

Twenty-Sixth Sunday

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Response to the Intercessions:

Inspiring both will and deed.

Prayer to Our Lady:

Hail Mary

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Readings next Sunday:

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Philippians 4:6-9

Matthew 21: 33-43

Second Collection this week and next:

Is for the Church Maintenance Fund:

Union of Catholic Mothers

Please join the mothers in the hall for tea, coffee and cake sale after the **9am Mass** in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Support.**

Meeting on Tuesday 3 October at 8pm. Activity: Bingo

St Vincent DePaul Society

The SVP society in our parish will be giving a talk at all Masses next weekend. They will also be asking for your generous support on behalf of the society.

Dates for your Diary

5 Nov- Annual Cemetery Mass

11 Nov- Annual Day of Recollection

18 Nov- Parish Autumn Fair

UCM Prayer

Lord Jesus you lived with Mary and Joseph at Nazareth and enjoyed family life, growing in wisdom and stature in the sight of God the Father and ourselves. Help the members of the Union Catholic Mothers to follow this example in prayer, love and active witness to Marriage, Family and Christian Life in the world. Make us understanding and caring to all experiencing difficulties and generous in support, so that one day we may all rejoice together in our Eternal Home.
AMEN

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Loving Father, touch and transform us by the joy of your love. Make us missionary disciples, empowered to carry the love of Christ to our neighbour. May young people be inspired by our example to take up the path of Christian discipleship and dedicate their lives to the service of the Gospel. Raise up new vocations by the power of your Holy Spirit to the priesthood and the consecrated life: send us men and women inspired to be living signs of your mercy. Grant us all an openness of heart that we might readily respond to your call, and proclaim with joy the Good News to the whole world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Housecalls Sun 8 Oct

Mrs A Doe, Ms M McGee
Mr I Reeves, Mr T Cheng
Mrs G John Baptiste, Mr J Abraham

Readers Sun 8 Oct

Ms N Mehari (Sat 6:30pm Mass)
Mrs E Sanders (Sun 9am Mass)
Mr A Braun (Sun 11am)

Offertory Sun 8 Oct

Vacant (Sat 6:30pm Mass)
UCM (Sun 9am Mass)
Gooding Family (Sun 11am Mass)

Church Cleaning Sat 7 Oct

Arinze/Chika, Patience

Flower Arranging 7 Oct

Mrs. E Kelly

Collection Counters

This Monday 2 Oct

Mr G Fonseca, Mr S Darion
Mr S Thompson

Next Sun 8 Oct

Mr C Burford, Mr J Remedios
Ms B Cunningham

This week's teas and coffee will be served by:

Union of Catholic Mothers (9am)
Filipino Community (11am)

Next week's teas and coffee will be served by:

Mrs E Sanders/Mrs M Schwarz

If you are unable to fulfil your duty then please arrange for a substitute.

Finance for 24 September 2017

First Collection	£
Gift Aid Envelope	77
Loose	310
84 Bankers Orders	460
Parish Total	£847
CAFOD	619
Mass Attendance	367

As usual your generosity is always appreciated.

St. Matthew's Church Newsletter

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY

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1 OCTOBER 2017


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Parish Priest : Fr. Anthony Cassidy

Confessions: Thurs 10:15-10:45, Sat 5.30-6:00pm & at call

Marriage and Baptism Preparation by appointment only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 10-11am

Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

Mass Times Saturday 6:30pm , Sunday 9 am & 11am

Morning Mass 9:30am (Tue, Wed Thurs & Fri)

Fr. Anthony Bailey, Mr Patrick Heneghan,
Mrs Maureen Sheehan, Mr Martin Fisher,
Ms Shelagh Mc Donough.

Please keep them in your prayers.

From Father Anthony's Desk:

Many parishioners have commented very favourably on the new balustrade at the front of the choir loft, and on how much brighter the church is now that we have the full benefit of the long windows in the west wall. Thanks to Frederick, a new member of the choir who installed it himself. I should like to thank him most sincerely for his generosity in terms of time and materials. (The choir would like to try singing from the gallery as they feel rather cut off from the liturgy, due to their position behind the pillars at ground level.) This significant change is hopefully the beginning of the re-ordering of the sanctuary: we now have a loan to cover the cost from St Augustine's parish, Tunbridge Wells, and the builders are due to come for a meeting this week.

As most of you will be aware, we were caught up with the drama last Sunday of the tragically fatal stabbing in Dunbar Street, when the Air Ambulance helicopter landed in our car park. This was featured in a photograph on the front page of the first edition of the Evening Standard on Monday. In answer to several queries, I have to admit that those were my legs which could be glimpsed in the picture ...

Parish Sick List

Michael ,Mrs Dorothy Nichol, Monsignor James O'Neill, Mrs Mary Wallace, Mrs Peggy Phillips,

SCHOOLS

Primary to Secondary transfers

Open Mornings & Evenings

Bishop Thomas Grant School

Sixth Form 6:30pm-9:00pm Mon 16 October

St Philomena's

Sixth Form 5:30pm-8:00pm Tue 10 October

St Mary's Catholic

10am-11am Saturday 6 October

For full details of Headteacher's talks and tours, see posters on the notice board in the narthex.

AUTUMN FAIR PLANNING MEETING MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER AT 7PM

All parishioners are encouraged to attend a planning meeting for the Autumn Fair.

All offers of help are welcome, before, during and after the event itself. The Autumn Fair will take place on Saturday 18 November from 11am to 3:30pm. It's a wonderful parish event and we need your ideas to make it a success. Please do come along to a meeting on Monday 2nd October at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

We look forward to seeing you there!