

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE**

**LEADER:** Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy Priests to His Holy Church and Brothers and Sisters to Religious Orders.

**ALL:** O God, we earnestly beseech You to bless this diocese with many priests, brothers and sisters, who will gladly spend their entire lives serving Your Church and making You known and loved.

**LEADER:** Bless our families. Bless our children.

**ALL:** Choose from our homes those who are needed for Your work.

**LEADER:** Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

**ALL:** Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

**SAYING GOODBYE TO FATHERS PHILIP AND CHARLES:** The brown envelope collection continues this weekend (see below), and next Sunday, **30<sup>th</sup> July**, there will be a concelebrated Mass at 11am, followed by a presentation of gifts.

**MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE:** The next meeting of St Mary's Holy League, open to all men of the parish, will be held at 7.30pm on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July** for approximately an hour of prayer including Eucharistic Adoration. There will also be an opportunity afterwards to meet for a drink and a chat. Please come and support this great tradition of prayer and friendship. For further details please contact Terry 0782 878 5771, or Greg 07921 587 901.

*"Do not be afraid to be holy! Have the courage and humility to present yourselves to the world determined to be holy, since full, true freedom is born from holiness." St John Paul II*

**ELDERLY ITALIAN SPEAKING LADY** resident at Connaught House would really appreciate a regular half hour, weekly visit by an Italian speaker. Please contact Silvia Lindsay on 07582 887719 or the parish office.

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This weekend's **Second Collection** is an expression of thanks for Frs. Philip and Charles, who will be leaving us next month. Please put your donations into the brown envelopes which you will find in your pew and at the back of the church, and give them to one of the collectors at the church door when you leave. Thank you.

<b>LAST WEEK'S FINANCE</b>	
First collection: £ 705	
Standing orders: £ 621	<i>Thank you</i>



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Served by the Rosminians: Fr Philip Sainter, Parish Priest;

Fr Paul Gillham, Assistant Priest; Rev David Jones, Deacon

In community: Fr Charles Sormany and Fr Simon Giles

**Newsletter for Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2017**  
**SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Psalter Week 4

Jesus draws his parables from everyday images of hope and discouragement. There is the hope of a tiny seed that produces a marvellous tree, the small amount of leaven that makes it possible to feed a large family or a small village. There is also the discouragement of the farmer who finds that the field sown with clean seed is sprouting weeds; but it is a moment of discouragement that will be transformed by patient waiting.

These parables announce to us the promise of joy of the Kingdom of God. Let us welcome that promise in this celebration of the Eucharist.

*Fr Philip Sainter*

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***Father Philip is now in Lourdes (returning on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July) where he will be remembering you all in his thoughts and prayers***

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**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS AT ST. MARY'S**

<b>Sat</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	1730-1755	Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request
		<b>1800</b>	For the Parish
<b>Sun</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>0900</b>	John James Barson RIP
			<i>Presentation of Sophie Locker</i>
		1030-1055	Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request
		<b>1100</b>	Eileen O'Sullivan RIP
		1245	Polish Mass
		1600	Italian Mass
<b>Mon</b>	24 <sup>th</sup>	0915	John and Dorothy Ginns RIP
		1100	<i>Requiem Mass for Donato Butterazzi RIP</i>
<b>Tues</b>	25 <sup>th</sup>		<b><u>Saint James, Apostle (Feast)</u></b>
		0915	Jacinta Feryn - Intention
<b>Weds</b>	26 <sup>th</sup>	0915	Natalie Gillham RIP (Anniversary)
		1900	UCM Enrolment
<b>Thurs</b>	27 <sup>th</sup>	0800	Latin Mass (old rite) - Carmelo Lopez Lopez RIP (Anniv.)
		0915	Barson Family - Intention
<b>Fri</b>	28 <sup>th</sup>	0915	Province intention
<b>Sat</b>	29 <sup>th</sup>	0915	Province intention
		1000-1100	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Eucharist and Confessions</i>
		<b>1800</b>	Frenchy Frilot RIP
<b>Sun</b>	30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>0900</b>	For the Parish
		<b>1100</b>	Estrella Marti RIP

**THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S**

<b>Tues</b>	25 <sup>th</sup>	1845	Rosary – Church
<b>Weds</b>	26 <sup>th</sup>	1930	UCM – Library
<b>Thurs</b>	27 <sup>th</sup>	1300-1500	Craft & Chat – Hall
		1930	Holy League – Church

