

NEWS AND VIEWS

Today is World Mission Sunday: It is being celebrated in every Catholic parish around the world today! It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries around the world build peace and share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. Please give whatever you have at the end of the Mass, you can also visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a direct debit and GiftAid your donations. mission.org.uk

First Holy Communion 2021/2022 diary dates: Nov. 14th, 28th, Dec. 5th, 19th, Jan. 9th at 10.15am. Please enter through the parish car park.

Holy Souls: Tuesday the 2nd of Nov. will be the commemoration of the Holy Souls. People can write down names of their departed and put into an envelope. Names previously written need not be repeated.

Home tutoring: Michael Kelly is available for home tuition services to parishioners. He has worked with primary school age children for 33 years, and has experience with children who have English as an additional language. He has a Masters degree in Education and Creative Writing. He can also prepare children for the 11 plus exam. Michael can work from his home in N19 or travel. Contact details at the Parish office.

100 Club: subscriptions for the November draw are due in at church by the weekend of 30th/31st October or at the presbytery by Wednesday 3rd November. The draw takes place on Friday 5th November after the Zoom parish quiz.. **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

Calling On All Young-Adult Catholics If you are between the ages of 18-35 or a little more, **join us every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the St Gabriel's meeting room.** There will be the chance to meet other young Catholics, pray together and grow in our faith. There will be refreshments available. If you would like to know more, contact John and his wife Alessandra Knight on john.knight@rcm.ac.uk or on 07512781274.

Health and Safety: As we continue to keep safe and well in this Covid era, please put on your mask while in church, also sanitize on your way in and out of church. Keep your social distance, but most importantly stay at home if you feel unwell, we will keep you in our prayers. **If you have to receive communion by tongue, please endeavour to be the last person.**

Food Donations: Thank you to those who have responded already. We are still taking in food items for our friends at the door, such as biscuits, soups, fizzy drinks, tea & coffee, sardines, pot noodles and any food on the go. We will appreciate this donations. Thank you and God bless.

Contactless Giving: The card/contactless giving is available to help make our offertory collection safer. It will not replace the other means of giving but is considered a safer alternative. Please find the unit by the left as you exit the Church. Thank you.

Parish Safeguarding Team: We thank Joan and Tracy for their generosity of spirit in accepting to serve us in this very critical role. All who work with minors and the vulnerable in our Parish including those who visit the sick and the housebound should please work with the Safeguarding Officers to ensure that they are DBS-checked before the end of October.

Christian Stewardship: (17th October 2021)
Envelopes: £186 **Loose:** £353.16. **Contactless:** £39.34. We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.

October Diary
Monday 25th 7pm & 7.30pm: **Fr David's Meeting with Eucharistic Ministers & Legion Of Mary**
Thursday 28th 7pm: **Baptism meeting with parents and godparents**
Friday 29th 7pm: **Fr David's Meeting with Ministers Of the Word(Lay Readers)**
Saturday 30th 12noon: **Baptism follows immediately after the Mass**
Sunday 31st: **A reminder that the clocks go back on Sunday 31st October**

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We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration

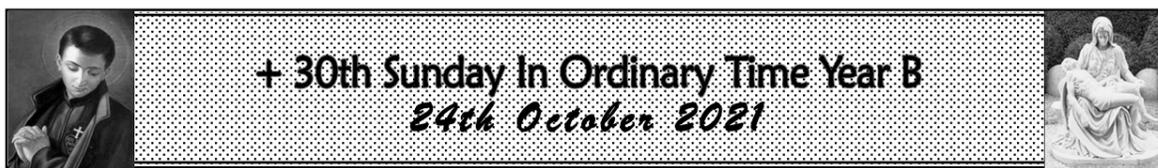


As little Johnny waited for the bus, he was asked to tell the driver he is 4 years old because he will ride for free. As they got into the bus the driver asks Johnny how old he was. "I am 4 years old". "And when will you be six years old?" asked the driver. "When I get off the bus" answered Johnny.

