa McGrath, Frances Jackson, Fr Brian Cuddihy IC, Marion Kahraman

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

Mary Massey, Katherine Arthur, Henry Supka, Norman Duffin, Patricia Dornan, John Smyth, Barbara Brodalka,  
Maria Lysenkiw, Henry Welton, Michael Maloney, Paul Simpson

**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, Johnny Stott, Alan Parish, Emariciana D'Souza

### Marriage & Family Life

The Sacrament of matrimony is also a vocation. Through the vows taken a man and woman are joined together in life. Marriage begins with a wedding service in the presence of God and the faith community and the couple continue to confer the sacrament on one another whenever they offer themselves in the service of the other and the larger community. Marriage is an ongoing sacrament there to strengthen the couple. There are upcoming dates for experiences/weekends for an opportunity to enrich and refresh relationships

Marriage Encounter Online – 19-20 October

Marriage Encounter weekend in Rugby – 29 Nov-1 Dec

Please visit [www.wwme.org.uk](http://www.wwme.org.uk) for more info.

If your marriage needs refocusing you can also contact [www.retrouville.org.uk](http://www.retrouville.org.uk) who have online dates coming up.

### Parish Christmas Fair – 23rd & 24th Nov Christmas Hamper Raffle

If you would like to donate food or drinks towards making the Christmas Hampers, there is a box in the porch, thank you.

#### UCM Bottle in a bag

The UCM are collecting donations of bottled goods for their stall, these can be bottles of any variety. We kindly request any new or used/ unwanted bottle bags. Thank you.

#### aMAYzing value Stall

Is looking for donations of perfume (new and used with boxes if you have them), jewellery, (even broken gold and silver or even if just an odd earring, the stall can make good use of it) thanks very much for your continuing support

#### New Stalls

If anyone would like a stall at the Christmas Market there is place to add you on the Sunday which is 11AM - 1PM, so please do get in touch and let us know...

### New Lectionary

Thank you to a recent generous donation towards the new lectionaries. Thanks to all the donators who have now covered the costs of the new lectionaries for the parish.  
God Bless you and thank you.

### Bishop Richard Walker

Bishop Richard Walker, will be discussing the future of the Coventry&Nuneaton deanery. For those who are interested in our neighbouring deanery open meetings with Bishop Richard will take place at the following locations and dates:

#### Our Lady of the Angels, Nuneaton

Wednesday 16 October at 7pm

#### Christ the King, Coventry

Thursday 17 October at 7pm

### Modern Slavery Webinar

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, in partnership with St Mary's University and Caritas Social Action Network, will be hosting a webinar on Modern Slavery. The seminar will discuss answers to the question: "what can we do to ensure freedom for all, right here where we live?" This will be held on Tuesday 15 October, 1pm - 2pm.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There is adoration every Monday 9AM - 7PM & on Fridays 6PM - 7PM

You are all invited to come and spend time in the presence of the Lord; if you would like to dedicate one hour of your time to the Lord, please sign your name on the form at the back of church.

*The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth." St.Teresa of Calcutta*

### Baby Loss Remembrance Service

During the Baby Loss Awareness week, a remembrance service for those who have suffered loss of a baby will be held on 15th October 6:30 pm at St. Georges Church, St. Johns Avenue, Rugby, CV21 5HR

### RCIA

If you know of anyone thinking of joining the Catholic faith or would like to know more information or return to the faith then let them know to get in touch as we move closer to starting the course. The Catholic RCIA stages are a good model of basic faith development. A number of people have expressed an interest in pursuing the Catholic faith. Everybody is welcome or maybe you would like to refresh your faith.

#### What is the RCIA?

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), is a process of initiation into the Catholic Community of Faith for persons who are experiencing a conversion in their lives and seeking either Christian baptism in the Catholic Church or full Communion with the Catholic tradition of Eucharist and Confirmation. It is a journey which enables the study of the Gospels, Catholic Christian teaching, the acceptance of Christian values and morality, the development and deepening of a life of prayer and action with the support and involvement of the local Christian community. The RCIA is more than a course of instruction. It is a process of conversion, designed to meet the unique and individual needs of the participants.

If you would like to join in with the RCIA please introduce yourself after Mass or take an information card and form to fill out from the back of Church. Thank you, Fr Aji

### Christ the King All Night Adoration

Over the past year Christ The King have established the practice of monthly all night adoration. It is a beautiful time of silent prayer in church. This is linked to the First Friday and First Saturdays devotion. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 7:30pm on the First Friday of each month until 7am on Saturday mornings should you wish to attend at the beginning of November. Access is via the carpark side door. Christ the King Church,  
14 Westhill Road, Coundon, CV6 2AA

### Safeguarding from the Archdiocese Office

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mike Borg & Anne Ormsby. They can be contacted at [sg.stmaries.rugby@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmaries.rugby@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.



# PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF FATIMA PARISH VISITATION

The Visitation last Sunday evening and Monday, which was the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary was a wonderful occasion and a very dignified celebration for the parish. It was encouraging to see so many in the Church and the atmosphere was one of deep devotion which carried on into the Monday and I think it uplifted all of us who attended. Monday morning saw Our Lady of Fatima with the Relics of the Saints visit our elderly community in Gentili House and then on to both the Infants and Junior school where our young children were able to ask questions and learn of the story of Our Lady of Fatima. We would sincerely like to thank Patrick and Donal who brought Our Lady and gave a very informative day of devotion on the Monday and to Canon Gerry Murray who celebrated Mass with us. As the day came to a conclusion it was again uplifting to see the devotion towards Our Lady and the relics of the Saints as school children and parents rushed in from finishing school and work for the conclusion of the visitation. Thank you to all those involved in making our Church look beautiful with all the flowers, it was a very fitting setting for the visitation and to you the parishioners for bringing family and friends and deepening your devotion. We very kindly have been donated by the World Apostolate of Fatima a statue to encourage saying the Rosary in our homes and the First Five Saturdays. We will keep you informed on how we will plan to do this going forward, so that the statue can visit your homes for a week before moving on to another family.



## Five First Saturdays

The Five First Saturdays devotion, first revealed by Our Lady at Fatima on 13 July 1917, was requested on 10 December 1925, when the Blessed Virgin, appeared again to Sr. Lucia, together with the Child Jesus, who said: **"Have compassion on the Heart of your Most Holy Mother, covered with thorns, with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment, and there is no one to make an act of reparation to remove them."**

### The Great Promise of Our Lady

"I promise to assist at the hour of death all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."



- What does Our Lady ask all of us to do?
- Go to confession – this can be up to 8 days before or after the First Saturday itself.
- Receive Holy Communion - on the day itself, in a state of grace, with the intention of making reparation as above.
- Recite five decades of the Rosary.
- Meditate on the mysteries of the Rosary for 15 minutes: this is not difficult, e.g. slowly read the Gospel account of the mysteries, or use a booklet on the Rosary.

*Each part of the devotion should be made with the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months.*



For more details about the Five First Saturdays devotion, or the Message of Fatima generally, please contact:  
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