



Ordinariate and Parish Church

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10th October 2021



In the gospel reading today, we hear of the poverty of riches! Rich people are often too pre-occupied with their worldly possession to follow Christ. He tells us that those with riches find it hard to enter the kingdom of God but the most important thing in the world is to be wise through God's word and see wealth in its proper perspective. We will then appreciate the richness of poverty for Christ's sake.

Social Distancing in MPB is possible if you sit on the left side of Church where the tapes will remain for a little longer. All pews on the right are now available. Thank you for being conscientious.

A gentle reminder to use face-coverings in Church. We know that you go to the pub, the shops and everywhere else, but some at Mass can't ask you, and they are still vulnerable. So please be considerate

Weekday Mass times are likely to be disrupted now and again. Check this newsletter for accurate Mass times. We will certainly try to maintain the regular schedule.

The Catholic Herald has gone from a weekly to a monthly publication. There are some free trial copies available at the back of Church.

Annabel & Abigail are to be baptised today and so become Catholics. We welcome them and their family and friends. 12.15pm

Assisted Suicide Bill is before the British Parliament. The Bishops have asked us to pray, contact and inform those in Parliament to preserve Human Life and defeat this Bill.

The Young Adults Group will recommence meeting, now in real life. We are planning a monthly gathering. The first on Thursday 4th November at 7.30pm. You should receive an email soon, or more info from Lucia.

Our Parish and Finance Council have not met for a while so will re-commence soon. There are lots of developments taking place at the moment: get involved and bring what you have to offer for the Gospel. See FrC.

School Application are due in by half term. Please bring the *priest's reference* to FrC asap to get them turned-around before then.

Canon Richard Hearn, Dean of St George's, died unexpectedly last Thursday evening after a short illness, he was 56. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. *Lord have mercy...*

Synod 2023 is an initiative of Pope Francis for a Church working towards '*Communion, Participation, Mission*'. We need two parish volunteers. It's a very tight schedule, so please see FrC asap. More overleaf.

The three manual pipe organ is due to be installed this week, in just a week (although it's been eight years in the baking!). There's quite a bit of kit in Church today.

Cleaning Church has got a little out of the usual routine. Many hands make light work. Would you be willing lend a hand and/or co-ordinate the team?

Missio, is the Holy Father's mission charity: a second collection next week.



Pope Francis has asked the whole Catholic Church Church worldwide to engage in a process of discernment under the guidance of the the Holy Spirit. This process is called a synod. It involves everyone in the

Church - clergy, religious, and lay Catholics, each participating according to the gifts and charisms of their vocation. The English word *synod* means making our way tougher, journeying together along the way, united in Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life.

As everyone journeys together, listening first to the Lord in their heart and then speaking openly and listening with each other, we learn to hear the voice of the Lord speaking to us. Pope Francis describes it like this: 'Synodality is a style, it is a walk together, and it is what the Lord expects from the Church of the third millennium' (Address to the International Theological Commission, 29 November 2019).

The Synodal Process we are undertaking is guided by a fundamental question: *How does 'journeying together' take place today on different levels (from the local level to the universal one), allowing the Church to proclaim the Gospel? And, what steps is the Spirit inviting us to take in order to grow as a synodal Church? (PD 2)*

In our Archdiocese, the Archbishop is inviting everyone to respond to the invitation of Pope Francis and take part in the initial diocesan listening phase of the Synod. Each local parish is asked to host a meeting, or series of meetings, where conversations about the Church's mission in the life of the parish and the diocese can be prayerfully examined; and where the will of the Lord can be discerned, as we seek to grow in faith and number.

Coming together in this way, we place ourselves in the presence of the Lord, and one another, to hear His voice more clearly. All of this is done to help us to witness more effectively as missionary disciples in our parish and diocese as the Local Church.

We would like every parish to have two delegates to enable this process. We also, there-

fore, offer guidance about how you might approach the selection of your parish delegates.

Every person matters to the Lord and his Church, every voice matters and every story is important.

To help in gathering together people from across the life of the parish and community, we have also included some commonly asked questions to help explain the Synodal Way and to encourage people to enter into this vital period of discernment.

Selecting a Parish Delegate

We recognise that potential candidates may not be obvious. No candidate is perfect. To help you prayerfully discern suitable delegates from your parish, the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis offers the acronym FACT (Faithful, Available, Contagious and Teachable).

These criteria are used in our selection of Deanery Mentors and are recommended for the selection of Parish Leads as part of the *Some Definite Service* missionary initiative.

You may wish to apply the same criteria to your selection of delegates or nominate those within your parish who are already Deanery Mentors and Parish Leads (particularly for evangelisation) to undertake this task.

Here is a brief breakdown of all four categories using keywords to pinpoint the characteristics that describe each aspect.

- F *Faithful* Seeking holiness, fully believing, prayerful, sacramental life
- A *Available* Showing up, committed, initiates, invitational
- C *Contagious* Approachable, open, joyful, authentic, witness
- T *Teachable* Humble, listens, magnanimous, impactful

Is that you? Can you nominate someone?

www.cbcew.org.uk/synodal-church/

Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School

The Borough



Open Days

Tuesday 2nd November 14.00– 15.30
Thursday 4th November 09.30–11.00

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ChurchSuite

October Census

During October we are asked to take a census of the parish, which means counting how many people are at each Mass. It's also an opportunity to make sure our information is correct.

In *ChurchSuite*, you can

- Register on-line
- Check your details
- Change your own details
- Alter security settings
- Choose who sees what
- Choose how you are contacted

If you have signed-up, update your details this week; if you have not signed-up, please do so here:

preciousblood.org.uk/signup

Once your info has been entered, you will receive an email asking you for confirmation. Further info and assistance at parish@preciousblood.org.uk

The information you give will not be supplied to third parties. By signing up you are consenting to the details you provide being added to the church's database and used only for the parish's ministry and mission.



A full indulgence is gained daily by those who pray the Rosary in Church or as a family or as a group during the month of October.

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you will get great things
expect nothing, and
that is what you will get.”
St Padre Pio



HANDS



FACE



SPACE



FRESH AIR



This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
This Sunday 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	09.30 11.00	Richard Hearn <i>priest</i> ✕ <i>recently</i> Parishioners
<i>Mon</i> 11th (<i>Pope St John XXIII</i>)		
<i>Tue</i> 12th (<i>St Wilfrid</i>)	10.00	Tadeusz Oberc ✕
<i>Wed</i> 13th (<i>St Edward the Confessor</i>)	12.35	Tadeusz Oberc ✕
<i>Thurs</i> 14th (<i>St Callistus</i>)	12.35	Robert Copsey <i>priest</i> ✕ <i>recently</i>
<i>Fri</i> 15th <i>St Theresa of Avila</i>	12.35	Ellen Green <i>foundation</i>
<i>Sat</i> 16th <i>of OLW</i>	10.00†	Doris Pearson ✕ <i>d.2016</i>
Next Sunday 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	09.30 11.00	Parishioners

Next Week's Readings Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4: 14-16 Mark 10:35-45

Sacrament of Confession. Tuesday - Friday 12.00-12.30

Evensong 4.00pm, & Benediction, 1st Sunday
6.00pm, Thursday *tbc*

† **Mass in the Ordinariate Use** of the Roman Rite

Safeguarding. The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Kate Pope, Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 0800 0935063

Holy Father's Intention for October: *Missionary Disciples*

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel. .

For your prayers:

In formation: for Ministry, Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes)

Those who are Sick: Mary, David, Fr Brian, Neville, Geraldine

Recently Departed: Robert Copsey SOLT *priest*, Richard Hearn *priest*

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