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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH NEWS ITEMS

In our world our identity is usually 'given' to us through whoever others think we are. Jesus is different. He is not the Christ because people think He is, but because that happens to be His inner nature; in other words, part of His very essence. Christ is Son of God, and the gift of the Father to humanity. And His need for others to acknowledge that He is the Christ is for their sake, not His own. Peter, too, has an identity. It is his by the will of the Lord and not because of any popular acclaim. Yet, Peter does not understand that identity, because it can only be understood through the power of the Risen Christ. In fact, Simon does not know what it is to be Peter until he has begun his mission. Peter will struggle with this, just as it is the part of the struggle of every human to become who they truly are. The popes in Rome are indeed the successors of St. Peter, but this does not mean there is nothing of St. Peter in ordinary Christians. Each one of us may be called to be a rock in the world, something that others can build on. We may not even know in this life how many people depend on us, but we might be astonished at how fruitful our lives have been. Each one of us has to say to Jesus for ourselves: "You are the Christ".

Fr. Andrew Franklin, who is coming from Christ the King parish in Coventry, is to be the new Parish Priest of St. Joseph's. Fr. Andy will be joining the parish in September and I know that you will give him a warm welcome and great support in his ministry here. As a parish, we are grateful for his willingness to come and serve the Church in Whitnash. For my part, I would like to thank you all for your kind words and warm wishes at this time.
Fr. Bob

Little Red Boxes: Primarily this is an opportunity to thank parishioners who hold the Mission collecting boxes in their homes. Your generosity enables so much good work to be done in the Missions and is appreciated enormously. It is usual at this time of year to collect all the boxes in to be emptied. This year, it is really important to have every box back, even if it is not full or has very little in it, because the old £1 coins will soon be out of commission and worthless. **Please bring them in at any time before 10th September.** If you think you've got one hidden away somewhere, perhaps you could search it out! June and Lennie will be happy to take them from you, if you see them, otherwise you can leave them in the sacristy and they will be collected. Thank you!

200 Club: The September collection will be after all Masses on 3rd September.

Lectio Divina: The next Scripture Reflection Hour will be on the third Friday of September ie 15th, at 10.00am in

the Holy Family Room. Everyone is welcome to this gentle meditation on the coming Sunday's Gospel reading.

Harvington Pilgrimage - Sunday 3rd September

Coach starts at St Peter's Leamington leaving at **10.15am** and then leaves St Francis Kenilworth at **10.30am**. Tours of Harvington Hall have been booked (at no extra cost) at 12.20pm and 12.45pm. Mass with Bishop Robert Byrne is at 3pm. Bring a chair and a packed lunch. Coach leaves Harvington Hall at **5.30pm**.

To book your place on the coach and a tour phone either Peter Dimambro 01926 428399 or Peter Shiels 01926 853494 (for Kenilworth). Please pay in cash on the day, maximum £15@ (may be less), under 16 free.

CAFOD's campaign on ClimateChange:

CAFOD is asking the World Bank to give more support through their Energy Fund for children's education in poor countries by the provision of renewable energy. This would transform lives for children, so they don't have to depend on unreliable, dangerous and unhealthy energy sources. **You can support this initiative by signing a campaign card on the table in the Narthex and leave it in the box. Thank you.**

Notification of Marriage:

Alexander Richard Higham and Luisa Francesca Carpanini in Northern Italy (26/08/2017 at 3.00pm local time)

Let us keep the sick and the housebound of our parish in our prayers

Edna Hales, Sue Cleary, Shelagh Price, Jenny Bamber, Hollie Sauvage, Maureen Cowell, Suzanna King, Michael Gallagher, Enda McSharry, Eileen Hiorns, Patricia Robinson, Mary Darby, Brendan Patterson

**Heathcote Hospital
The Lawns**

Lena La Spisa, Mario Fasi
Bridget Hunt, Mary Behan, Rosa Venetico, John L'Estrange, Kathleen Hammond,

**Clarence House
Clarendon Manor
Castle Brook
Galanos House**

Winifred Galvin
Mary Craig, Marie Kelly, Sally Angele Handford, Christina Kelly
Marjorie Smedley, Frances Lovell

NEXT WEEK 3.9.17	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
8.00am	Ted Forde	Kim Kearns, Jill Sheard, Pauline Mills
5.30pm	Carol Bowler	May Murphy, Josie Whittington, Julia Leask



