



PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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SUNDAY 3rd October 2021 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Gospel.: Mark 10: 2-16 Today's reading from Mark's Gospel, taken with Mt 5:31-32; Mt 19:3-9; Lk 16:18; and 1 Cor 7:10-11, is the main source from which the Catholic Church derives Jesus' teaching on the Sacramental nature of marriage and its indissolubility. Christian marriage involves both a sacred and legal contract between a man and woman and at the same time is rooted in a special Covenant with the Lord. That is why Jesus states that a valid marriage is permanent. Hence, the Church has always firmly taught that a Sacramental marriage between Christians in which there has been true matrimonial consent and consummation, is indissoluble, except by the death of one of the spouses. Of course, it is not always easy for the two partners in a marriage to get along with each other because marriage though one of the most fulfilling of all relationships is also one of the most demanding. The husband and wife bring to the marriage their strengths and weaknesses. Hence, the first requisite for a lasting marriage is that the spouses learn to accept each other as they are: two imperfect and vulnerable human beings. They are God's gift to each other: "*I will make a suitable partner for him.*" They must learn that healing the wounds of family life is as necessary as healing the wounds in the body.

All the same, when the marriage relationship breaks down and reconciliation is not possible (especially when there is impediment), the Church recognizes the right of the couple to separate and live apart permanently.

Readers

Sat 6:30	Sun 09:30	Sun 11:00
Hugh Strickland	Paulina Krzyzak	Tim O'Keefe

The revised rota has now been published and a copy attached to the notice board in the porch. If you wish to join the list, please complete the form in the porch.

Confessions on request either in the Church or the presbytery at any time you prefer.

Mass Intentions If you would like to have a Mass said for any intention whatsoever then please do pass them into the sacristy through the collection plate or post them into the presbytery.

Announcement We are started Adult Catechism in preparation for the sacrament of Baptism. This runs after 11am Mass on Sundays. As we progress, we may consider alternative times which may suit more people. Catechism for Holy communion and confirmation will begin after arrangements.

Announcement We say the Rosary before the evening Mass on Saturdays. Please Join us in this lovely devotion to our beloved Mother Mary.

We encourage more people to attend first Friday devotion. Remember one of the promises of Jesus: I promise you in the excessive mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who shall receive communion on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment

Sat 02 Oct	06:30 PM	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Souls in Purgatory
Sun 03 Oct	09:30 AM		Willians family (Living & Dead)
	11:00 AM		Thanksgiving to God
Mon 04 Oct	10:00 AM	Saint Francis of Assisi, religious	Mildred Miles- Birthday Ann.
Tue 05 Oct	10:00 AM	Tuesday in the 27 th Week in Ordinary Time	Jessie Speed
		Saint Faustina Kowalska, virgin	
Wed 06 Oct	Sacristy	Wednesday in the 27 th Week in Ordinary Time	Private Intentions
		Saint Bruno, priest	
Thu 07 Oct	10:00 AM	Our Lady of the Rosary	Tony Jones
Fri 08 Oct	10:00 AM	Friday in the 27 th Week in Ordinary Time	Barbara Young-85th BD ANNV.
	06:00 PM	Holy Hour	
Sat 09 Oct	06:30 PM	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Cutchley Family (Living & Dead)
Sun 10 Oct	09:30 AM		Kathleen O'Kawe
	11:00 AM		Carol-Ann Speed

Weekly Collection We wish to thank you all for your ongoing generosity in the upkeep of the parish.

Sunday	26 September	-	£205.50
Weekly Standing Orders		-	£103.50

It would help greatly with paying in and processing at the bank if any cheques to the church are made payable to: **"St George Whitchurch"** which is the correct name for the parish account .

Prayer for Climate Action The Whitchurch churches are joining a worldwide prayer chain to pray for climate change on a Monday afternoon prior to the COP 26 conference. The third session takes place this Monday and everyone is welcome to join on Zoom from 2.30 until 3pm. You will also hear plans on how Whitchurch is marking COP 26 in November. You can obtain the link by contacting this e-mail address 1108steward4@gmail.com Make a cup of tea for yourself and join us!

Foodbank The Foodbank is looking forward to re-opening to clients in early October when we can resume meeting and greeting those in crisis on a Tuesday and Friday. We currently need small jars of coffee, long-life semi-skimmed milk, sugar, tins of fruit and biscuits. Other items of food that are needed can be found on the Foodbank website www.whitchurch.foodbank.org.uk. We are also very short of plastic shopping bags. If you have any to spare, please leave them in the basket in the church porch. Any help you can give is always gratefully appreciated.

Covid 19 Test Kits The Local Health Authority has asked us to continue distributing Lateral Flow Covid test kits through our parish community. You can find these at the back of church. Please help yourselves.

Our parish safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke.