

**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.

FROM THE SAINTS: “Whenever man attempts to do what he knows is the Master’s Will, a power will be given him equal to the duty” (*Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, 1895-1979*).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CERTIFICATES are available for collection for those who missed the presentation on Sunday 24th June. Please ask Fr Paul.

BLESSED TANSI PILGRIMAGE AT MOUNT ST BERNARD ABBEY: Saturday 25th August 2018, 10.30am. Rosary procession, Holy Mass, Benediction and blessing of the sick.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - Our Lady Queen of Peace: Monday 27th August 2018, 1.15pm. Led by Fr Stefan Park OSA, Spiritual Director of the Medjugorje Apostolate. Rosary, Litany of Our Lady, Holy Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Cost of coach from Leicester: £17 (children under 14 free). To book and for more information call Mary Cosgrove: 07792 162518.

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE

First collection: **£730**

Standing Orders: **£657**

Thank you



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Newsletter for Sunday 22nd July 2018

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Psalter Week 4

Anointing of the Sick

There is an important line from *last* Sunday's Gospel which I didn't want to let pass without comment. "*So they [the Twelve] set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them*" (Mark 6:13). This is a reference to what would later become known as the **Anointing of the Sick** which is one of the **Seven Sacraments**. As with all the Sacraments, the Anointing of the Sick was personally instituted by Christ. He Himself cured many while on this earth, and the healings were always connected with the **forgiveness of sins**. Our Lord then handed on this healing ministry to the Apostles. St James writes in his Epistle, "*Is any among you sick? Let them call for the priests of the Church, and let them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick persons, and the Lord will raise them up; and if they have committed sins, they will be forgiven*" (James 5:14-15).

To receive the Sacrament validly, there does not have to be a fatal illness, but it should be grave. A person about to have surgery may be anointed too, and the elderly may be anointed even if there is no immediate danger of death. The Church encourages us to receive the Sacrament long before there is an imminent danger of death. And God often uses this Sacrament to restore people to bodily health who have been expected to die, although this is not its primary purpose.

The Anointing of the Sick forgives **venial** (less serious) sins. More importantly, it also forgives **mortal** (grave) sins, but the person has to be sorry for them. However, the sorrow for the sin does not have to be present at the time of anointing. The sorrow may go back even years before a person is in danger of death. Just one condition must be fulfilled - the now sick and dying person, at least at some time between having gravely sinned and the time of Anointing, must have been sincerely sorry for having offended God by grave sin. Then the grace lost by mortal sin is restored to the soul. What a gift! How great is God's mercy! This Anointing can ensure salvation and save someone from the eternal punishment of Hell. It is also possible for this Sacrament to remove all **temporal punishment** and thereby a person may completely bypass **Purgatory**.

PLEASE do not delay to call a priest to anoint someone if there is a danger of death – even if it is in the middle of the night! And let us never cease to **pray for vocations**, because **ONLY** a priest can administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Fr Paul Gillham IC

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS AT ST MARY'S

Sat	21 st	6.00pm	Luna Adriana Sobieraj (GE)
Sun	22 nd	9.00am	Ted Casey RIP
		10.30-10.55am	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i>
		11.00am	Brookes Family - Intention
		12.45pm	Polish Mass
		2.15pm	<i>Baptism of Lily Nina Ebene</i>
		4.00pm	Italian Mass
Mon	23 rd	<u>St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe (Feast)</u>	
		9.15am	For the Parish
		1.15pm	<i>Funeral Mass for Jane Butler RIP</i>
Tues	24 th	9.15am	Vincenzo Giorgio and Vittorio Giorgio RIP
Weds	25 th	<u>St James, Apostle (Feast)</u>	
		9.15am	James Whitehouse (GE)
Thurs	26 th	9.15am	Derek Frost RIP
		2.00pm	<i>Convalidation: James Nelson and Jennifer Crocker</i>
Fri	27 th	9.15am	Carmelo Lopez Lopez RIP (Anniversary)
Sat	28 th	9.15am	Brendan Keating RIP
		10.00 -11.00am	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
		5.30-5.55pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i>
		6.00pm	For all Rosminians in Formation
Sun	29 th	9.00am	For the Parish
		10.30-10.55am	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i>
		11.00am	Estrella Marti RIP (Anniversary)

