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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 14th July 2019

Jesus describes how a traveller was set upon by a band of robbers and left for dead. Before long a priest, and then a Levite, passed by that way, saw the bundle of humanity huddled at the roadside and hurriedly crossed the road and continued on their way. It may not have been just through lack of sympathy that they failed to stop. They may well have thought that the victim was already dead. To have touched his corpse would have rendered them ritually impure and so precluded them from taking part in a Temple service. But then along came a Samaritan—for centuries a deep hostility had existed between Jews and Samaritans—and now the unbelievable was about to happen. The Samaritan, a hated outcast, a member of a despised race, came to the rescue, and at great personal risk, too, because there was always the danger of the robbers returning. Being practical, he used his own beast as a kind of ambulance to ferry the injured man to a nearby inn and even promised to return and repay any outstanding debt there might be. Jesus told this story in response to the question: "And who is my neighbour?" But his reply moves from obligation, "Who counts as my neighbour?" to invitation: "How can I show myself to be a good neighbour?" And the answer to that question is: by assisting anyone who stands in need of help.

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sun 14th July	9.00 am	SB	Joan Tito Gomez RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Breda & Terry Reilly RIP
	12.30 pm	SB	Baptisms
	6.30 pm	SB	Int. Anne Marie Grimes—Lord's Flock
Mon 15th	12 noon	HG	Victoria Duggan RIP <i>Adoration before Mass from 11.00 am</i>
Tues 16th	No Mass		
Wed 17th	9.30 am	HG	Jim, James Nolan RIP
Thur 18th	9.30 am	SB	Donato Consiglio RIP
Fri 19th	9.30 am	HG	Getedune Kilcoyne RIP <i>Adoration after Mass until 11.00 am</i>
Sat 20th	9.30 am	SB	Int. Michael Davidson <i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am</i>
	1.00 pm	HG	Wedding of Alice Rhodes and Joseph McNulty

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sun 21st July	9.00 am	SB	Michele Colella RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Teresa Ellis RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish

THE MONTH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

We have now entered the high summer month of July, a month in which we honour the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. St. John XXIII especially wanted us to have a vibrant devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus, the price of our redemption, and the pledge of our salvation and eternal life. When we receive Holy Communion from the chalice during this month, let us pray that the Lord will wash away all our sins and forgive and convert those who bring bloodshed and violence to our world. Sometimes, sadly, I have heard people refer to Holy Communion from the chalice as "receiving the wine" - a terrible mistake! Let's never refer to 'wine' but only to the Precious Blood.

SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's second collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This collection is vital to enable it to continue its work, so please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. To donate online please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Application forms and programme information will be available soon for children who wish to make their First Holy Communion in 2020. Applicants should be 7 years plus and Baptised Catholic. First Holy Communion Masses will take place on Saturday 16th May 2020 at 11 am and 2 pm.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2020

Parents, when you apply for a place at our Catholic Primary School in January 2020, you will be required to complete a Supplementary Information Form stating how often you have attended Sunday Mass in the past year. You will need to ask Fr. Chris to verify the information which you provide on the Supplementary Information Form regarding your Mass attendance. The green card will be available in the Cloister Area for stamping on Sunday 1st September. This card needs to be stamped every time you attend Sunday Mass. (If your Child is not present, there will be no stamp).

NIGHT LIGHT WINTER SHELTER

Planning has started again for this year's program which offers shelter and friendship, from 1st December to 28th February, to people sleeping rough on the streets of Basingstoke. All new volunteers must undergo a training session and two hour training sessions are available on 28th September or 15th October at Sarum Hill Centre, RG21 8SR. Returning volunteers will be contacted by email. For more information please contact Pat Murphy 07785 312486.

DIARY:

Sunday 14th: Music: 9 am Choir: 11 am Cantorg: 6.30 pm Lord's Flock
Refreshments after 9am Mass
Polish Rosary at 4 pm SB
Tues 16th Toddler Group 1.30 pm to 3.15 pm SB
Wed 17th Choir 7.30 pm SB
Thur 18th Repository shop open 9.00 am—3 pm

Sunday 21st: Music: 9 am Choir: 11 am Filipino: 6.30 pm Cantorg
Plant Sale for St. Michael's Hospice

CAFOD UPDATE MEETING

You are invited to a CAFOD update meeting on Saturday 7th September from 10:30 am to 1 pm at St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. Elouise Hobbs our regional news officer will be talking about her recent trip to refugee camps in Lebanon and how your donations are making a difference to people's lives. Please book your place so that we have an idea of how many people are coming by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or phone 01252 329385.



CARITAS SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

From 27—30 August 2019 Caritas are running a Holiday Club at St Bede's Primary School for children who will not have a holiday this year. Applications for children aged 5-11 are now being taken. Volunteers are also needed to help with this venture, and there will be a volunteers meeting at Sacred Heart Church on Tuesday 16th July at 7 pm to explain more. If you are able to help us financially, would like more information or an application form, please email caritas_nwhpa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

BAPTISMS

Congratulations and welcome to Bella Raine Van Kempen, Dylan Gerrard Gook, Mason George Chapman, Rafe James Sargeant, Jesse Sam Brew and Korede David Fapojuwo who will be Baptised today.

WEDDING

Congratulations to Alice Rhodes and Joseph McNulty who are getting married at Holy Ghost Church on Saturday 20th July at 1.00 pm.



NEWSLETTER ITEMS

If you have any news items which you want to be considered for inclusion in our newsletter, please email them to: newsletter@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Parish Collection amounted to £2,355.67p. Grateful thanks. Second collection today is for Apostleship of the Sea.