



# ST MARY'S & ST PAUL'S NEWSLETTER

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October – 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

October Monthly Devotion: The Holy Rosary

## The kingdom of heaven is more valuable than riches

Possessions can be a severe obstacle to entering God's kingdom because they encourage getting rather than giving, defending rather than trusting. With all his wealth the young man still lacked something: the capacity to give his wealth away; his possessions were more precious to him than the lasting treasure Jesus promised to any who give anything up for his sake.

Date	Celebration	Service Time & Location	Intention
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> October	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time	Vigil Mass Sat 6:00pm St Paul's Mass 9:30am St Mary's Mass 11:00am St Mary's	Maisie Almond Parishioners' Intention Parishioners' Intention
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Ferial	6:15pm Eucharistic Adoration, St. Mary's; Mass 7:00pm	Peace in our troubled world
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> October	St Teresa of Avila (Mem)	8:30am Eucharistic Adoration, St. Mary's; Mass at 9:00am	Prisoners and their dependents
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Ferial	8:30am Eucharistic Adoration, St. Mary's; Mass at 9:00am	Opposing Assisted Suicide
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> October	St Ignatius of Antioch (Mem)	9:00am Eucharistic Adoration St Paul's, Mass at 9.30am	Bernard Kelly (RIP)
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> October	St Luke (Feast)	9:00am Eucharistic Adoration St Paul's, Mass at 9.30am	Respect for Life
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> October	BVM on Saturday	St Mary's 9:45am Holy Rosary followed by 10:00am Mass	Sick and housebound
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> October	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time	Vigil Mass Sat 6:00pm St Paul's Mass 9:30am St Mary's Mass 11:00am St Mary's	Parishioners' Intention Denis Mooney BD Ann. (RIP) Parishioners' Intention

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 9am to 9:50am St Mary's; 5pm to 5:50pm St Paul's; Sunday 8:30am to 9:20am by appointment. **Sacraments and other liturgies:** Please speak to the Priest after the weekend masses.

Date	Event	Location
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2024	RCIA Teaching at 6.30pm	St. Mary's meeting room

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** Gabriella Victoria Del Giudice was welcomed into the family of God last weekend. Kindly pray for her and her family.

**MARK 10:17-30:** It sounds as if the young man had put off his question to Jesus until the last minute, and just as Jesus is setting out on a journey he throws his misgivings to the wind and invites a calling by expressing his desire to follow. Yet when the calling comes it has strings attached. Following Jesus will mean abandoning his wealth, and that he finds too hard. Perhaps he had half expected Jesus to suggest this, and that was why he had delayed approaching him. Don't we do this too? We offer our day for Christ to use, and then when he accepts our offer and gives us some unpleasant job instead of what we had planned, we moan about what a tiresome day it has been! Our 'wealth' may be our time, energy, plans, and comforts, our routine, favourite programme, relaxing company or even the biscuits we were saving. And God asks us to be prepared to give them all away joyfully in his service

**OPPOSING ASSISTED SUICIDE:** The Bishops of England and Wales are calling on Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. In early September 2024, Our Lead Bishop for Life Issues, Bishop John Sherrington, called for Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action.

That call is renewed now as on **Wednesday, 16 October, the House of Commons** will hear the first reading of a new bill on assisted suicide tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater. This is another attempt to legalise assisted suicide, and we need you to contact your MP to voice your opposition. **Act now! Contact your MP.** The MPs for Tameside, and their email addresses are as follows: Angela Rayner [angela.rayner.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:angela.rayner.mp@parliament.uk), Andrew Gwynne [Gwynnea@parliament.uk](mailto:Gwynnea@parliament.uk), and Jonathan Reynolds, [Jonathan.reynolds.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:Jonathan.reynolds.mp@parliament.uk). Write urgently to your Member of Parliament to urge opposition to this proposal and greater support for palliative care. You can also write to your MP at: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA. Previous letter writing has had a great impact, for example, the letter writing campaign to re-open the churches during the Covid crisis. We can be assured that such efforts do make a difference. The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales website has been updated with a raft of resources for you to be informed regarding the assisted suicide legislation. This link will take you to the relevant page on the website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support MISSIO, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. It provides a special opportunity to celebrate the mission that Jesus has entrusted to us his Church. The theme that the Pope Francis has chosen indicates that our mission is to invite people to the banquet of the Kingdom of God. It is based on the Parable of the Wedding Feast in Chapter 22 of St Matthew's Gospel. 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet'. In his Message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis encourages us with these words: *'Let us never forget, then, that in our missionary activities we are asked to preach the Gospel to all. Instead of seeming to impose new obligations, we should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invite others to a delicious banquet.'* Envelopes are available to take away at the back of church.

**MISSIO (RED BOXES):** October is when the Red Boxes are emptied. Please bring your box into the sacristy. It will be emptied and returned to the table in the entrance hall to be collected. Please pick up the magazine telling of all the work being done and how our monty helps. Thank you for your continued support.

**MONTH OF HOLY SOULS:** Envelopes are available for the November Lists at the back of both Churches. Please include the names of those you would like to be remembered during the month of November, a Mass will be offered for these intentions and for all those of the faithful departed. Please include the full name (first name and surname) and try to write clearly so we can read the names to include in the remembrance list. (You can also put your donation inside the envelop)

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) PROGRAM:** Do you want to become a Catholic, or do you know anyone who wants to become a Catholic? The programme has started, but registration is still open. Please speak to Fr. Isidore or come into the sacristy to pick up an application form.

**POPE'S OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION: FOR A SHARED MISSION:** We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** The Children's Liturgy for children aged between 2 and 10 years is celebrated at the 11am Mass at St Mary's. Parents are encouraged to bring their children.

**PARISH JUBILEE:** Next year we will be celebrating 200 years since the foundation of the parish of St Mary's which was formed in November 1825. The Parish Council will be thinking about how we will celebrate and are looking for a leader for the planning. **Is this something YOU could do? – please volunteer!**

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY:** £452.16, CAFOD £344.81, both including online donations. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK:** World Mission Sunday (MISSIO)



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***Please consider remembering the parish in your will.***

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