

THE 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING (Leviticus 19:1-2; 17-18)

A reading from the book of Leviticus

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: "Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.'

"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence: this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord."

The word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalm 102*

Response: The Lord is compassion and love.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **R/**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **R/**
3. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **R/**
4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R/**

SECOND READING (1 Corinthians 3:16-23)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you think of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom

of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are, or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

The word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God**

ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (Matthew 5:38-48)

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

"You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just your heavenly Father is perfect."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



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YEAR A – SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year of the Word

23rd February 2020 – Psalter Week III

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| Sat 22nd | SEVENTH SUNDAY | 5.00pm | Michelle Ryan | St. Mary's |
| Sun 23rd | IN ORDINARY TIME | 9.00am | Enid Turner | St. Paul's |
| | | 11.00am | Jason Jones | St. Mary's |
| Mon 24th | | 9.30am | Word and Communion | St. Mary's |
| Tues 25th | | 7.00pm | Winifred Jarvis | St. Mary's |
| Wed 26th | Ash Wednesday | 9.30am | Ashes Service St. Mary's School | |
| | | 12.00pm | Charlie Walsh | St Paul's |
| Thurs 27th | | 9.30am | Anne Howells | St. Mary's |
| | | 7.00pm | Year of the Word Course – session 7 | L. Room |
| Fri 28th | | 12.00pm | Catherine Godbert | St. Mary's |
| | | 12.30pm | Soup & Sandwiches in Lower Room | |
| Sat 29th | FIRST SUNDAY OF | 5.00pm | Mary & Joe Cotter | St. Mary's |
| Sun 1st | LENT | 9.00am | Thanksgiving | St. Paul's |
| | | 11.00am | Bob & Pat Wattle | St. Mary's |



Confessions 4.00pm-4.30pm Saturday and on request

Newsletter Contributions to St Mary's Presbytery by noon on Wednesday.

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YEAR OF THE WORD PRAYER

Living God,
You walk alongside us and
Speak to us throughout the scriptures.
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
Listens to our hopes and fears
And shows us how to live for one another.
Send us the Holy Spirit
To open our hearts and minds
So that we may be your witnesses
Throughout the world.
Amen

We shall recite this prayer before the start of the Sunday readings each week.

PRAYER REMEMBRANCE

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially, Angela Williams Liz McCandless, Sharon Kelly, Brian McSweeney, Rev. Rosemary Freeman, Kath Fullerton, and Margaret Craig.

We remember all those who have died recently, especially:

Matthew Winnall, Funeral Tues. 3rd March
Margaret Courtney, Funeral Thurs. 6th March
Susan Jones Funeral Fri. 13th March

Also, Enid Turner*, Rita, Ann Howells, Jose Vazquez, Maureen Evans, Denise Lynch, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

*Iris Turner (sister of Enid Turner) would like to thank the parish for remembering her in the prayer list over the past weeks.

MONEY MATTERS

Offertory: £1,036.17
250 Club: £ 120.50
Winner: Yvonne Stokes
Many thanks for your generosity.

Some people have asked for Parish envelopes. The next new batch of envelopes will start at the beginning of the financial Year and will appear in due course.

If you wish to take out a standing order, or to "gift aid" your donation, this can also be arranged. Whatever way you give, many thanks for your generosity to the Church.

CAFOD LUNCHES IN LENT

Once again, we will be holding our Soup and Roll on Friday lunch times during Lent. If you would like to organise one of these Fridays please contact the parish office or see list at back of church.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

The forms for enrolment in the First Forgiveness (28th March) and First Holy Communion (30th May) programmes are now available. Maureen, Tracey, Kate and Joanne have kindly agreed to run the course for us. The forms for enrolment in the programme for Confirmation (28th May) are also available. Noreen O'Neill has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the course, assisted by Jim and Sue.

PAX CHRISTI

On February 23rd "Peacebuilding and Reconciliation" - the speaker is Theresa Alessandro - national Director of Pax Christi. St Mary's Parish Centre, Vivian Road, Harborne, B17 0DN. Start: 1.30 (tea/coffee) for talk at 2, discussion, Q&A, finish 4.00. Many thanks.

PARISH PASTORAL GROUP

The present members have been re-elected: Chris Braganza, Frank Cole, Sue Conneely, Roy Griffiths, Margaret Hyde & Maureen Prior.

With the edition of Prem Joseph Chethimattom and Graham Dean.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Prepared by The Women from Zimbabwe.
Dawley Christian Centre, Friday March 6th
2.30 pm - Everyone Welcome

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

4th to 5th July, 2020 an Opportunity for all Married Couples to enrich their marriage and renew their commitment to one another. A non-residential Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held at Savio House, Bollington, Nr Macclesfield, SK10 5RW Book now at www.wwme.org.uk or for more information contact Charles & Krysia Golabek on 01625 263627 charles.golabek@ntlworld.com or Mark & Liz Dutton on 01625 428498 lizmark@lizmark1.co.uk. There are Travel Lodges in Adlington & Macclesfield and a Premier Inn in Tytherington - all within 3 miles..

AUTUMN PARISH TRIP

We have booked a trip to Amsterdam - Holland £499 per person for 28th September 5 days, dinner bed and breakfast.

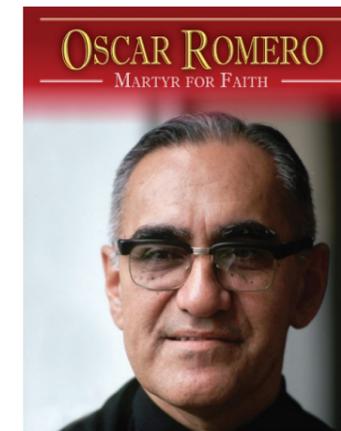
See noticeboard for details.

All single rooms went on the first weekend!



There is one double and some twin rooms still available.

DEANERY DAY OF RECOLLECTION



Following the success of the last Deanery Day of Recollection, we have arranged another one, on Saturday, 14th March, this time reflecting on the life and example of Saint Oscar Romero. The day will be led by David McLoughlin (Emeritus Fellow of Newman University, Birmingham).

The venue will be Our Lady of the Rosary and St Luke's Church, Church Road, Trench (sat nav. TF2 7HG). The Day will begin with tea and coffee at 10.30am and will conclude at approximately 3pm. Please bring your packed lunch. There is no cost to the Day itself.

All are most welcome.

IRISH NIGHT

Friday March 20th in the Valley Hotel, Ironbridge

Buffet & Live music from Annie Mac
Booking forms now available



SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

First Sunday of every month starting on Sunday, 1st March 12.30pm at the Madebrook, Madeley. See notice at back of church. Lifts can be arranged if required.

DIARY

February

26th Ash Wednesday- **LENT BEGINS**
28th Soup & Sandwiches in Lower Room after 12.00pm Mass

March

1st Sunday lunch Club
6th Family Fast Day/ Women's World Day of Prayer
7th First Sacraments programme begins (First Forgiveness & First Holy Communion)
Teas & Coffees after 5pm Mass
14th Oscar Romero- A Day of Recollection - David McLoughlin (Emeritus Fellow of Newman University) at Our Lady's, Trench.
Irish Night - Valley Hotel
20th Confirmation Programme begins.
25th

FROM THE DIOCESAN MISSION FOR CATECHISTS AND VOLUNTEERS:

How to evaluate and choose resources for sacramental preparation.

St Mary's, Middlewich:

14th March: What makes a good resource?
20th June 2020: Exploring Good resources!
10.30 am - 3.00pm at St Mary's, New King Street, Middlewich, Cheshire, (sat nav. CW10 9EB).