

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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SUNDAY 10th October 2021 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Gospel .: Mk 10:17-30

In today's Gospel we find three sections: a narrative about Jesus' encounter with a rich man, Jesus' sayings about wealth as a possible obstacle to discipleship and Jesus' promise of reward for those who share their material possessions with the needy. Reminding the rich man of the commandments that deal with relationships with other people, Jesus challenged him to sell what he had, and to give the money to the poor. The disciples were shocked by this challenge. But Jesus declared that true religion consisted in one's sharing one's blessings with others rather than hoarding and/or getting inordinately attached to them. Life messages:

1) We need to accept the invitation to generous sharing. Jesus, in generous, sacrificial love, gave us His very self; in response, we must give Jesus our own total selves. Today God does not ask us to give up our riches, but He does ask us to use them wisely in His service not allowing them to gain control over our hearts. God gives us time, talents, health and wealth and riches that we may use them as good stewards in the service of others.

2) Let us make a check list of our prioritized attachments, and give God priority:

<u>Readers</u>	Sat 6:30	Sun 09:30	Sun 11:00
	Jo Williams	Eileen Livesey	Liz Greaves

If you wish to join the Reader's Rota, please complete the form in the porch.

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

<u>Mass Intentions</u> 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.

<u>Announcements</u> 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.

First Holy communion preparation starts on the last Saturday of this Month (30th of October) by 11am. The venue is in the Church. We are lucky to have a capable teacher who will assist in the preparation. We therefore ask the parents to bring their children who have reached the age of receiving the Holy communion to join in the preparation.

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 09 Oct	06:30 PM	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Cutchley Family (Living & Dead)
Sun 10 Oct	09:30 AM	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Kathleen O'Kawe
	11:00 AM		Carol-Ann Speed
Mon 11 Oct	10:00 AM	Monday in the 28 th Week in Ordinary Time <u>Saint John XXIII, pope</u>	John Speed
Tue 12 Oct	10:00 AM	Tuesday in the 28 th Week in Ordinary Time	Vocations
Wed 13 Oct	Sacristy	Wednesday in the 28 th Week in Ordinary Time	Private Intentions
Thu 14 Oct	10:00 AM	Thursday in the 28 th Week in Ordinary Time Saint Callistus I, pope and martyr	Sanctification of Priests
Fri 15 Oct	10:00 AM	Saint Teresa of Jesus, virgin and doctor of the Church	For the Sick
	06:00 PM	Holy Hour	
Sat 16 Oct	06:30 PM	20th Sunday in Ordinary Tires	Parishioners
Sun 17 Oct	09:30 AM	29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Parishioners
	11:00 AM		Parishioners

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

Sunday3 October-£219.45Weekly 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 fourth session takes place on Monday on Zoom from 2.30 until 3pm. All are welcome to join. You can obtain the link by e-mailing <u>1108steward4@gmail.com</u>

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 <u>www.whitchurch.foodbank.org.uk</u>. 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.

<u>Covid 19 Test Kits</u> 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.