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Twenty Third Sunday of Year A Psalter Week 3 CTS Sunday Missal p. 769 Week ending: September 7th 2014

Response to the Psalm. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Gospel acclamation: God in Christ was reconciling the world to Himself, and He has entrusted to us the news that they

are reconciled.

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:

Mon: Nativity of Our Lady Wed: St Eqwin, Bishop of Worcester Fri: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Sat: St John Chrysostom

NEXT SUNDAY IS THE FEAST of the EXALTATION of the HOLY CROSS

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am In honour of Our Lady Tues: 8.30 am Donor's Intentions

Wed: 9.15 am Intentions of Sr Mary Hernan

Thurs: 11.30 am Anthony O'Dowd RIP

7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)

Fri: 9.00 - 9.45 am Adoration

10.00 am Ryan Family Intention

7.10 pm Rosary

7.30 pm HOLY COMMUNION

Sat: 9.00 am Deceased Members of the Egan Family

Sun: 11. 00 am Sarmiento Family

6.00 pm Jim Marshall RIP

Sacred Heart

Sun: 9.00 am The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS St Ambrose's: Saturday: 11.45 am - 12.45 pm; and by request

Sacred Heart: By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Jay Jay Bishop Charlie Bradbury

Eucharistic Ministers Readers

St Ambrose's Sun. 11.00 am C Geraghty, A Harris, T Hart, D Holdstock, M Holmes K Jones M Darbyshire

Sun. 6.00 pm C Hopkins, A McDermott, V Page, H Scott T Alexander, K Joyner

Sacred Heart Sun. 11.30 am S Coates, T Cole A Cole

Church Cleaners: Team E Offertory Counters: Group 2

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Fr Paul Chavasse, Albert and Elsie Barr, Joan Battye, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Margaret Blizard, Frank Bourke, Linda Button, Catherine Carroll, Nigel Collier, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Julie Cook, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Sr Maureen Fay, Anthony Georgieff, Frances Graves, Robert Hale, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Christine & Tom Hopkins, Vicki Houghton, Cindy Jones, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Marie Lane, Audrey Little, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Petronilla Marciante, Lee Maund, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Teresa Moule, Kitty Murray, Andrew Neale, Delia Nepi, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Beatrice 'Myrtle' O'Mahoney, Maureen O'Neill, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Daniel Oxenham, Joyce Parker, Jackie Peck, Chris Price, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Rita Simmonds, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Marie Stokes, Margaret Strangward, Colette Stride, Edward Sutton, Carmen Thomas, Jim Thomas, Laura Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Jean Villa, Patricia Virr, Edith Wilkes, Jake Wolfenden and Anne Youde.

A YEAR FOR THE PARISH - TOWARDS COMMUNITY - THINK PARISH

Pope Paul VI (Giovanni Battista Montini): One of the most distinguished Popes of recent times, Pope Paul VI, is to be beatified on Sunday October 19th. He was elected Pope in 1963, and for the years previously he was Archbishop of Milan, and therefore a direct successor of ST AMBROSE. Our meeting room, the MONTINI ROOM, is named in his honour. In order that we may celebrate this occasion worthily, Fr JULIAN BOOTH, Parish Priest of St John the Baptist, Great Haywood, will preside and preach at the evening Mass that Sunday. He will also bless a picture of the BEATUS, which will then be hung in the Church. There is to be a celebration afterwards. Fr Booth has recently completed a Postulator's course in Rome, and acts on behalf of the Diocese in the Cause of Blessed Dominic Barberi. Please note this date carefully.

