

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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15th July 2018

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

8TH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

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TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

8th Sunday after Pentecost

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Tuesday Feria

Wednesday St Edburga of Bicester

Thursday Feria

Friday Feria

Saturday Feria

SUNDAY 22nd July 9th Sunday after Pentecost

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.00am

Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)

10.00am

Mass – Int. Bert & Frances Mendes, RIP

9.30am

Mass – Int. Special Intention

9.00am*

Mass – Int. Victor Thanqarajah, RIP

NO MASS

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

6.00pm

Mass

7.00pm

Mass

9.00am

Mass

9.30am

Mass

10.15am – 11.00am

Confessions

1.00pm

Marriage of Anna Roll and Anthony Jaycocks

8.00am

Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)

10.00am

Mass – Int. People of the parish

Last week was Sea Sunday, when the Church prayed for all those

who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. **The second collection was for the Apostleship of the Sea (AoS)**, the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This collection is vital to enable it to continue its work. The collection raised £174.32 thank you and please remember seafarers in your prayers. To donate online please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Diocesan Vacancy. We are currently recruiting for a **Marriage and Family Life Project Worker (15 hours per week – 2 year fixed term contract)** to develop Catholic Preparation in the diocese. The closing date for applications will be Monday 16th July 2018. For further details of this vacancy, please visit www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies or call 01604 714840.

G. K. CHESTERTON Bishop Peter Doyle has asked Canon John Udris to investigate if the cause for beatification of G. K. Chesterton should be opened. Canon John Udris hopes to send his final report to our Bishop shortly. If you say the G. K. Chesterton prayer or if Chesterton has influenced your life at all, please email Canon Udris at chesterton@oscott.org. There are prayer cards available in the porch. If you would like to see the prayer in any of the other languages please go to the printable prayer card page of the website www.catholicgkchestertonsociety.co.uk



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.

Money Matters

Last Sunday's Offertory Collection – £246.49

APOSTLESHP OF THE SEA – £174.32

Thank you for your generosity

If you would like to support the parish through Offertory Envelopes or directly from your bank, speak to Fr Andy.

The JULY 2018 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.



NYMO Summer Camp 2018 – Sunday 29th July to Thursday 2nd August 2018. Alton Castle, Alton, Staffordshire. Actual cost is £265. Participants are asked to pay what they can afford between £195 discounted minimum and the actual cost. Coach travel from Slough and Northampton for this 5 day camp for 11-18 year old's includes a day at Alton Towers, daily Mass and Reconciliation, outdoor activities: archery, hiking, biking, climbing, sports, challenges and much more. Not a minute is wasted! Contact info@nymo.org or call 01582 720627 for more info and to book.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE Holy Family Parish, Langley, Slough, are organising a Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 21st to 28th September 2018 by British Airways to Split. Price £560/- half Board. There are only 25 places available. Contact **Matthew Fernandes** on 07958 666067 or **Myo** at **St. Peter's Pilgrimages** on 0208 947 6369.

Connections to Church Teaching and Tradition

In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis points out that the Gospel is not about our personal relationship with God or about performing a series of charitable acts but about "loving God who reigns in our world. To the extent that he reigns within us, the life of society will be a setting for universal fraternity, justice, peace and dignity." Pope Francis points out "Jesus' mission is to inaugurate the kingdom of his Father: he commands his disciples to proclaim the good news that 'the kingdom of heaven is at hand' (Matthew 10:7)" (180).

Just as Jesus sent his followers to preach and to heal, Christians today must continue to pass on the faith. *Dei Verbum*, the Dogmatic Constitution of Divine Revelation, states "God has seen to it that what He had revealed for the salvation of all nations would abide perpetually in its full integrity and be handed on to all generations. Therefore Christ the Lord in whom the full revelation of the supreme God is brought to completion (see *Corinthians* 1:20; 3:13; 4:6), commissioned the Apostles to preach to all men that Gospel which is the source of all saving truth and moral teaching, and to impart to them heavenly gifts."

Lectionary for Mass

For today and the following six Sundays, we read from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, whose theme is captured by these words: "In the Church Christ fulfils and reveals his own mystery as the purpose of God's plan: 'to unite all things in Christ'" (1:10; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 772). Today's reading from Ephesians (1:3-14) presents a beautiful hymn praising God the Father who has chosen us in Christ and blessed us in the Spirit "with all the spiritual blessings" from all eternity.

In the First Reading (Amos 7:12-15), God calls Amos from his ordinary life as a "shepherd and look[ing] after sycamores" to become a prophet carrying God's Word to God's people. Amos' task is to challenge the people to repent and return to their covenant relationship.

In today's Gospel (Mark 6:7-13), Jesus sends out the Apostles in pairs to share in his ministry of preaching and healing. Called to "preach repentance," they have no visible means of support, but God's grace was with them as they "cast out many devils and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them." This is the first of two places in the New Testament where healing occurs in relation to anointing with oil. The Letter of James shows the early Church anointing Jesus' instruction to heal those who are sick: "Are there any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord" (James 5:13).

Today the Church continues this instruction in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Just as were the prophet Amos and the Apostles, we have been chosen to be the Son's co-workers in continuing God's plan of bringing healing and grace to a broken world.

Liturgy and Life

(1) Do you ever consider that there are unlike prophets in your midst?

NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE

Shrine of Our Lady, in Walsingham – Sunday 22nd July

Celebrating St Joachim & St Anne, Grandparents of Jesus
A Day of Faith & Fun for all the Family – Bring a Picnic Lunch

www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

GREAT FUN AT YOUTH FEST '18: Our first ever Youth Fest was a great success on Saturday 16th June. 40 young people – aged 10 to 18 – participated in this free event organised by the parishes of Chesham Bois, Chesham, Gerrards Cross, Great Missenden and Little Chalfont. Every parish was represented and competed during the afternoon to win the Youth Cup. Plenty of games, such as rounders, sack race, tug of war, were organised in the field behind Our Lady's Church. St Columba's/Immaculate Heart of Mary finally won the Cup, but each parish won at least one of the games. St Joseph's won the Rounders and the 'Penalties against the Priests' and only narrowly missed out on winning the Cup. A BBQ helped the competitors to keep up their strength and a live band played throughout the three hour event. Many thanks to all the organisers and helpers who made this event such a success.