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## SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2020

# 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT. VIGIL	17th	18:00	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity		Helen Storey	
SUNDAY	18th	08:30	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity		Pro Populo	
		10:00	29th Sunday in Ordinary T	ime Solemnity	Deirdre McGowan RIP	
		12:00	29th Sunday in Ordinary T	ime Solemnity	Alix d'Harcourt	
MONDAY	19th	NO MASS				
TUESDAY	20th	09:30	Feria		Sr Philomena FMM	
WEDNESDAY	21st	09:30	Feria		Belinda Constable	
THURSDAY	22nd	09:30	Pope Saint John Paul II	Memorial	Marina	
FRIDAY	23rd	09:30	Saint John of Capistrano	Memorial	Simone	
SATURDAY	24th	09:30	Blessed Virgin Mary	Memorial		

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 17:00 - 17:45 [HALL] CHURCH C

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER: WEDS: 4-6, SAT: 4-6.



We pray for Jesus Miguel Torre who died recently and for Catherine Stenger, Cecil Joseph, Margaret Nicholson, Carmen Davis, Gabdela Giraldo Cruz whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. As we approach the half-term break we pray for all those who work in our schools and have had to adapt in so many ways to deal with the current scenario. We pray for all our children that they their break which will be restricted in so many ways will be a time of joy for them and their families while they are together. We remember especially those who lack the blessing of an education and suffer because of the lack of opportunities afforded them across the world.

I remember (as I'm sure many of you do) the passing of Pope Saint John Paul II. Seeing the reaction of his press secretary, Joaquin Navarro-Valls, announcing his death proved to me what we will celebrate this Thursday: his holiness. What Mr Navarro-Valls had seen was someone accept the cross of suffering so humbly and his human reaction summed up the feelings of so many watching: he welled up and could hardly deliver his statement to the press. As a young person back then I remember it being a unique experience to see someone face the end of their life in public and it instilled the desire to be with him (I kept the TV on). Other young people flocked to St Peter's square keeping vigil and the Pope, having heard of their presence, their prayers and songs, sent a simple and affectionate message to them: "I have looked for you. Now you have come to me. And I thank you." John Paul II left us a legacy of beautiful teaching but what had such an impact was his presence; his visit to Poland, his visit to the UK and Ireland, his visit to Ali Agca who had shot him in St Peter's Square and his visits to different countries for World Youth Day which he pioneered and which inspired so many young people to continue practising their faith. In all he visited 129 countries during his pontificate and so is remembered for reaching out to people in love. As restrictions increase and the vulnerable become isolated let us ask the intercession of Pope Saint John Paul II that we may reach out (via phone) to them in love. Fr M.

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Next Sunday's Readings: 30th Sunday in OT

First: Exodus 22:20-26
Psalm: Psalm 17(18):2-4,47,51
Second: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40



## **PARISH NEWS**

**THE BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE:** I would have loved for us to be able to do this together in person but that will have to wait. It is possible, however, to join others online and grow in your knowledge of the Sacred Scriptures. The seven session course will take place on Wednesday evenings at 7pm online (**HTTPS://COMEANDSEE.ORG**) and will be a great preparation for the Advent season in which we hear the development from Old Testament history and prophecy to the coming of Christ.

**NEW RESTRICTIONS:** At the time of writing I am yet to hear of any changes to the way we worship and celebrate the sacraments. Please be assured that if notice is given of further restrictions I will be in touch with those who await baptism, marriage, first holy communion and confirmation.

**ISOLATION AND TELEPHONE MINISTRY:** I want to thank our SVP and ministers of the Eucharist who offer companionship and support to the elderly and vulnerable within our community. Windmill Lodge, the nursing home within our parish that houses many who share our faith, is currently on lockdown because of a case of the virus and will be closed to visitors for at least 28 days: let us pray for all residents and carers ministering to them at this time. This is a reminder of how the virus can make many people isolated which can have a significant psychological impact upon them. Please inform us of anyone whom you know to be isolated and who would appreciate a telephone call or maybe some shopping done if they are trying to stay inside. We exist as a parish to help.

**CONFIRMATIONS 2020 CONFIRMED:** All parents should have received an email giving details about how we will conclude formation and confirm our candidates. Please get in touch if not!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?: Now is the time to apply to join our RCIA programme for those who wish to enter into full communion with the Lord Jesus in His Church (to become Catholic). If you are not baptised or if you have been baptised in another denomination please fill in our online form. If you have been baptised a Catholic but not received Holy Communion or been Confirmed please fill in our online form. All those who wish to be received into the Catholic Church at the next possible opportunity within our parish can fill out and submit the form available on our website. Our deadline for receiving applications is Wednesday 28th October 2020.

**NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:** As November is not too far away I would like to invite parishioners to submit names of loved ones who have died which shall be beautifully transcribed into a Remembrance Book. I shall display an open page each day in the Church alongside a lit candle next to the statue of St Patrick. It is traditional to have Masses said for the Holy Souls during this month and Mass intention envelopes are available from the porch. If you are isolating you can call or email us to book a Mass intention. Please specify your preferred date.

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS (2021 ENTRY) - ARRANGEMENTS FOR COLLECTION OF FORMS:

On <u>Tuesday 20th October only</u> forms will be available for collection from the following locations:

For parents / carers of Children at <u>Corpus Christi Primary School</u> - <u>The School Office</u>\*
For parents / carers of children attending <u>other Primary Schools</u> - <u>The Priests' House</u>\*

\*Please maintain appropriate social distancing if others are collecting forms at the same time.