**PLEASE PRAY for those who are sick:** Sam Putres, Angelina, Margaret Jackson, Andrew Belton, Garry Clarke, Eileen Smith, Robert Onions, Tendai Mufute, David Allen, Arcenia Solohaga, Jim Moreland, Olga Maker, Hazel, Carmella Giancola, Clarissa Ryder, Barbara Finch, Frank Chatonda, Brian Smith, Rosinah, Janet Middleton, Justin Johns, Kevin and Olive Chapman, Malcolm Leafe, Phillip Dew, Rowena Orton, Vera Cunningham, Kerry Berry & family, Crispin Castillo, Reuben Farrant, Jack Murray, Brenda Schuler, Andrew Spicer, Margaret Stanford, Christina Mortell, Clelia Paciolla, Freddie Hess, Margaret Woodhouse, Pauline Davey, Lee and Louise Raven, Danilo Salvador, Christopher Browne, David and Claire Potter, Jamie, Mark, Stephen Coultas, Jane Moss, David Hart, Eddie Hamilton, Hannah Bechler, Val Wells, Alan & Judith Creighton, Deirdre Malcolm, the Tucker family and Geraldine Paul.

\*Please inform 'the newsletter' or parish office of any changes that need to be made to this list\*

**THE CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP:** A reminder that the group now meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month, 1pm - 3pm, in the Parish Hall. Do come to the next meeting on **27<sup>th</sup> July** when they will be hosting a visitor who will demonstrate the art of card making, and you will be able to make one to take home!

**THE LOUGHBOROUGH CIRCLE 173 OF THE CATENIAN ASSOCIATION** will be holding an informal barbecue at The New Inn, Peggs Green, LE67 8JE on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August** from 2pm onwards. We extend a warm welcome to you and your family to join us. Please see the poster at the back of church or contact Geoff Mercer or Bernard Monaghan.

**WELCOMERS, READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Please don't forget to email Derek at derekwhymark@virginmedia.com if you are willing to receive future editions of the rota by email. If anyone would like to become involved and share in the important ministries of reading or welcoming, then do please have a word with Fr. Paul.

**ANNUAL ROSARY RALLY: Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August** at Mount St. Bernard Abbey to pray for World Peace and the Young People of our Diocese. Concelebrated Mass at 2pm. (Principal Celebrant, Rt. Rev. Dom Erik Varden O.C.S.O, Abbot of Mount St. Bernard Abbey) then break for a picnic, followed by Solemn Crowning of the Statue of Our Lady and Act of Consecration, Rosary Procession, Exposition, Blessing of the Sick, and Benediction. It is advisable to take a chair. More information on the poster at the back of Church.

**CARPENTER'S ARMS/JOSEPH'S STOREHOUSE:** Now that the school holidays are with us, many children will go without a cooked school lunch, which for some is the main meal of the day. More families will be resorting to food banks resulting in a drain on resources. Please could we appeal for more canned groceries, breakfast cereals and dried pasta, rice etc. Toiletries are also very welcome, as are 'goodies' and 'treats'. Please keep your donations coming in. Thank you.

**FULLY ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE, IRELAND, 28<sup>th</sup> September - 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 (four nights):** £649 per person sharing. For more information, please see the noticeboard at the back of church, or contact Patricia anytime on 01268 762278 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.

**LOURDES 35<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2018.** Cost approximately £470 to include full board in Lourdes, coach and ferry travel, full insurance and driver's tips. If interested, please contact Vera Hurry on 01509 231282.

**FATIMA PILGRIMAGE:** Anne Murphy and Greg O'Connor are hoping to arrange a pilgrimage to Fatima in late May next year. If interested please see Anne or Greg. More information will be available later.

**FORTHCOMING DATE:** on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** (from 7pm) a **vigil for peace and consolation** is being planned here at St. Mary's for the recent events in Manchester, London and the Grenfell Tower tragedy. Further details later.

**PLEASE PRAY for those who have recently died:** Donato Butterazzi, Christopher Pacynko and Giuseppe Romano: **may they rest in peace.**

**for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Betty Rowan, Philip Cimelli, Peter Pascall, Roy Rowbottom, Kathleen Callan, Norman Denton, Carmelo Lopez Lopez, Helen Mitchell, Carmen Langley, Aldo Giampalma, Kathleen Winfield and Gerrard Nicholson