

# PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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27<sup>th</sup> September 2015

26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

(18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST)

## TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

<b>SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER (VIGIL)</b>	6.00pm (Sat.)	Mass – <i>Int. People of the parish</i>
	8.00am	Low Mass in Extraordinary Form
	10.00am	Mass – <i>Int. Hilda O'Donnell, RIP – Anni.</i>
Monday <i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday <i>SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL &amp; RAPHAEL</i>	3.00pm*	Mass
Wednesday <i>St Jerome</i>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Thursday <i>St Teresa of the Child Jesus</i>	6.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
	7.00pm	Mass
Friday <i>Holy Guardian Angels</i>	9.00am	Mass – <i>Int. Phoebe Gatley, RIP</i>
Saturday <i>St Thomas de Cantelupe</i>	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
<b>SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCT. – 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN OT</b>	6.00pm (Sat.)	Mass – <i>Int. People of the parish</i>
<b>19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>	8.00am	Low Mass in Extraordinary Form
<b>27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	10.00am	Mass

*Parish Centenary Candles* – To mark the 100 years of our church building, are available together with candles featuring **our church's stained glass window of the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour** priced at £2.50 each.

## WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Krakow for World Youth Day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 and we welcome those in the diocese aged 16 – 30 years old (16 by the date of travel). For a booking form or further information please contact Fiona at [fiona@nymo.org](mailto:fiona@nymo.org) or call 01582 720627 or see [www.nymo.org](http://www.nymo.org)



## Money Matters

**Last week's Offertory Collection** - £224.42  
**Second Collection** to support the work of Evangelisation in England and Wales - £176.70

**NEXT WEEK – SECOND COLLECTION**  
**for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day**  
**PLEASE TAKE AN ENVELOPE!**

*Many thanks for your generosity.*

**Gift Aid Declarations Forms and Offertory**

## Are you new to the parish?

*If so, you are very welcome!*

*Do introduce yourself to Father Andy after Mass, and please complete a parish registration form.*



Tea, coffee and cold drinks are served in The Guild Room after both of our Sunday Masses.  
*All are welcome!*

**Infant Baptism and Marriage.** By appointment with Fr Andy after completing the necessary preparation. **The Church requires** notice of at least six months prior to the Sacrament of Matrimony being celebrated.

During the summer, the crumbling boundary wall along Amersham Road was repaired, mature trees were trimmed to help to keep our church grounds safe, and new gates were fitted in the parish grounds to replace those that have suffered the ravages of time. Slowly, we repairing and upgrading the surroundings of our church site.

The **September 2015** edition of **The Vine**, the **Northampton Diocesan Newspaper** is available. Please take a copy home. It is free of charge!

We have a wide selection of **Catholic newspapers available** in the porch, including The Universe (£1.30), Catholic Times (£1.30), The Herald (£2.00), The Table (£3.00) and Mass of Ages (Free).

## Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist – Formation Course

**Mondays 28<sup>th</sup> September and 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015**  
**7.30pm in the Guild Room**

These evenings are for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who presently serve in Our Lady's parish, and those who Fr Andy has asked to consider taking up this ministry as well others who are interested discover more about the Church's teaching on ministry and the Eucharist.

## ABOUT LITURGY

**Penitential Act:** If we could go back in time and be present at a Mass celebrated during the first few centuries of the church (say, up until Charlemagne during the ninth century), one of the things that would strike us is that the Mass had much more lengthy intercessory prayer than it has today. In these earlier periods the beginning of the Mass included an extended list of petitions which culminated in the collect. The collect "collected together" in a general formula all the prayers that had just been prayed.

In these earlier centuries the *Kyrie* (Lord, have mercy) belonged to the genre of intercessory prayer. It was used at the hours of the Divine Office as well as at Mass. At this time the "Lord, have mercy" was a response to the petitions (called "tropes") that were most often presented in the form of a litany; the list of petitions would vary, of course, but usually included prayers for the whole church, clergy, rulers, the people, the sick, benefactors, the poor and, peace. Eventually in some churches the *Kyrie* stood alone and was simply repeated a number of times – anywhere from three to forty!

Another development is that the tropes became an embellishment of the invocation (Lord or Christ). It is this latter form that is used in the models in *The Roman Missal, Third Edition*. The *Kyrie* litany "is a chant by which the faithful acclaim the Lord and implore his mercy" (GIRM no. 52). The important point to remember is that the beginning of Mass is a time for prayer. This is the time when we dispose ourselves toward God so that God's actions can take root in us and change us, so that our behaviours are more consistent with the vision and values of Jesus.

**The memorial tablet** for Sec. Lieut. Arthur George Evelyn Bouchier has been removed for restoration work. During November, the month when the Church traditionally remembers her dead we hope to have a Memorial Mass for both of the soldiers from the Great War commemorated in our church.

**31<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL ROSARY CRUSADE OF REPARATION – SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**  
Procession with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima praying the Rosary en-route. 1.45pm - Assemble outside Westminster Cathedral Procession to Brompton Oratory, London SW7. See poster and leaflets (in the porch) for more details.

**APF – MILL HILL Red Boxes** If you are a Red Box holder please bring your full box to church. The contents will be counted, banked by our local secretary, Greta Jeffreys. If you would like to become a Red Box holder, please speak to Greta or Fr Andy. Copies of Autumn 2015 edition of **Mission TODAY** available.

## Lectionary for Mass

**First Reading:** God bestowed the spirit on the elders, and they prophesied as a result. Only God could choose to give or to withhold the spirit. Moses, more aware than others that the spirit was a free gift that did not cling to status. He not only affirmed the liberty and unpredictability of God's activity, but wished that everyone would be so gifted.

**Responsorial Psalm 18** has three focal points: creation's testimony to God's goodness, the beauty of God's law, and human desire to serve God well. The psalmist admits that no one, no matter how faithful or vigilant, can be perfect. Our only recourse is to turn to God, who will cleanse and guide us.

**Second Reading:** James writes in the context of the impending end of the world. He warns the rich that they have stored up treasures for the last days, but the end times that are coming will reverse all their hopes. That which they could have spent on others will not only be rusted, but the money will actually testify against them.

**Gospel:** Jesus wastes no time in refocusing the disciples' priorities. If someone performed a mighty deed in Jesus' name, that was a sign of the person's solidarity with Jesus and his ministry. The disciples believe that Jesus is acting with the power of the Spirit of God; therefore, they should recognise that anyone who does the kind of works he does is also graced with power from that same Spirit.

## CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY FRIDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2015

Your support and donations this Harvest Fast Day will enable CAFOD's partners to work with people across the world to have access to tools and training, and empower them to become self-sufficient despite living in the most difficult of conditions. Additionally, your donations this Fast Day will be used to fund our partners work in Europe and the Middle East to support those affected by the refugee crisis.

**ST THERSE OF LISIEUX FEAST DAY – THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER**  
There will be a special Mass in St Joseph's (SL9 8RY) at 7.30pm to celebrate this Carmelite Feast Day. Fr John Udris, former parish priest of St Teresa's in Beaconsfield, an expert on St Therese, has been invited to the principal celebrant and homilist to inspire us. Light refreshments will be served after the Mass.

## FAMILY REFLECTION DAY – SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER St Anne's Church, Wendover (HP22 6JG)

This day, to coincide with the Synod on the Family, is suitable for all ages, from great grandmas to babies, as part of Proclaim'15. Begins with Mass at 1pm until 5pm. More details: (01494) 865965

## FEAST OF SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS – TUESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015

Mass will be celebrated at 3.00pm with the Sacrament of the Anointing with the Oil of the Sick followed by Tea.