

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

29 September 2024

There is a peculiar type of pettiness that will not allow someone to do what others do (even if - or perhaps especially if - they are good at it) because they aren't part of the group, or club, or circle. Unless you wear the uniform, the badge or tie, you can't share in the work. When this is applied to doing good or following the Lord, it seems even more petty than ever: if someone does a good thing, does it matter that she or he is not a Catholic? The words of the Lord, "Anyone who is not against us is for us," should be taken to heart this Sunday. Let us recognise anyone who helps the poor, serves peace and justice, does what the Lord Jesus wants as our co-worker, whatever the 'label' they work under.

PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS

PARISH OF DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, help us never to abandon your ways. As you have loved and shown us your mercy, may we sincerely express our love for God by loving our neighbour and being merciful to them. Jesus, King of Divine Mercy, we trust in you.

2. READINGS

First: Numbers 11:25-29 - The gift of prophecy is given to Eldad and Medad - Moses is pleased, Joshua is jealous on his behalf.

Psalm: 18: The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart / The law of the Lord is perfect.

Second: James 5: 1-6 - wealth will all disintegrate, especially if it was gathered unjustly.

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 47-48 - Anyone who is not against us is for us - purge yourself from sin - do not be an obstacle to those who have faith.

3. PRAYER OF THE ROSARY: During the month of October the Prayer of the Rosary will be said before weekday masses.

4. ST. HERBERT'S COFFEE MORNING: The next Coffee Morning being held Sunday, 13th October following the 11am mass will be a Fund Raiser for the Macmillan Cancer Support. Gifts of raffle prizes and home-made cakes left at the back of church would be greatly appreciated.

5. CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY – FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER: Please take an envelope this weekend and return it next weekend. You can also give online at cafod.org.uk Thank you.

6. UP AND COMING EVENTS AT PARISH OF DIVINE MERCY:

4th October - Family Night (St Herbert's).

24th November - Christmas Fayre (St Herbert's).

1st December - Christmas Fayre (Corpus Christi).

3 December Parish Christmas Meal @ San Rocco, see details in the newsletter.

15th December - Brass Band 2pm-4pm (Corpus Christi).

New Year's Eve Dance with Franny Ward - St Herbert's Parish Centre.

7. XAVERIAN SIXTH FORM COLLEGE OPEN DAYS:

Xaverian College is holding two open days on Saturday, 5

October and Sunday, 13 October from 10.30 am – 2.00 pm. These Open Days provide young people in Catholic High Schools with the opportunity to visit the College with their families, discuss courses, admissions and other matters with subject teachers and senior staff and explore the next stage in their continuing Catholic education.

8. TAKE ACTION ON TWO-CHILD BENEFIT CAP:

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is inviting you to join other Catholics in taking action on the government's two-child policy on Universal Credit payments for vulnerable, larger families. All you need to do is complete a short e-Action form that automatically contacts your MP to outline your opposition the cap to Head to

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/contact-mp-two-child-cap/>

to find out more and complete the form.

9. CHRISTMAS MEAL: The Christmas meal has been confirmed. It will be held on Tuesday 3rd December at San Rocco, Broadway at 12.30 pm. The price of the 3-course lunch is £25.50. Names and a £10.00 deposit will be collected 26th & 27th October and 2nd and 3rd November. The final balance and meal choice will be collected on the 16th & 17th November and the 23rd & 24th November.

10. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA):

For any adults who wish to join the Church, an instruction course will commence Tuesday, October 8. Please inform Fr. Lawrence if you wish to be included.

11. BISHOP'S VISIT: The Bishop will be visiting St Herbert's School on the 10th October. He will bless the new entrance and then celebrate Mass at 10.00 clock. We would like to invite the parish family to the Mass. If you would like to join us, please ring the school office on 0161 633 1318 to confirm your attendance. This is to ensure there will be enough seats for everyone. Please arrive at school for 9.45am. We look forward to you joining us on this special occasion.

12. BINGO: Every Thursday evening in St Herbert's Parish Centre at 8.00 pm.

HYMNS

CORPUS CHRISTI: Entrance: 568; Offertory: 641, 122; Communion: 628; Recessional: 730.

