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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 2

Statement on Marriage

(Published by order of the Bishop)

Marriage is a lifelong vocation of a man and a woman to a community of life and love open to children, and, between the baptized, it is a Sacrament. Aware of the many pressures today which can endanger family life, the Church is constantly concerned to make sure that those of you planning to marry are prepared as well as possible. We would like to remind those who wish to marry of the following:

1. It is important that a couple go to see their priest in good time before their wedding. Normally, at least six months' notice should be given.
2. Marriage preparation is carried out by the Priest, often assisted by a group from the parish. Courses arranged on a Deanery basis are recommended.
3. Catholics are reminded of their obligation to preserve their faith and to do all they can within the unity of their partnership to have all their children baptized and brought up in the faith and practice of the Catholic Church.
4. Non-Catholic partners will be informed of this promise, but they are not asked to make this or any similar promise.
5. Dispensation for a marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic to take place in a non-Catholic Church can only be granted for a serious reason. Couples who wish to marry in a non-Catholic Church should discuss the matter with their priest in good time before their wedding day to see whether a dispensation could be granted.

All couples marrying these days need the support of the local Church. In this way they will be strengthened in their preparation for marriage, in celebrating their marriage, and in living out their covenant with one another.

We wish to thank all those married people who show such constancy and fidelity to their vocation of marriage. May their example inspire those planning to marry in the Church.

*Right Reverend Patrick McKinney
Bishop of Nottingham*

MASS INTENTIONS AT ST MARY'S

Sat	24th	6.00pm	Intention for the living – PUBLIC MASS
Sun	25th	<u>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>	
		9.00am	Intention for the living – PUBLIC MASS
		11.15am	Salvatore Fele RIP – PUBLIC MASS
		4.00pm	Italian Mass
Mon	26th	9.15am	Ian Yeoman RIP– PUBLIC MASS
Tues	27th	9.15am	For the Parish
Weds	28th	6.30pm	Intention for the living
Thurs	29th	9.15am	Intention for the living
Fri	30th	6.30pm	Deceased members of the Giorgio & Mancini Families – PUBLIC MASS
Sat	31st	9.15am	Repose of the souls of Terry & Meryl Murphy's parents
		10.30am-	Private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
		12.30pm	Confessions available 10.30am-11.30am
		6.00pm	For the Parish – PUBLIC MASS
Sun	1st	<u>ALL SAINTS (SOLEMNITY)</u>	
		9.00am	Deceased members of the Castillo Family – PUBLIC MASS
		11.15am	Giovanni Brunetti & Michele & Filomina Paolella RIP – PUBLIC MASS
		3.00pm	<i>Blessing of Graves, Loughborough Cemetery</i>

MASS INTENTIONS: Although the times of Masses are all displayed in this newsletter, the PRIVATE Masses (ie those not open to the public) will not necessarily be offered at those times. But the Masses will all be celebrated for the particular intentions on the days advertised.

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

PLEASE PRAY for those who have recently died: Fr Giancarlo Andreis, IC and Ian Yeoman
May they rest in peace

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Dolores Cunningham, June Ross, Margaret Stanford, Eileen Burtchaell, Liza Veiga, Frances Hardy, Denise Billson, Malvina Nasi, Mario Sepede, James Temple, Elsie Bowler, Angie Hicken, Rev Fr Ted Cody, Wilfred Orton and Giuseppina Mazzotti

THE LATIN MASS will not take place this **Wednesday 27th October**. It will resume on Wednesday 11th November.

NOVEMBER BLESSING OF GRAVES: All Souls Day, **2nd November**, falls on a Monday this year. We will have the customary Blessing of Graves at Loughborough Cemetery next **Sunday 1st November at 3pm**, provided it is not pouring with rain. There will be three Masses on All Souls Day – 9.15am, 12 noon (Latin old rite) and 6.30pm.