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Tues	24 th	6.45-7.15pm	Rosary – Church
Weds	25 th	7.30pm	UCM – Library

PLEASE PRAY for those who are sick: Susan, John Feeney, Dale and Barbara Morrison, Paola Cavadini, Renata Maderna, Anu Awotula, Valentino Castillo Snr, Leonardo Lopez Wain, Teresa Frankow, Margaret Barson, Ethel Dale, Andrew Belton, Tendai Mufute, Arcenia Solohaga, Jim Moreland, Olga Maker, Hazel, Frank Chatonda, Brian Smith, Rosinah, Lee and Louise Raven, Justin Johns, Kevin and Olive Chapman, Rowena Orton, Vera Cunningham, Crispin Castillo, Jack Murray, Christina Mortell, Clelia Paciolla, Freddie Hess, Margaret Woodhouse, Pauline Davey, Danilo Salvador, Christopher Browne, David and Claire Potter, Jamie, Mark, Stephen Coultas, Jane Moss, Eddie Hamilton, Hannah Bechler, Val Wells, Alan & Judith Creighton, Geraldine Paul and Violet Bowler.

GRUB CLUB

Grub Club opened its doors this week on Monday and Thursday in St Mary's school hall. We provided about 50 meals to children, parents and volunteers: raw vegetables, hot main course, dessert, with ice cream cones as an extra. It was extremely hot in the kitchen but worth the effort to see so many engaged children. On the second day an environmental health officer carried out an inspection of the kitchen and our food safety practices and awarded us the top 5 stars. Michelin next, we think!

There was a real buzz and great atmosphere as the Grub Club activities got under way in the school hall. We had various supervised craft activities including decorating a banner to make bunting which we displayed around the hall. There was drawing, painting, sticking, we had our very own art gallery where all the children's artwork was on display. There were board games such as giant snakes and ladders, we also had scalextric set up which was a big hit. There was lots to do, lots of laughter, and lots of new friendships made.

Thanks to all who took part. And a huge thank you to our benefactors within the parish who have given us money, games, kitchenware and other items. Next week we hope to be able to offer football coaching as an extra activity.

Catherine and Elvira

BROWN SCAPULAR OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL: Eight parishioners were enrolled into the Brown Scapular last Monday. If anyone missed it and would like to be enrolled, please let me know. For information on the Brown Scapular, see last week's newsletter.
Fr Paul

ADOREMUS: As you may be aware the Bishops of England and Wales are holding a National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool and there are still places available for the Saturday, 8th September 2018. The keynote speaker is Bishop Robert Barron, visit his website: <https://www.wordonfire.org/>. Our Diocese is hoping to send a coach from Leicester to Liverpool Echo Arena for this special event. The cost of the congress ticket is £40 and the coach fare will be £15. Let Fr Paul know if you are interested in attending.

EVERYONE WELCOME for tea/coffee and a chat at Edward Orton's home, 38 York Road, on **Wednesday mornings** between 10.00 and 11.30 am. No charge, no collection, just a chance to meet and make new friends.

101 CLUB: The winning number this month is **16**.

PLEASE PRAY for those for who have recently died: Jane Butler. **May she rest in Peace**

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Guilemena Pizzolon, Lily Rigley, Betty Rowan, Philip Cimelli, Peter Pascall, Amelia Michalski, Roy Rowbottom, Kathleen Callan, Norman Denton, Helen Mitchell, Carmelo Lopez Lopez, Carmen Langley and Estrella Marti