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MASS TIMES

5.15pm-5.45pm Confessions

Sat Eve 14th Oct (Green) Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Yr (A)

6.00pm John & Angela Andriot's Welfare

Sunday 15th Oct (Green) Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Yr (A)

9.30am Deceased Relatives & Friends of the O'Toole Family

11.00am Erin McGarry R.I.P.

3.30pm October Devotions

Monday 16th October (Green) Mass of the Day

9.30am Mrs. Kathleen Holland R.I.P.

Tuesday 17th October (Red) St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

9.30am Margaret Fuller's Welfare

Wednesday 18th October (Red) St. Luke, Evangelist (Feast)

9.30am Tom & Sheila McNiff R.I.P.

Thursday 19th October (Green) Mass of the Day

9.30am Jim Fagan R.I.P.

Friday 20th October (Green) Mass of the Day

9.30am Fr. Stephen Boyle's Intentions

7-8pm Holy Hour

8.00pm Ron & Colleen Kelly's Welfare

Saturday 21st October (White) Our Lady

10.00am Communion Service

10.30-11.20am Exposition & Divine Mercy Chaplet.

No Morning Confessions

5.15pm-5.45pm Confessions

Sat Eve 21st Oct (Green) Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Yr (A)

6.00pm Majella Cassidy's Intention

Sunday 22nd Oct (Green) Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Yr (A)

9.30am People of the Parish **World Mission Sunday**

11.00am Noel Mooney & Family

3.30pm October Devotions

During October the Rosary will be said after Mass on Monday-Thursday mornings (unless there is a School Mass on Wednesday morning).

Collections:

Gift Aid: £402.84

Loose: £199.05 Att: 231

Bankers Orders for September: £1,126

Cafod Family Fast Day Collection: £543.99

World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his official charity for overseas mission. Your support on World Mission Sunday will help brave missionaries in proclaiming the Gospel of peace in South Sudan and around the world. Please join in this special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer, celebration and care for the mission of the Church. You will be able to Gift Aid all donations by using envelopes provided by Missio. Thank you.

Confirmation: will take place here next Sunday at the 11am Mass. Afterwards there will be tea and coffee in the School Hall where you will be able to meet the Bishop, for those who wish to do so.

The Anniversaries of two great saints this week:

St. Ignatius & St. Luke.

St. Ignatius was forty years as Bishop of Antioch and the third Bishop until he was arrested and taken to Rome in chains to be the food of wild beasts, as sport for the people and Emperor. He saw it as his way to God.

St. Luke joined St. Paul in his missionary work. He made his living as a Physician. His Gospel and its Companion – the Acts of the Apostles – gives evidence of his classical education and careful attention to detail. His is the only Gospel to relate the Parables of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son. St. John Paul II calls Luke the Gospel of Mercy.

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14 Theme: Be the Best you can Be!

This Sunday's gospel is about trying to be the best we can be! Each day we set out to consciously 'be a good living person, all the days start adding up and soon we are achieving goals we didn't even dream about! Sometimes it is not easy to do the right thing but by making a decent and hearty effort, we are on the right path.

In today's gospel the wedding invitation was opened up to all in the end. It seems harsh that the man was thrown out for not dressing up. However, it seems that this is a symbolic story for not caring enough, for not making the effort, for taking our lives for granted. Also, the gospel is telling us that not taking the teachings of Jesus as a narrative for our lives is another example of us not paying adequate attention. Jesus has blessed us with the 'garments' of life through the sacraments of baptism, reconciliation, communion and confirmation. We are called to wear our 'garments' of life with love and with a full heart, working hard to be the best version of ourselves that we can at all times.

Please pray for the sick of our Parish, especially:

Denis Barrett, Terrie Biggs, Frances Wheeler, Jean Cooper, Brenda Farrar, Joe Shields, George & Wendy Lea, Meriel Barry, Harry Howard, Michael Willoughby, Bridget Daniels & Colin Biggs, and all who care for them.

Anniversaries of the Deceased:

Olive Raher, Julia Grant & Mary Branney

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal: This year's Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal will commence this weekend, with the flat packed shoeboxes and information available from the Narthex after all Masses. The filled boxes need to be back with us by the weekend of 11th/12th November and, as in previous years, for those of you who would rather not build a shoebox but would still like to take part, then all donations will be gratefully received and Andrew will build the boxes for you. For more information regarding the shoebox operation, please see: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/occ-videos/>

Eucharistic Ministers' Afternoon of Prayer: Sunday 3rd December 3.30pm-5.30pm, with Miss Hannah Vaughan-Spruce the New Formation Advisor for Kent.