

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sorry, no livestream this week due to a fault

Saturday 3rd September
5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday)
5.30pm *Patricia Payne RIP*

Sunday 4th September
Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am *Mobolaji Oduntan's Birthday - In Thanksgiving*
11am *Noeleen and Jim McGeehan RIP*

Tuesday 6th September - Feria
7pm *Naidi Egbuga RIP*

Wednesday 7th September - Feria
9.30am

Thursday 8th September - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast
9.30am
7.30pm *Ladies of the UCM*

Friday 9th September - Feria
9.30am *Nazzarena Vella and Peter Mbonu RIP*

Saturday 10th September
5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday)
5.30pm

Sunday 11th September
Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am
11am *Cecilia de Aguiar Souza Macedo RIP*

(F) *Foundation Mass*
(P) *Perpetual Mass*

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturdays 5pm - 5.20pm and by appointment



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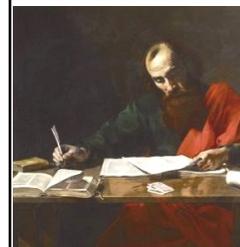
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4th September 2022: Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C



We hear a lot about calculating the cost of discipleship, but how many people actually sit down and do exactly that... calculate the cost.

We certainly do our calculations if we're paying a visit to the bank manager for a loan. We certainly start calculating if we're down to small change and there are two long weeks left to pay day. Today Jesus tells us that calculating the cost of discipleship

should be no different. "For which of you intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it?"

Discipleship means different things to do different people at different stages in their lives. Discipleship might mean deciding how best to use our gifts to help people at home and in the work place. Discipleship might mean coming up with a plan to transform a local community or some kind of global project. Whatever our vision we will need to sit down and plan it. Inevitably this will involve personal cost and if we don't calculate that cost, we are setting ourselves up to fail before we have begun. Will we be able to accomplish our plans alone or will we need help? How will we make time to achieve our goals and will this involve an element of sacrifice? Do we have enough money to realise our ideas or will we need to fundraise? Do we have the necessary skills or will we have to step out of our comfort zones in order to learn something new?

In today's gospel Jesus says, "Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple." Discipleship is demanding. Jesus is looking for a full-time commitment. Discipleship is not something that can be slotted easily and comfortably into our existing life styles. Discipleship involves cost, and today's invitation is to sit down and calculate whether that cost is within our means.



Please remember all who are sick, especially, Joyce Unwin, Hugh Dwan, Mary Ann Froude, Daniel Sutton, Joseph Nemeth, Sarah White, John Butterworth, Pat Hall, Joy Phillips, Fr Jim Joyce and Sr Veronica.

Welcome

As we sadly say goodbye to Fr Anthony Ezeani this weekend please join us in welcoming back Fr Oliver who will be with us throughout September. Fr Oliver's presence means that Canon Simon can now take a break during this time.

Parish Picnic/BBQ - Sunday 4th September

If you are attending the picnic and bbq please remember to bring your picnic blankets and chairs! If you are able to bring your own plates, cups and cutlery this also helps. The weather forecast suggests possible showers but we can move into the Keenan Rooms if this happens. We have a Mr Whippy ice cream van coming to give out ice cream but he will only be able to provide standard cones. We are looking forward to a fun afternoon with music and a farewell to Father Anthony!



Thinking of, and praying for all our **students and teachers** heading off to schools, colleges and universities over the coming weeks - wishing them all every happiness and success.

DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal

Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain).



Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with food and emergency medical assistance. Please pray for those affected and donate now at cafod.org.uk/give - or via the DEC



Clerk to the Governors

St Teresa's Catholic Academy are looking for a keen and enthusiastic person to join our Governing Body as the Clerk to the Governors. This is a term time role with an average of 4.5 hours per week, although some weeks may require more, some less. Duties include the preparation of agendas, taking and writing up of all minutes and distributing documentation and other information to the Governing Body. If you are interested in the role, please contact the School office for more information at admin@st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention then please email (or phone) the parish office. It is traditional, though totally without obligation, to make an offering (a Mass stipend) to the priest who celebrates the Mass. Mass stipends make up part of a priest's annual income.

UCM

The next UCM meeting is on Thursday 8TH September starting with mass at 7:30pm then into in the Keenan Rooms for a bring and buy sale.



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 8th September

The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8 (nine months earlier). Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth.... the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James fills in the gap. This work has no historical value, but it does reflect the development of Christian piety. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child that will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story (like many biblical counterparts) stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.



St Bernadette Relic Tour - 8th and 9th September 2022

On Thursday 8th September, the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the relics of St. Bernadette are coming to visit the Diocese! The relics are to tour Britain and will be in Portsmouth, in the Cathedral, on 8th September from 9.30am until 10am on the morning of the 9th September 2022. Please see the attached timetable together with invitations to Mass with anointing of the sick and Vespers and a torchlight procession. For more information and to register your attendance please click on the link: <https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/>



Rosary

The Rosary will be said after morning Mass each Friday, whenever possible. This will be led by parishioners on a rotational basis.

St Francis, Ascot, Fatima Devotions Knights of St Columba, Home Rosary

Praying Group: Monday 5th to Friday 9th September at 1.30pm.

30 minutes of praying the rosary as requested by Our Lady.

Zoom ID: 756 3495 9266 Password for each day: rosary



Parish Pantomime 2023 - Jack and the Beanstalk



Possibly the funniest Parish group is restarting with preparations for our January 2023 Pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk. Why not come along to the first rehearsal try-out and **script read through on Sunday 11th September** at St Teresa's school hall, 4:30pm. No experience necessary, just enthusiasm to have a good time. New faces and all abilities welcome; Adults, teens and children (Y6 or above). For further details contact parishpantocc@gmail.com