ST HERBERT'S: Entrance: 730; Offertory: 641; Communion: 307, 511; Recessional: 169.

13. YOUNG ADULTS MASS: Young adults across the diocese are once again invited to join our next Diocesan Mass for Young Adults. The Mass will take place at 5.30pm on Sunday 13 October at St Augustine's, Manchester. Mass will be followed by a social and the next instalment of our fascinating series of talks on Catholic apologetics by delving into the world of G K Chesterton's *Orthodoxy*.

14. SCHOOL NEWS

Corpus Christi: It has been a busy week for some of our Faith Teams in school. This week our new Pupil Chaplains were commissioned during the first whole school mass of the year. It was lovely to see them finally presented with their new Chaplain tie and begin their journey as a Pupil Chaplain. This week, we also saw our new Mini Vinnies be commissioned too. They were officially commissioned on the feast day of St Vincent de Paul. They, too, are very excited to begin their journey as a Mini Vinnie and begin their work. We look forward to seeing all the work our Pupil Chaplains and Mini Vinnies do this year. They have many exciting projects in the line. On Thursday, we all loved being back in Church with our school and parish family. We thank our parish for their kind words about the

Mass - it is always great to hear your feedback.

St Herbert's: This week in school has been a very busy, but exciting week. A few weeks ago, the children were invited to make a monument from France. Well, as usual the children surpassed themselves. On Wednesday the models arrived! There was the Moulin Rouge, Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe to name a few. We invited the parents in to view the models - they were amazed at the amazing talents of our children. On Thursday the French day was held. It started off in the hall boarding a plane where air hostesses collected boarding passes. We had a pilot, who flew us to France. Have a look on Twitter! The children then went back to class to complete activities and the children even had a game of Boules. The day finished with an assembly where the children showcased their work. A fantastic day was had by all. Friday was another special day- we held a Macmillan coffee morning where the children entertained their parents, grandmas and grandads with songs, while the visitors had a cup of coffee and a cake. A great week!

SUNDAY SMILE: How many parishioners know that the first computer was mentioned in the Book of Genesis? In the story of Adam and Eve we learn that it was an Apple. However, it had hardly any memory for after one byte, everything crashed!

WEEKDAY CALENDAR

MONDAY: Both churches closed
TUESDAY: **Corpus Christi:** Rosary at 6.30 pm; Mass at 7.00 pm
WEDNESDAY: **St Herbert's:** Rosary at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am
THURSDAY: **Corpus Christi:** Rosary at 9.00 am; Mass at 9.30 am
FRIDAY: **St Herbert's:** Rosary at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am
SATURDAY: **Corpus Christi:** Private Prayer at 5.00 pm; Mass at 5.30 pm
SUNDAY: **Corpus Christi:** Private Prayer 9.00 am; Mass at 9.30 am
St Herbert's: Private Prayer 10.30 am; Mass at 11.00 am

CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE BEFORE OR AFTER MASS ON REQUEST

MASS REQUESTS

Missa pro populo

Special Intention: Bill Dooley, Private Intention, Brian & Hilda Madden, Tony & Pauline Power

R.I.P: Colette Hepburn

PRAYER FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Father, we place before you all the sick and housebound of the parish:
 Noreen Butterworth, Darren Gallier, Margaret Lawless, Sheila Cavey, Stuart Williams, Peter Stone, Wade Stevens, Luke Burke, John McCarthy, Mary Gowran, David Roberts, Mrs Monica Anne Turner, Angela Delph, Dorothy Buckley, Nora Hickey, Nancy Pinto, Mrs H Fallas, Anthony McDermott, Jean Winterbottom, Maxine Bennett, Dominic Boardman, Angela Fairgrieve, Peter Wooldridge, Pauline Powell, Phillip Lees, Andrew Lees, Mary O'Connor.

ARE YOU...

New to the Parish?
 Know someone who is sick or in hospital?
 Can you help the parish or us you?
 Like a visit from the priest?

Please speak to Fr Lawrence after mass or at any convenient time.



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