Montini Group: This year's series of talks and discussion on the Catholic Faith, for prospective members of the Catholic Church and for members of the Parish, will be based on the magnificent writings of Pope Paul VI. We shall meet in the Montini Room on Tuesday evenings at 7.45 pm commencing on September 30th and ending on March 3rd 2015. The first evening will be an introduction to the life and work of Pope Paul. We shall consider his four most important Encyclical letters: ECCLESIAM SUI (on the Catholic Church); HUMANAE VITAE (on all issues concerning human life and procreation); POPULORUM PROGRESSIO (about justice); and EVANGELII NUNTIANDI (on the Proclamation of the Gospel). Pope Paul also wrote two beautiful letters on the Holy Eucharist (MYSTERIUM FIDEI) and on Devotion to Our Lady (MARIALIS CULTUS); and two of the sermons given in the Divine Office (on the Holy Family, and on the Person of Christ) are among the finest of the twentieth century. Copies of the programme are available this weekend, and I ask that these meetings should be well publicised. Thank you.

Parish Centre: A resumé on the changed nature of our Parish premises and their future use will be included in the homily this weekend.

Anniversary: Next Thursday is the anniversary of the death in 1920 of Fr WILLIAM BERNARD O'DOWD, (Parish Priest 1908 – 1913). From here, he moved to be Principal of the Student House at Cambridge. He is buried, with other members of his family, alongside the Church of Our Lady and St Thomas of Canterbury in Dudley.

Teas and Coffees: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 11.00 am Mass today by the Children's Liturgy and the Pre-School Groups and next Sunday by the Rambling Group and the Choir.

Harvington Pilgrimage: Please remember the Pilgrimage at Harvington this afternoon, in honour of the English Martyrs. The Mass is at 3 pm and the Principal Celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Robert Byrne. Please bring a comfortable chair. Teas are available after the Mass, as are pre-booked tours of the Hall.

A message from Lord Camoys: BBC Songs of Praise at Stonor is to be broadcast on BBC I or BBC 2 on Sunday 7th September. I think that you and your community may be interested in watching a one-off TV episode of Songs of Praise which examines the role of Private Chapels both historically and today. The ancient Stonor Chapel is one of those chosen by the BBC and I hope that you may find it interesting.

Society of St Vincent de Paul: The next meeting of the SVP takes place on Monday September 8th at 11 am in the Adams Lounge/Wheatley Room (note change of venue). New members welcome.

Next Friday Evening: Unfortunately there will NOT be a Mass in the Old Rite next Friday as I have been invited to join others in a farewell Mass for one of the great priests of this Diocese, Fr Sean McTernan, who is retiring to Ireland next week after 64 years of priestly service, mainly at St Teresa's Perry Barr, where he was Parish Priest for over 40 years.

Priests from Bamenda: Three priests from Bamenda, who are associated with the Catechetical project based at Maryvale and pioneered in the Cameroons by Norman & Liz Taylor, will be concelebrating Mass next Sunday at Tenbury. They will be based in parishes in the Diocese (one of them in this Deanery at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Redditch) for the next three years.

Austerity Lunch: There will be an Austerity Lunch next Sunday at Trinity Methodist Church from 12.30 pm in support of Christian Aid. **Parish Ramble:** Saturday, 20 September, 10.30 am, Pershore. Drive through Pershore, over the bridge on the Evesham Road. Meet at car park on left. For more details contact Bernard Page on K 637456.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: This year's coffee morning is on Friday 26th September in the Borromeo Hall from 9. 00 am to 12.30 pm. Please make a note in your diary to support this very worthwhile cause. Please join us for coffee, cake and a chat.

Question Time: An evening with political figures from the Wyre Forest area and others has been arranged on Friday October 3rd at St George's Hall, in Bewdley. Tickets £10. Please see the notice board for details.

Mysteries of Grace: A day of prayer and reflection on the mysteries of the Rosary will take place at Belmont Abbey on Saturday October 4th 10 am to 4 pm. Please see the notice board for details.

Finances:

- i: There have been further significant donations for the Tabernacle Fund. We thank those who have asked to be associated with this project.
- ii. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £1017.95 (Envelope Scheme £378, Loose £639.95).
- iii. Donations to CAFOD were £4.20
- iv. Thanks to our Whist Players who have contributed yet another donation of £100. They meet in the Borromeo Hall each Wednesday at 2 pm and new members (of whatever standard or beginners) are welcome.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Mary Preston (07513 295817) or 07742 730680.