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Newsletter for Sunday 6th October 2019 ROSARY SUNDAY – 27th IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 3

Holy Rosary Sunday - 'Get the Habit and Click the Beads'

Throughout the month of **October**, the Church encourages us all to use our **Rosary** to aid our prayers and be drawn closer to Jesus through it. On her many appearances throughout history our Blessed Lady has **exhorted** the 'faithful' to pray the rosary, both individually and families together. Pope Pius V instituted this feast of **Holy Rosary Sunday** to commemorate the halting of Turkish Muslim expansion by the Christian armies in 1571, which he and many others ascribed to his call for the Christian faithful to pray the Rosary and call upon Our Lady's help.

The use of beads to help our concentration has a long history in the Church and the Rosary is perhaps the most distinct and popular devotion for us **Latin Rite Catholics**. **You can always identify a Catholic by their 'beads.'** But over the last decades we have become shy, many have thought themselves 'too sophisticated', 'modern', 'grown up', to use a Rosary. "It's boring, repetitive, old fashioned" they say, "We don't get it. We don't need it." So why does Our Lady encourage us to use it and saints, like Padre Pio, call it their greatest 'weapon'? Because, as soon-to-be 'Saint' John Henry Newman put it; ***'The great power of the Rosary lies in this, that it makes the Creed into a prayer, giving us the great truths of Christ's life, death and resurrection, the sacraments and Our Lady's love and example, bringing them nearer our hearts. It allows us to connect with the Angels and Saints and the whole Church through time and eternity.'***

Let's learn and re-learn to use this **great 'tool'** that we have been given, not rushing through it, as we Catholics can be wont to do, but **slowing down**, 'picturing each mystery (Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, Luminous), remembering that the Our Fathers and Hail Marys are designed to lead us into a deeper appreciation of God's actions in **our** world.

Sort your 'intentions' before you begin. Pause and name them as you pray each decade. Change them and build them through your week. Gently bring them with Mother Mary to Jesus. One decade or two. All five is best. Whatever you can manage, **pray it!!**

Let's all **'Get the Habit and Click the beads'** this October, grow in faith, grow in discipleship, grow in prayer, using this **Great Weapon of our Catholic Faith:**

THE HOLY ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Fr David Jones OLV

MASS TIMES AT ST MARY'S

Sat	5 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass
Sun	6 th	<u>Rosary Sunday – Homeless Sunday - 27th in Ordinary Time</u>	
		9.00am	Parish Mass
		<i>10.30-10.55am</i>	<i>Confessions + on request</i>
		11.00am	Parish Mass
		12.45pm	Polish Mass
		4.00pm	Italian Mass
Mon	7 th	9.15am	Our Lady of the Rosary
Tues	8 th	9.15am	Feria
Weds	9 th	9.15am	Sts Denis, bishop, & Companions, martyrs
		7.00pm	Latin Mass (old rite)
Thurs	10 th	9.15am	St Paulinus of York & Anglo-Saxon Sts of the Diocese
		<i>5.30pm</i>	<i>Reception of Mary Scrivens RIP</i>
		7.00pm	Holy Hour for Vocations
Fri	11 th	9.15am	Feria
		<i>1.00pm</i>	<i>Requiem Mass for Mary Scrivens RIP</i>
Sat	12 th	9.15am	St Wilfrid of York, bishop
		10-11.00	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
		<i>5.30-5.55pm</i>	<i>Confessions + on request</i>
		6.00pm	Vigil Mass
Sun	13 th	<u>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>	
		9.00am	Parish Mass
		<i>10.30-10.55am</i>	<i>Confessions + on request</i>
		11.00am	Parish Mass

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Mon	7 th	1.30pm	History Group - Hall
Tues	8 th	6.45-7.15pm	The Rosary – Church
Weds	9 th	7.30pm	UCM - Library
Fri	11 th	7.00pm	RCIA – Library

NB: Due to the new government regulations regarding personal data (GDPR), we are only able to publicise the Mass intentions in the printed edition of the newsletter.

FIRST CONFESSION/ HOLY COMMUNION 2020: Candidate application forms are now available at the back of the church and should be returned completed by **Sunday 27th October**.

ON RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION: Please note it is *not* permitted for a communicant having received the Host in the hand to then dip it into the Precious Blood themselves. They must first consume the Host and then drink from the Chalice. This is the universal Law of the Church (*Redemptionis Sacramentum #104*). The reason - there is always a risk that a drop of the Precious Blood may fall on the floor or the soaked Host may fall apart and It too may fall on the floor.

