



11th September 2016

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

17TH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Saturday 24 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Vigil)	6.00pm	Mass – Int. People of the Parish
Sunday 17 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass
Monday The Most Holy Name of Mary	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday St John Chrysostom	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday TRIUMPH OF THE HOLY CROSS	NO MASS	
Thursday Our Lady of Sorrows	6.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
	7.00pm	Mass
Friday SS Cornelius & Cyprian	9.00am	Mass
Saturday Feria	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11am	Confessions
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Vigil)	6.00pm	Mass – Int. People of the parish
18 TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH OUR CHILDREN

During 10am Mass, we invite our younger children (approx. aged 3 to 7) to attend their own Liturgy of the Word in the Guild Room. Children will leave the body of the Church after the Collect and return during the Preparation of the Gifts. **Parents are encouraged to join their children.** We welcome more help from those who seek to be leaders and support in this ministry to the children of our parish.

“CATHOLIC? GOING TO UNIVERSITY THIS YEAR?”

Make sure you look out for your Catholic Chaplaincy... Most of our Universities and Higher Education Institutions have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the university or the local parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. To find your local Chaplaincy, and for contact details of all the University Chaplains and Catholic Student Societies, visit the “CathChaps” website at: www.cathchaps.co.uk



Money Matters

Last Week's Offertory Collection - £ 230.64

Second Collection – Racial Justice - £124.92

NEXT WEEK – Second Collection
Home Mission Sunday

SEPTEMBER 2016 edition of The Vine

The Diocese of Northampton newspaper is now available. **It's free of charge!**

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.

WELECOME!

Today during 10am Mass we welcome and baptise

**NELL AMELIE
CEGLOWSKA**

We support her parents, Monika and Przemyslaw and her godparents in handing on the teachings and practice of our Faith.

About Liturgy

God's prodigality in liturgy: There can be no more concrete expression of God's lavish mercy and love for us than in the celebration of liturgy's sacred mysteries, especially the Eucharist. God's prodigality takes many special symbolic forms during Mass. Here are some examples:

1. *Gifts for the poor.* It is always acceptable and to be encouraged to bring gifts for the poor to be offered along with the bread and wine. These food staples and monetary gifts are concrete expressions of the solidarity we have in the Body of Christ with all others as well as a concrete way that we can share God's lavish gifts to us with others who are less fortunate.
2. *Intercessions.* Always at Mass there are a number of instances where we are invited to pray for others – after the “Let us pray” invitations, during the universal prayer (prayer of the faithful), at the prayers for the living and dead during the Eucharistic prayer, during the Our Father, in the quiet mediation time after Communion (just to name but a few of the obvious and communal times for intercessory prayer). Our prayer for each other is an aspect of discipleship and one way we express the worth of all others.
3. *Sign of peace.* The sign of peace is an embrace given in compassion and love. GIRM 82 specifies that the sign of peace is offered to those nearby. It doesn't say to family members and friends, but to those nearby. We don't judge whether the person sinner or saint, wealthy or poor, lost or found – we simply offer this gift of peace because God has first given it to us. The dignity of the sign indicates the dignity of both the giver and receiver.
4. *Communion.* God invites us to the messianic banquet where we rejoice and feast on the very Body and Blood of God's only-begotten Son. There is no discrimination in how the procession is formed and who may come; indeed, ministers are not to judge who may receive Holy Communion but simply offer it to all those who come. Especially important is the sign of the one bread and the one cup, for in the Body of Christ we all bellowed in God's eyes.

APF Red Box / Missio

The autumn edition of the Mission Today magazine is available in the porch. They are available for those who are interested.

CAFOD Event – All welcome!

You are very warmly invited to join us to hear about CAFOD's work (focusing on Bolivia) and how your support has helped.

Saturday 17th September - St Teresa's Parish Hall, 40 Warwick Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 2PL or **Saturday 24th September** - Ss Francis & Therese, Overslade Close, East Hunsbury, Northampton NN4 0RZ

Coffee/tea from 10am, session from: **10:30am-1.30pm** followed by a shared lunch. See poster for details or get in touch on 01844 274 723 / northampton@cafod.org.uk Do bring a friend along!

Compass

The Compass Youth Club launched last Thursday 8th September. With an evening of fun planned to kick off the new youth group in style. If you are aged 8 to 10, then come to Our Lady's School for a 6 O'Clock start and come at 7:30 if you are aged 11 to 18. Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Check out compassyouth.club for details. *The Compass Team.*

Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: The narrator of Exodus reports a dramatic conversation between God and Moses. God is displeased with the infidelity of the “headstrong” people and intends to bring punishment upon them. God sends Moses to make such an announcement. But Moses implores God to remember that they are “your own people” and reminds God of his promise to make the people a great nation. God listens to Moses and relents.

Responsorial Psalm 50 is a petition for mercy from the Lord. The psalmist begs for reprieve from sin and guilt and professes belief in the compassion of God. In fact the psalmist pleads for transformation: “A pure heart create for me, O God.” This transformation will lead the psalmist to once again praise God and his contrite spirit will be a willing sacrifice to God.

Second Reading: Paul's autobiographical account to Timothy recalls his time of persecution of the followers of Christ. But Paul gives thanks to the Lord for sending him the grace to change his life. He now believes that Christ came into the world to save sinners and he humbly counts himself as one of them. He then expresses gratitude that Christ Jesus considers him a trustworthy Apostle.

Gospel: Chapter 15 of Luke's account recounts three of the most familiar parables of Jesus. The lost sheep, the lost coin, and the Prodigal son. Attest to the mercy of God. Each notes the joy of the shepherd, the woman, and the father when the sheep, the coin, and the son have been found. The compassion of God is personified in the actions of the shepherd, the woman, and the father who seek out the lost.

YEAR OF MERCY

As we come to the closing months of the Year of Mercy there is a simple leaflet about the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. There is a relevant passage from *Misericordiae Vultus* where Pope Francis invites us to put them into practice. The spaces provided allow people to record how they have tried to meet the hope of the Holy Father to live out the mercy of God

St Scholastica's Retreat

Open Day – Saturday, 17th September 2016

The Retreat offers sheltered housing to practising Catholics aged 60 or over in 36 self-contained flats at £401pcm – more information on the poster and from The Warden:

Rev Seán Duffy – Princes Risborough (01844) 344437.

Email: info@stscholasticas.co.uk www.stscholasticas.co.uk

CHESHAM BOIS CATHOLIC PLAYERS

Time to dust off those ruby slippers and find your inner lion ... launch and auditions for 'The Wizard of Oz' (to be performed at The Elgiva 19th-22nd January) – Auditions Sunday 11th Sept 2pm onwards all at the Little Theatre by the Park, Church Street, Chesham. Full info and an audition pack can be obtained by emailing wozcbcp@hotmail.com or see poster.