



~ **Rooted in Christ, the Word of God, to evangelise and serve** ~  
**Sunday 21st October 2018**  
**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**CONFESSIONS - Sunday 5.30 to 5.50pm and Wednesday 6 to 6.30pm**

**Entrance antiphon\*:**  
 To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

**Psalm R/:**  
 May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

**Acclamation:**  
 I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me.

**Communion antiphon\*:**  
 Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

*\* Not said if sung Mass*

**NOTICES**

**Offertory**

Our offertory collection last week amounted to £185.20 plus £735 by Standing Order. Many thanks.

**Diocesan Prayer Link**

St Bonaventure, Bishopston, Bristol.

**Cleaning Rota**

Team C

**Adoration**

Tuesday 1pm-1.50pm and Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 6.45pm and Perpetual: Thursday 10am to Friday 7pm.

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Wednesday mornings.

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**MASS TIMES THIS WEEK**

Cycle: B (II) Liturgy of the hours: Ps1

|            | Sunday                  | Mon | Tue        | Wed     | Thursday                  | Friday                             | Sat  |
|------------|-------------------------|-----|------------|---------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|------|
| <b>StF</b> | 11am<br>6pm             | 4am | 2pm Rosary | No Mass | 11-30am<br>Funeral<br>6pm | 9am Praying the<br>Sunday readings | -    |
| <b>StJ</b> | 6pm (Sat, vigil)<br>9am | -   | No Mass    | -       | -                         | 10am                               | 10am |

Jesus, in Mark's Gospel, reveals himself as the one who serves, as the one who reaches out in tenderness, as the one who lowers himself and empties himself out of love for others. It's Jesus' words and his actions that reveal to the disciples the need, not so much to be the first or the greatest or the most powerful or the best or the most successful, but to encounter God in others and serve God, love God, in them. The disciples find that a hard lesson to learn but they have Jesus, not just to instruct them, but to show them. The cross reveals that service and that emptying in action. If we want to be considered great it's not because we have trampled on everyone to get where we feel we need to be; it's that we have loved and loved and loved...giving everything.

**Praise and Worship Evening - TONIGHT**

This is after the 6pm Mass at 1900 - 2030 for Worship. 2030 - 2130 for bring and share (leave whenever) Led by Backwell School's CU.

5\* Reviews from last year:

*uplifting - the church was full of music and song - you'll go home singing - a real witness to others - can we have this every week?*

Come and see and hear for yourself!

**PRAYER BOARD**

**Please remember in your prayers the following who are sick/housebound:**

Theresa Parkes, Christine Broderick, Tony Madden, Kathleen McGhee, Nancy Evans, Josef Leduchowicz and Pauline Hill.

**Anniversaries:** 21st October, Sr Augustine; 23rd October, Louise Fraher, 1989. Alan Pate, 1992. Jean Anne Cecilia Stone, 2015; 24th October, Catherine Killelea, 2000; 25th October, Joseph Sampson, 1986; 27th October, Sally Evans, 1994.

## **Film Nights**

Two more coming up: on Wednesday 7th November as we prepare for the beatification of the monks of Tibhirine, we will show the film "Of Gods and Men" and on Wednesday 12th December the film about Pope Francis "A man of his word".

## **Port of Bristol Seafarers Christmas Boxes**

The Mission to Seafarers provides help and support to the 1.5 million men and women who face danger every day to keep our global economy afloat.

As you may begin thinking about your Christmas preparations perhaps you would like to help some seafarers to celebrate when they maybe away from home for months at a time. As last year we will be collecting Christmas gift boxes for seafarers who dock at Portishead. In the porch there will be some boxes available for you to fill. A list of some of the gifts the seafarers appreciate is in the boxes. We will be collecting these boxes during November. Full boxes can be left in the sacristy.

## **Retail Therapy for Ladies**

The Ladies circle is having a Coach Outing to Street this month instead of the usual meeting. There are still 2 seats left on the coach so if anyone would like to join us on Tuesday 30th October please phone Jenny Oates 852806. Cost £13. A wonderful opportunity to get

those Christmas presents early and at bargain prices!!

## **Help required**

Middle aged (Young at Heart), disabled lady desperately seeking someone to help me run my own home. General light household duties, hoovering, ironing etc. Please telephone 01275 540092 for an informal chat – Location Long Ashton.

## **Year of Prayer**

Bishop Declan is inviting our diocesan community to come together ahead of the launch of the 'Year of Prayer'. There are two events to which the bishop extends an invitation in the hope that each of our parishes and communities is represented.

Encounter the Lord

On Saturday 10 November we gather at St Brendan's College, Brislington, (10.15am to 3pm) with David Wells who will help us reflect upon Encounter the Lord. The day at St Brendan's is set to prepare us for the coming Year of Prayer (beginning the first Sunday of Advent) and introduce us to the resources that will be available to us from the end of November. All are welcome and it would be good if each parish was represented. Whilst we do not need names it would be useful to have an idea of how many are coming from your parish: please let the Adult Education office know by 6 November. Participants will need to bring a packed lunch for this day.

Evening Prayer

On Tuesday 27 November at 7pm in our Cathedral, Bishop Declan invites our parishes and communities to join him at a celebration of Evening Prayer during which he will present to each parish, community and school the resources for the Year of Prayer starting the following weekend. As we did with the Year of Mission, each community will be called forward to receive the Year's resources.

## **Newsletter for next week**

This needs to be prepared early, so can any material be sent to Elaine by 11am tomorrow (Monday) morning.

## **RIP**

The funeral service will take place at St Francis' Church on Thursday, 25th October at 11:30 AM for Mary Hayden who died recently. We pray for her and her family.