

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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5th August 2018

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

11th SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

11th Sunday after Pentecost	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass – Int. Leyla Pulis, RIP, Anni
Monday TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday <i>St Dominic</i>	NO MASS	
Thursday ST BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS	NO MASS	
Friday ST LAWRENCE	NO MASS	
Saturday <i>St Clare</i>	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
SUNDAY 12th August 12th Sunday after Pentecost	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass – Int. Dennis Sylvester, RIP

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. **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.



Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation

A Retreat based on the Book of Ruth: **“Your God will be my God.”**

Saturday 20 October 2018 10.30am arrivals for 11am – 4pm.

The Bridgettine Guesthouse Fulmer Common Road Iver Heath Bucks SL0 0NR
Cost £30 per person includes lunch. Please book Tel. 01582 723312 or email admin@nores.org.uk. For more details see poster.

Connections to Church Teaching and Tradition

Jesus tells the Apostles, “For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” When the Eucharist is received, Christ, who brings light and life to the world, is given in the form of bread. The person who partakes of the Eucharist is offered eternal life and is to act as the Body of Christ in the world, bringing others to Christ. As they go out in mission to the world, they are to die to themselves to rise in the life that Christ brings. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, then, teaches that the “Eucharist is the sacrament of passing over from death to life, from this world to the Father (1524) and that the Eucharist is “the sum and summary of our faith” (1327). When people partake of the Eucharist, they become one with the whole Body of Christ, those in heaven and on earth. The *Catechism* explains that the Eucharist enables us to participate in the divine life that unites the people of God (1325).

LORETO SISTERS’ ALBANIA MISSION

Dear Father Andy and Parishioners,
Thank you so much for your generous donation towards our Mission in Albania. In June we got the great news that Sister Imelda had been awarded the MBE, in the Queen's Birthday Honours list. She has accepted it in the name of all who are fighting the trafficking of human beings. That includes all of you. Thank you once again. God bless you all. Kind regards,
Jacinta Davenport IBVM.

SHARE THE JOURNEY

On **Sunday 19 August 2018** in response to Pope Francis’ call to “Share the Journey” you are invited to join other members of our parishes in the Pastoral Area on a walk in solidarity with refugees and migrants. The walk will begin and end at **St Aidan’s, Little Chalfont, starting at 2:30pm**. At the end of the walk will be a short service followed by a barbecue. Please make a date in your diaries! You must have a ticket and these are available now. Do come along. All are welcome.

Lectionary for Mass

The people of Israel show in the First Reading how difficult it was for them to allow God to lead them on their journey from slavery to the Promised Land. They complain and long for the old days as “we sat down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart’s content” in Egypt. How easily they forgot what the Lord had done for them! Despite their ingratitude, God never abandoned them. Instead, God gave them manna, “bread from heaven,” as the Responsorial Psalm says.

The Gospel continues John’s narrative, setting the stage for a discourse in which Jesus explains the symbolism and significance of the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand.

He challenges his hearers about their motivations. They followed him because they focused on the material gift he had given them - namely, bread to eat. Instead, Jesus focuses on the deeper spiritual meaning they should seek, “the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.” When they point to the gift of manna their ancestors ate in the desert, Jesus reminds them that it was not Moses who gave them manna, but the Father who “gives you the true bread from heaven.” When Jesus says “I am the bread of life,” he shows how the manna in the desert foreshadowed his coming “I am” is a way Jesus identifies himself with God, claiming his divinity. He speaks in the manner of God in the Old Testament where “I am” is God’s name (Exodus 3:14). As “the bread of life,” Jesus is the one who gives bread that is eternal life. Real hunger can only be satisfied through a personal relationship with Jesus.

Liturgy and Life

- (1) When has God given you something that you have later grumbled about? (2) Which things that will perish divert your attention from what brings eternal

The Irish Jesuits offer a daily prayer website known as Sacred Space: www.sacredspace.ie. Why not pay it a visit sometime this week?

Animations bring the messages of *The Joy of Love* to life!

A new series of digital animations, believed to be the first created using *Amoris Laetitia* as a guiding theme, has been created as part of the ongoing preparations for World Meeting of Families 2018 in Dublin.

The *Amoris* Animations provide accessible insights and reflections on the messages in *Amoris Laetitia* (*The Joy of Love*), written by Pope Francis on love in the family. Six short, engaging and shareable cartoons focus on the following themes: **How families can transform the world; Love and Mercy; Families living as a reflection of the Trinity; Love and imperfection; Families and consumerism; Families living in a digital age.** The *Amoris* Animations are available in English, Italian, Spanish and French and can be viewed at www.amoris.ie/animations/

Money Matters

Last Sunday’s Offertory Collection – £121.01

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 AUGUST 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.



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.

Divine Mercy Apostolate run by Marian Fathers is organising the **DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE**

MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY 27th August 2018 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Aylesford Priory at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Aylesford Kent ME20 7BX

led by Bishop Patrick Lynch SS CC and Marian Father

More info: Divine Mercy Apostolate – Marian Fathers 1 Courtfield Gardens, London W13 0EY Tel 0208 998 0925

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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.**