This week Our Lady's 7 Day candle burns for Mario Fasi for his recovery and well-being

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 26 August VIGIL	OL SP	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Thomas Ryan Sarah Cary Ted Cunningham	Confessions: OL: 11.45am SP: 4.15pm
Sunday 27 August <i>Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time A</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Micael Murphy (M+D) Paddy Dunbar Patrick Thornton Edward Heffernan Roisin & Tommy Blair Peter Watts	SP: Holy Hour & Exposition 3.00-4.00pm
Monday 28 August <i>Psalter Week 1</i> <i>St Augustine</i> <i>*BANK HOLIDAY*</i>	SP SJ	10.00 am 10.00 am	Mrs Buckley Robert Griffin (MH) David Harwar (C&J)	
Tuesday 29 August <i>Beheading of St John the Baptist</i>	SJ SP	11.00 am 12.30 pm	<u>Requiem:</u> Minnie Stack Joyce Hodges	Rosary: SJ No morning Rosary SP Noon
Wednesday 30 August <i>Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward</i>	OL SP	12.00 pm 12.30 pm	Daniel & Christine Linehan John O'Rourke & Richard Linehan Gerry Quinn	Rosary: SP Noon
Thursday 31 August <i>Feria</i>	SP OL SJ	12.30 pm 1.00 pm 7.00 pm	Denis Dineen <u>Funeral Service:</u> Jonas Kunigiskis Jerry Noonan (BS)	Rosary: SP Noon
Friday 1 September <i>Feria</i> <i>First Friday</i>	OL SP SJ	12.00 pm 12.30 pm 7.00 pm	Mick Dowling <u>Requiem:</u> Anna Foley Michael Dowling	Rosary: SJ No morning Rosary SP: Noon SJ: Mass with Novena to the Sacred Heart
Saturday 2 September <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i> VIGIL	SJ SP OL SP	9.30 am 10.00 am 12.30 pm 5.00 pm	The Grace of Perseverance for our Confirmandi & Jack Shepherd (JP) For Grandparents David Ayres Vera & Frank Sloane Patrick McHale Hugh Cashin	SJ: 9.15am Morning Prayer Confessions: SP: 9.15am & Exposition SJ: 10.00-10.30am & Exposition OL: 11.45am
Sunday 3 September <i>Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time A</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Jerry Noonan (H&MB) Michael Feely & Chloe Rousseau James Hannon Michael Dowling (LD)	SP: Holy Hour & Exposition 3.00-4.00pm

The Gift: Life in the Spirit Seminars;

The CaFE series, The Gift, will be running on Wednesday afternoons 1.15-2.45pm starting **September 13th over 6 weeks** in Lillington (28 Cubbington Road, CV32 7AB). The course is an inspiring and practical way to encounter the Holy Spirit and to be empowered to share your faith. Each week we will watch a 30 minute DVD presentation and spend time reflecting on the teaching in small groups. There are daily scripture readings which accompany the course and it is an opportunity to meet others from the Church. For more details and to join the course please contact Caroline Graham on 01926 2 5 7 1 2 3 / Caroline@readyforbaby.co.uk
For more information go to: www.thegiftofthespirit.org

SVP Annual Mass: This will be on Saturday 23rd September at 12 noon in the Cathedral, followed by a gathering in the Grimshaw Room with light refreshments, and then a talk in the Cathedral by Ann Widdecomb, entitled "Forgotten Behind Walls." All are welcome.

Anniversaries

Mary McGreevy, Bridie Blackaby, Frances Clark

May they rest in peace

RECENTLY DECEASED

Minnie Stack: Minnie has been a long-time and very active parishioner of St. Joseph's, most recently running the Piety Shop for many years. She died on Monday 7th August in Warwick Hospital. We offer our sympathies and condolences to her husband Mike and the extended family. Her Requiem Mass will take place at St. Joseph's on Tuesday 29th August at 11.00am. followed by burial at Oscott cemetery

THE COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon: No Dancing
Tues: 10.30am Tuesday Club
Hall booked pm
Wed: No Art Group
Thurs: Church Cleaning - Team 2
No Music Group until 14th Sept
7.00pm Weight Watchers
Fri: 5.30pm Karate
Sat: 7.30 , 9.30 + 11.30am Slimming World

LAST WEEK 20.8.17

Offertory Collection: £404.06
Many thanks.
2nd Collection: Parish Maintenance £144.95
Attendance 240