NOVEMBER INDULGENCES FOR THE HOLY SOULS: During November we remember especially the souls in Purgatory. We help them through our prayers and good works assigned by the Church which has received the authority from Christ to apply to them the merits of His Passion and death as well as the merits of the lives of the saints. Therefore, a plenary indulgence may be gained **from noon of 1st November to midnight on 2nd November**, applicable only to the Holy Souls, when you 1. Visit a church and say there for the souls in Purgatory one Our Father and the Creed. 2. Visit a cemetery **between 1st and 8th November** and pray there for the dead. In both instances make a good confession within the week before or after and be free from all attachment to sin. Also say one Our Father and Hail Mary for the Pope's monthly intentions and receive Holy Communion worthily on the same day or soon after. If you don't manage to fulfil all these conditions, the indulgence is partial.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CANONISATION OF THE MARTYRS OF ENGLAND AND WALES: Saints John Fisher and Thomas More had been canonised in 1935, but 50 years ago today (Sunday) the 40 martyrs of the 16th and 17th centuries, which include some of our local martyrs, were canonised by Pope St Paul VI in Rome. Although things were more barbarous then, the challenges to faith that are present in our society today would be recognised by these martyrs. In today's secularised society, one of the greatest expressions of faith we can offer to the world is simple, persevering fidelity to Our Lord and the infallible teachings of the Church He founded. This is demanded of all of us. May the prayers of the martyrs strengthen us in our mission to be faithful to this call, whatever our state of life. *Fr Paul*

TOGETHER, WE ARE CARITAS: Building social action in the Diocese of Nottingham - Saturday 7th November 2020 by Zoom (with a telephone option). Nottingham Diocese is joining Caritas, the Church's worldwide ministry of charity. Soon our parish will be part of one of the biggest humanitarian organisations on the planet – and you are invited to be part of it. Join Bishop Patrick, Caritas Social Action Network, the diocesan Justice & Peace Commission and Catholics from all round our diocese. **In two 90-minute online sessions – at 11.00am and 1.30pm** – we'll take practical steps, in parishes and chaplaincies across the diocese, to bring the Gospel to life, locally and globally. For details and booking information, visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction or call 07470 907656 for further information.

FROM OUR SEMINARIAN IN SPAIN: As many of you already know, I have now begun my first year of seminary. I want to thank everyone at the parish for their support and I am very grateful to all those who donated money to help me during my time in Spain. I had not known this was taking place and it has helped me out a great deal. I am enjoying seminary life a great deal and have really enjoyed getting to know this historic city of Valladolid. I will continue to update Father Paul about my progress and hope to be back with you for a few weeks at Christmas.

Sam Hart

THE SECOND ISSUE OF 'PARISH NEWS SNIPPETS' is out. You can pick up a copy at the exit; suggested donation is 50p to help cover print costs.

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.*

A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to possess You within my soul. Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

THE ROSARY: "We put great confidence in the holy Rosary for the healing of evils which afflict our times. Not with force, not with arms, not with human power, but with Divine help obtained through the means of this prayer, strong like David with his sling, the Church undaunted shall be able to confront the infernal enemy" (*Venerable Pope Pius XII, 1876-1958*).

FROM THE SAINTS: "Love between man and woman cannot be built without sacrifices and self-denial" (*Pope St John Paul II, 1920- 2005*).

PRE-BOOKING PLACES FOR MASS: Online bookings can be made on the diocesan website at <https://massbooking.uk> Telephone bookings can be made by calling **07554 603972 on Tuesday or Wednesday between 2pm and 4pm or Thursday and Friday between 5pm and 7pm.** Due to the higher demand at weekend Masses, a pre-booked seat is not guaranteed if you arrive after Mass has begun. May I take this opportunity to remind you that **the Sunday obligation is still suspended, and therefore I would encourage some of you to take advantage of attending Mass during the week if possible** to help ease the numbers at the weekend. Thank you. *Fr Paul*

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE:	
First Collection: £692 , of which £186 was gift-aided	
Second Collection – World Missions: £220 plus further £5 for CAFOD (from previous week)	
Standing orders: £776	<i>Thank you</i>