We wish our boys & girls a lovely half term break.



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We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

The readings today invite us to place our faith and hope in Christ, our high priest. As our high priest and mediator, Christ opens our eyes to see the marvels that He has and still do for us. Today's gospel, has a lot to teach us. We see the blind and poor Bartimaeus yearning for healing and liberation. He will not let this opportunity pass him by. So, like a drowning man, he cries out for help: "Jesus, Son of David have pity on me!" The blind Bartimaeus represents our collective human situation that is constantly yearning for healing and liberation from weakness, sickness, loneliness, poverty and sin. Our blindness might not necessarily be the physical loss of vision. However, it could be whatever that limits and prevents us from reaching, or maximizing our potentials in life. To be free from these limitations, first, we must humbly acknowledge that they exist. Second, it is interesting to note that, Bartimaeus did not believe because he was cured. Rather, he was cured because he believed. There is a simple saying that: "If you are not tired of praying, God is not tired of listening to you." The good news today is that, Christ our high priest is always ready to hear, heal and liberate us from whatever is limiting us in life. He wants us to see again. To see again, is to have a living faith in Christ, our high priest who mediates for us before the Father. However, like the blind Bartimaeus, we must humbly call out to him: "Jesus, Son of David have pity on me... Lord that I may see." Also, like Bartimaeus, neither the crowd, nor pride can stop us from reaching Christ. As the psalmist tells us: "The poor man called and the Lord heard him" (Ps 36, 4). Finally, if we sincerely call on Christ our high priest in faith, He will surely hear us: "For, whoever calls on the name of the Lord, shall be saved" (Rom 10, 13). So, today filled with hope, let us sing: "What marvels the Lord has worked for us! Indeed, we were glad."

- Mass Times & Intentions 24th – 30th October 2021**
- Sat 23rd Vigil Mass 6:30pm:** Alan Mullee (RIP), Margaret Kinsella (ANN), Mullee family (INT)
 - Sun 24th 9:00am:** Michael Kenny, Alan Mullee, Oliver Connell, Mark Hailes (month's mind), Marion Pitney (RIP), Louis Coelho (INT)
 - 11:30am:** Alan Mullee (RIP), Nanny Franks (1st) (ANN), Jacinta Lobo, Edith Okoro (INT)
 - 6:30pm:** Philip & Tunu, Ekanem & Uche, Amy & Larry, Udoh family, Essien-Oku Family (INT)
 - Mon 25th 12 noon:** Pietro Piroli, Carlo Avanzi, Tommy Duggan (RIP), Tony Mallindine (ANN), Russell family (INT)
 - Tue 26th Sts Chad & Cedd 12 noon:** Cissie Russell, Hugh Munro (RIP)
 - Wed 27th 12 noon:** Marguerite Brett, Christine Warren (ANN)
 - Thur 28th Sts Simon & Jude 12 noon:** Josephine Talbot (ANN)
 - Fri 29th Blessed Martyrs of Douai College 12 noon:** Carlo Avanzi, Pietro Piroli (RIP), Joan Allen (ANN)
 - Sat 30th 12 noon:** Families For This Month's Baptism (INT)

Please Pray For:

Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Geraldine McKeane, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Fr. Aodh, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Giuseppe Zanre, Joan McGonigal

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit
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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am
Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays (New time) 12noon Legion of Mary: First Wed. 6.30pm Monday
Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm
Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen**

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of the earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 125)

**R. What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.**

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them?'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing;
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Look, we pray O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty; that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Jeanette Fayers
Florain Breit
Mark Renner
Tracey Mullett

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Bernie Shevlin/Jeanette Fayers
Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Joseph Ogbonna

The Prayer Of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise You,
We bless You,
We adore you,
We glorify You,

We give You thanks for Your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Key Notes:

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- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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