HOMELESS SUNDAY: This Sunday is Homeless Sunday and there will be a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Patrick read at all Masses. In the East Midlands in 2017, 313 people were counted as sleeping rough each night. Across the country in 2018, **597 people died homeless and alone**. The Bishop will set out his three-fold spiritual foundation for the diocese to help combat this problem. Please check out the following link: <http://homeless-sunday.inspya.net/> *Fr Paul*

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM AT ST BARNABAS CATHEDRAL: The Bishops of our country have decided to rededicate England as the "Dowry of Mary." In anticipation of the rededication which will take place on the Solemnity of the Annunciation next year, the renowned statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will visit St Barnabas Cathedral on **Thursday 10th - Saturday 12th October**. Bishop Patrick will be the celebrant at the opening Mass on Thursday 10th at 7.15pm and also at the closing Mass on Saturday 12th at 12.15pm. A beautiful programme has been organised. Please see the notice board for all the details. *Fr Paul*

DIocese OF NOTTINGHAM DISCERNMENT DAYS: **Saturday 12th October** for men and women 30+ who are looking to respond to God's call for them in life and **Saturday 23rd November** for altar servers who are interested in learning more about priesthood and religious life. Both days will be at The Old Friary, Gordon Road, Nottingham, NG3 2LG from 11am-3.30pm. See the poster at the back of church and contact the Vocation Directors on 0115 950 1064 for further details or to book your place.

THANK YOU to St Mary's School who have raised **£76.23** for the Kwediboma Fund. *Fr Paul*

MISLAID: Before we bought the new tablecloths for the hall, there were quite a number of cloths for the tables that were already there - small green ones and two sizes of cream. If anyone knows where they are could you please let Louise (in the office) know. We still have need of these cloths when we use the old tables. Maybe you took them home after use to wash them and forgot to return them? Thank you. *Bernie McEnergy*

LACY (Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth) The working group of LACY will meet again this coming **Wednesday, 9th October, at St. Thomas More, Knighton, Leicester, LE2 3HN**, 7.30-9.00pm. Tea and coffee will be provided. More information available from Pauline - 07885 187374 or Ian - iancardwell50@hotmail.com.

Please pray for those who have died: Eddie Lam, Mary Scrivens, Mathai John, Pauline Davey and Richard Smith. May they rest in peace.

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Baby Winifred Turner, Susan Breen, Mark Murphy, Giovanni Russo, Vera Sparks, Baby Pauline Wortley, John Connell, Ted Betts, Barbara Arden-Rowe, Frank McKeown, John McEnergy, Vincenzo Sozzo, Baby Robert Neal, Sheila Edmundson, Kathleen Leakey, Frederick Smith, Joe Elsner, Joseph Mitchell, Eva Rouse, Phyllis Wood and Rev Fr Tim Maloney

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.*

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL: Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. *Amen.*

CELEBRATION OF FR LUIGI GENTILI'S MISSION: The Rosminians are gathering in St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham on **Thursday 21st November** at 1pm for a great celebration of the missionary work of Fr Luigi Gentili whom Blessed Antonio Rosmini (our Founder) sent to this country in 1835. Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass with us. Please put this date in you diaries. A coach has been booked to take us there. There is a signing up sheet at the back of church. Cost £8.00 per person.
Fr Paul

OUR MONTHLY HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS will be this **Thursday, 10th October at 7pm.** Please pull out all the stops to be present. Also keep in your prayers Sam Hart, until very recently one of our altar servers, who is trying his vocation with Nottingham Diocese at the Old Friary. We *all* have to be pro-active in praying for many more priests and religious brothers and sisters. In the words of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, "There are probably hundreds of thousands of vocations hanging from Heaven on silken cords; prayer is the sword that cuts them."

ROSMINI CENTRE: **Saturday 12th October**, 2.00-4.30 pm: **Bryan Spence, founder of the 'Carpenters Arms' Loughborough**, God in My Life, Invitation, Mission, Gratitude.

HARVEST RAFFLE TICKET: Prize for ticket no **490** is waiting for you in the office.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL ACTION MEETING: **Tuesday 15th October**, 7pm, in the parish hall. Please come along if you are interested in helping to serve our local community.

FROM THE SAINTS: "The Rosary seems so simple and easy, but you know God chooses the small things of the world to humble the great." *Blessed John Henry Newman*

DID YOU KNOW THAT? Angels are entirely spiritual beings; they do not have material bodies and they are neither male or female, but they do have an intellect and will just like human beings.

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE	
First Collection: £ 730	
Standing Orders: £ 665 @ 31/07	<i>Thank you</i>