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**THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**



DATE

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>  
September 2021**

SUNDAY

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time Year B**

DIVINE OFFICE

**Week 1**

**Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am, and all weekday Masses.**

<u>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September</u> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Tom Mitchell RIP (Ann.) (CM)
<u>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September</u> <b>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	People of the Parish Monica Wild RIP (CA) Sick in the Parish (SVP)
<u>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept</u> St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon Priest and his Companions Martyrs Memorial	9.15am	In Thanksgiving (65th Wedding Ann.) (J&DC)
<u>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept</u> St. Matthew Apostle, Evangelist Feast	9.15am	Sam Cassar RIP (YD)
<u>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept</u> Feria		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept</u> St. Pio of Pietrelcina Memorial	7.30pm	Francis Patton RIP (The Kerrigans)
<u>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept</u> Our Lady of Walsingham Memorial	9.15am	David Easthope RIP (BE)
<u>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September</u> Feria (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6.00pm	Denis Healy RIP (MC) Confessions, Exposition & Benediction Kathleen Lockett RIP (JH)
<u>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September</u> <b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	Alice Murphy RIP (S&JW) Tom O'Brien RIP (BO'B) People of the Parish

## Pope Francis:

The cross was an instrument of death, yet it became the source of life. It was a horrendous sight, yet it revealed to us the beauty of God's love. That is why, in the Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross, the people of God venerate the cross and the Liturgy celebrates it.

### Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the left side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please ensure that you are seated on the right of the church.

### Annual Thanksgiving Mass

The annual diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 12noon at St. Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021 (from your 1<sup>st</sup> up to 60<sup>th</sup> (every 5 years) and every year over 60) please email Lianne Pap at:

[marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk) for your names to be listed in the Mass booklet. You can also send in 'then and now' photos to be part of the video compilation.

We are looking to find the longest married couple in the diocese, so if you think you are, or your parents or grandparents could be, then let Lianne know.

The Mass is open to all married couples, as well as those preparing to marry in 2021 but you will need to register a place via the above email address. Closing date to register for the Mass is 1<sup>st</sup> October.

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of September is:- **An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle**. We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

### Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

**Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Laoiseach Nolan, Max Miotk, Margaret & Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, John Wynne, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan <sup>née Meehan</sup>, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.**

We pray also for those who are suffering as a result of COVID-19, and for all who carry the burden of their illness privately at this time.

### 50-50 Club

The Parish 50/50 Club draw takes place every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month and cost £5 per number with a chance of winning one of the four cash prizes, the 1<sup>st</sup> prize being £150. Half of the money raised goes to supporting the parish. To enter you simply need to complete a Standing Order Form for the monthly £5 subscription.

**If you are interested in joining in with our monthly Parish 50/50 Draw please speak to either Fr. Craig or Sue W.**



Catholic Agency for  
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 43

*(Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

**Almighty God, you have given us precepts to follow in our lives: you call on us to love you and love our neighbour. We thank you for showing us the way of life; we praise your holy name.**

### Craft and Natter

Have you missed going out and socialising this last 18 months? Then come and meet the 'craft and natterers' on Tuesday – tea, coffee, and squash on tap (make your own). Come for the morning, the afternoon, or bring your lunch and stay for the whole session, 50p per session covers all you can drink and certain supplies for you to make your crafts. Come and tell us what you did in lockdown, what books or TV you were interested in, what you are looking forward to. If you are a crafter we have ideas for things to make. What are you waiting for, come along on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 11am until 3pm in the meeting room at church. There will be hand sanitiser at the door, no need for masks, social distancing seating. For more information call Christine W on 07900 604902

### Praying for the Unborn



We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in this circumstance, and come to recognise the many blessings that motherhood brings. Amen.

### Dates for your Diary

The following dates are the planned dates for the first meeting of each group or activity:

**Craft & Natter:** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September - 11am to 3pm.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September - 7.30pm.

**Whetstone Over 50's Group:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. - 2pm.

### Children's Liturgy Leaders

We are in urgent need of a few more people to go onto the Children's Liturgy rota as leaders. If you are willing to take on this important role in the life of the parish please contact Fr. Craig.

### Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Kian Mark R** and **Conor Bradley Sidney M<sup>c</sup>D** who were baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels last weekend. We pray also for their parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising them practice of the Faith.

### Kenelm Youth Trust

As we emerge from the pandemic and increase our school and programme numbers the Kenelm Youth Trust are seeking to recruit enthusiastic and capable retreat leaders and operational staff:

**Alton Castle Trainee Programme Leader, Alton Castle Programme Leader, Catering Assistant & Housekeeping Assistant.**

All information for these roles can be found on our website:

<https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/work4kyt.html>



### Adult Catechesis

We have now begun our programme of Adult Catechesis for those who are preparing to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. If you are already a Catholic and are interested in learning more about the faith you are most welcome to come along on Friday evenings at 6.30pm and join us for these sessions in the Parish Meeting Room.

### Retiring Collection

This weekend, **18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> September** there will be a retiring collection for **Catholic Evangelisation** (formally Home Mission Sunday).

Next weekend, **25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> September** there will be a retiring collection for the **Father Hudson's Society**.

### Bible Timeline Course

Understand the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testaments, with this free of charge, worldwide-famous course delivered online live by Maoru Iannicelli. Starts Wednesday **29<sup>th</sup> September 2021**. Eight Wednesday sessions starting at 7pm. For more info and to register: [www.comeandsee.org](http://www.comeandsee.org)

### Recently Deceased

Of your charity pray for the repose of the souls of **Evelyn Hawkley** who passed away aged 100, and **Noreen Blake**. On whose souls sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

### Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

**7pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

**7pm Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.**

### Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

**And finally:-** I wonder if you have ever found yourselves asking the question 'What would our Lord think of His Church if He were to return tomorrow?' I know I certainly have. So much of our time is consumed worrying and fretting, being anxious about how we are to do this, or what is going to happen. It seems we have almost completely forgotten that the Church is Divine; that the Holy Spirit is as much at work today as He was 2000 years ago. Today, in the Gospel, we encounter the disciples arguing amongst themselves about who was the greatest, about which of them was to be in charge. To resolve the argument the Lord sets before them 'a little child'. Why a little child, we might ask? The answer is quite simple – obedience and trust! Before reaching Capernaum the Lord had already explained how, in obedience to the will of the Father, He was to suffer and to die. How His death would not be the end but, trusting in the promise made by God He would rise again on the third day, and through His death eternal life would be given to all who believe in Him. With child-like trust let us place our confidence, our hope, in God, truly believing that all things are in His hands.

*May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig*