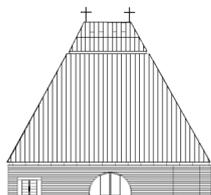


THE MESSENGER

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost, St. Bede and Sacred Heart

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Holy Ghost & St. Bede's Churches Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Psalter Week I—22nd October

Thought for the Week

In today's Gospel, Jesus is once again in conflict with the Pharisees, many of whom were good and Holy people believing they were defending the integrity of their Religion. They cannot see who Jesus is, nor can they hear and understand His teaching about the Kingdom of God.

In the dramatic exchange, Jesus deals with them with open honesty and gentle firmness. He stuns them with the challenge to think deeply about what truly belongs to God.

Along with Justice, Jesus made peace a central theme of His Ministry and Teaching. Peace on earth was the opening proclamation of His birth. His Ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation brought people together again, with God and with each other.

World Mission Sunday is celebrated in every Parish throughout the World. It is a great opportunity to express solidarity with our Brothers and Sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression.

Pope Francis' Message for World Mission Sunday speaks of the power of the Gospel in overcoming evil. "We can think too of countless testimonies to how the Gospel helps to overcome narrowness, conflict, racism, tribalism, and to promote everywhere, and among all, reconciliation, fraternity, and sharing".

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week I

Sun 22nd	9.00 am	SB	Private Intention
	11.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	3.00 pm	HG	Syro Malabar Mass
	6.30 pm	SB	Kathleen & Patrick Bruen RIP
Mon 23rd	12.00 noon	HG	Int. Anna Alex
Tues 24th	9.30 am	SB	Private Charles William Connolly RIP
Wed 25th	9.30 am	HG	Doreen Jachimowicz RIP
Thur 26th	No School Adoration today. It's the half term holiday		
	9.30 am	SB	In Reparation for the Abortion Act
Fri 27th	9.30 am	HG	Edmund Higgins RIP (Reddaway)
	Adoration after Mass at Holy Ghost Church		
Sat 28th	9.30 am	SB	Maureen Burnand RIP (Fond)
	Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 am		

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week II - 29th October

Sun 29th	9.00 am	SB	Maureen McCauley RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Antonio Martino RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish



Before Mass:
pray to God

During Mass:
listen to God

After Mass:
talk to everyone

CONFIRMATION

As already stated, we are revamping our Confirmation Programme. We need time to recruit new catechists and for training. We will commence this new programme in September 2018.

BLESSINGS OF GRAVES

In Worting Road Cemetery at 2.30 pm on Sunday 12th November. Do come along to pray for your loved ones buried in the cemetery. It starts with a short service outside the chapel and then each of your family graves will be blessed by a Priest. I shall make separate arrangements for Holy Ghost cemetery.

MERRYFIELD CONVENT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME

The Dominican Sisters of Malta have been providing quality care and comfort to the elderly at Maryfield for over 50 years. Mass is celebrated daily in the Convent Chapel. We are small, eighteen single rooms and presently have a vacancy. Fees competitive. To arrange a visit or if you would like further information, please ring: Tel. No. 01256 762394 to speak to Trish Davies.

PARISH MASS COUNT

Throughout the Sundays of October.

BASINGSTOKE LADIES CHOIR

The Basingstoke Ladies Choir, together with the Bishop Challoner School choir, are staging a concert at Bishop Challoner School at 7.30pm on Friday 10th November to raise funds for the Foodbank. Tickets cost £12 each (to include a glass of wine or soft drink). Tickets form pfm1906@aol.com or 07785312486.

CALLED AND GIFTED AT ST BEDE'S

Save the date – Saturday 11th November 9am – 5pm - Called and Gifted starts at St Bede's.

The **first stage** is a teaching day. It explains the Church's teaching on the role of the laity and the Parish in the mission of the Church to the world. It discusses the critical role of charisms in our life and service of others, and the signs and characteristics of 23 common charisms. This usually takes place on a Saturday, between about 9am and 4.30pm in a Parish.

The **second stage** is a private discernment Conversation with a trained member of the team, which will help you recognise patterns in your life that might indicate the presence of a charism.

The **third stage** is meeting three times in a small discernment group, following a process to look in detail at using one charism in your everyday life. Usually there about 5 people in the group. All Parishioners will then meet together at the end, with their Parish Priest and perhaps members of a Parish Council or Evangelisation Strategy Team, to share experiences and confirmed charisms, and look at how the community can support each person in using their charisms in their everyday life as well as for the mission of the Church

PARISH DIARY:

Sun 22nd Oct Music: 9 am Choir; 11 am Cantorg : 6.30 pm: Guitar

Children's Liturgy at the 9 am and 11 am Masses

Mon: SVP @ 7.30 pm

Tues: Toddler Group 1.30—3.15 pm

Thurs: Choir practice: 7.30 pm at SB

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday is your chance to support Missionaries and the Church in proclaiming the Gospel of Peace to those who suffer around the world. By supporting Missio, the Pope's official charity for overseas mission, you will be sharing the pace and love of Christ with all people by helping everyone in need, regardless of background or belief.



CAR PARKING

We have received many complaints from Residents of the private estate behind us who are unable to leave their homes on a Sunday because of Parishioners who are parking on their properties or surround streets. These issues are becoming serious, as the Emergency Services are unable to gain access to these properties. We ask you please to be respectful of our neighbours and not park there.

HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER CHAPLAINCY

If you wish to receive Holy Communion whilst in Hospital, please contact Liz Murphy in the Parish Office. The Hospital Volunteer Chaplains visit the hospital on a Wednesday to give Holy Communion to those who request it.

This is an opportune moment, to thank very sincerely on behalf of the Parish: Alison Luker, Jackie Kinge, Brian Morris, Tom Mullally, Rex Barnham and Ed McNulty, who attend the Hospital on a rota system throughout the year. They are a very dedicated group of people, and we are extremely grateful to them.



BATTLE OF PASSCHENDAEL (July-Nov 1917)

We remember Private 57148 Charles William Connolly (Manchester Regiment) who died 24th October 1917. May He Rest in Peace

NIGHT SHELTER

The Night Light Winter Shelter, offering friendship, a hot meal and shelter to the homeless rough sleepers in the coldest 3 months of the year is starting again in Basingstoke on 1st December. The Catholic Community have been asked if they would like to manage and provide all the staffing for the Thursday night shelter at the URC at the top of town. Could you help the underprivileged, by volunteering to get involved this year. If you want to know more, there will be briefing session at St Bede's Church Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17th October. If anyone would like more information, in the meantime, please contact Pat Murphy 07785 312486 or pfm1906@aol.com

COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £2,453.83p. grateful thanks. Today World Mission Day, there will be a second