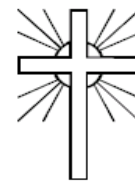


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## THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 2020

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2020

***Our prayers are asked for the repose of the souls of Loretta Haidash, Brenda Smith, and Mgr Canon Joseph Phelan.*** May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Mrs Smith's funeral will be at St Mary Crowned at 11am on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January; Mrs Haidash's funeral at St Mary Crowned at 11am on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February; and Canon Phelan's at Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby de la Zouch at 11am on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February; God willing.

### **Sunday of the Word of God:**

#### **Third Sunday of Ordinary Time**

In his Apostolic Letter of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019, *Aperuit illis* Pope Francis established that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be the Sunday of the Word of God. It is a day to be devoted to the celebration, study, and spreading of the Word of God.

Pope Francis is clear from the very first paragraph of this letter that the relationship between the Risen Lord, a community of believers, and sacred Scripture is essential to who we are as Christians.

The Sunday assembly gathering to celebrate the Eucharist is the unique moment in the week where a community gathers in a particular place and when their communal identity is nourished by Word and Sacrament.

An important advance in 20<sup>th</sup> century theological reflection is that every sacramental celebration is founded and constructed upon the Word of God, and that every proclamation of the Word of God is sacramental.

This Sunday builds on the texts and prayers of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time and is conscious that it comes just after the celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

While we are not yet united around the table of the Eucharist, we do share on many Sundays of the year the same scriptural readings in our different Christian assemblies.

Pope Francis urges us to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to continue our prayer for Christian unity.

Further information and prayer resources can be found at the Liturgy Office website:

[www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Resources/Scripture](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Resources/Scripture)

### **Thoughts from today's First Reading: Isaiah 8: 23–9: 3**

At the beginning of chapter 8 a son is born to Isaiah and his wife (called "the prophetess"). The birth is made a sign of disaster to come to Syria and Israel. The prophet contrasts the water of Shiloah, the spring water that nourishes Jerusalem, with the power of the River Euphrates - symbolising the power of the Assyrians. Refusing the fresh spring water of God's city becomes a symbol of Israel's rejecting the Lord. Verses 8-20 are a warning to Isaiah himself not to be unfaithful as the people are who will suffer darkness.

Then comes today's reading. In the darkness there is new hope. There will be a restoration of Israel led from the north, from the tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali, the land of Galilee. The Messiah will bring light to the darkness of Israel and will be a hero, like one of those in the Book of Judges, to rescue Israel - just as Gideon did against the Midianites. Read on to verses 4-7 "A child is born for us, a son is given to us." It is the promise of the Messiah.

### **Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading: Mt 4: 12 - 23**

This is a fast moving passage: Matthew's story of the temptations in the desert moves to Jesus ready to begin his ministry, returning from his baptism and the desert wilderness to his home in Galilee.

The prophecy of Isaiah in today's first reading is about to be fulfilled: a man from Galilee will bring light to Israel.

Jesus moves north from Nazareth (in Zebulun) to settle at Capernaum on the border with Naphtali, and begins his preaching alone. He befriends four fishermen and asks them to follow him.

We do not know where he met them - Capernaum or Bethsaida where the apostle Philip came from.

We later realise that John and James are Jesus' cousins and Zebedee his uncle, because Salome (the wife and mother) was Mary's sister (John 19:25).

This Gospel story is thus dramatised, as a film or play would do it: they left their nets to follow Jesus. But they had known him for a while and knew the call would come.

Luke and John tell the stories of the call of the first apostles very differently but the essential truth is the same: they give up their way of life to follow Jesus.

Relations and friends are the best people to take with you on a venture. Jesus' disciples were family and friends. © Watermead Apostolate

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### Parish Events This Week

**SMC = St Mary Crowned Church      AS = All Saints Church      SMS = St Mary's School**

<b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	6.00 pm	AS	Holy Mass (Paulo Buczko & Ada Baryzka RIP)
<b>Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Third Sunday of 2020 – Readings p. 128		
	9.15 am	SMC	Holy Mass (Barbara Burns – Christmas Blessing (CW))
	11.15 am	AS	Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
	<b>1.00 pm</b>	<b>AS</b>	<b>Baptism of Elena McDonnell</b>
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	St Angela Merici, Virgin		
	10.00 am	AS	Holy Mass (Ernest Hall RIP)
<b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor		
	<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>SMC</b>	<b>Funeral Service for Brenda Smith RIP</b>
	Please pray for today's Sycamore Course Session		
<b>Weds 29<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	10.00 am	AS	Holy Mass (Patrick Shanahan RIP)
<b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	10.00 am	SMC	Holy Mass (Andrew Hall RIP)
<b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Jan</b>	St John Bosco, Priest		
	10.00 am	AS	Holy Mass (Father Gerard Burke RIP)
<b>Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Feb</b>	10.00 am	SMC	Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation
	10.45 am	SMC	Benediction
	6.00 pm	AS	Holy Mass (Felir Magallano RIP)
<b>Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas – Readings p. 300		
	9.15 am	SMC	Holy Mass (Anne Walsh – Birthday Blessing (DL))
	11.15 am	AS	Holy Mass (People of the Parish)

<b>Our offerings last week:</b> Thank you for your generosity.				
	Loose	Envelopes	S/O	Total
All Saints	£104.40	£144.00	£129.00	£377.40
St Mary's	£152.85	£195.55	£225.00	£573.40

<b>Parish Diary for the next few months:</b>	
<b>March 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Coffee Morning at Bradbury House, 10-12</b>
<b>March 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Patrick's Celebration</b>
<b>March 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Cafod Breakfast, 10.45am</b>

**Many thanks for your support for the Sick & Retired**

**Priests' Fund: AS £ 84.30 ; SMC £65.93**

**Parish Rotas: Weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

**Sacristans:** All Saints, 6pm Monica & David; 11.15am Sandra & Natalie; St Mary's, Liz

**Welcomers:** All Saints, 6pm Margot; 11.15am John & Cath; St Mary's, Rita & Sylvia;

**Ministers:** All Saints, 6pm Eileen & Joan R; 11.15am Peter G & Chris; St Mary's, John, Helen & Jan;

**Readers:** All Saints, 6pm, P Donald, 11.15am Val T; St Mary's, Louise, Samantha & Wynn;

**Bidding Prayers:** Peter G (following week – Wynn)

**St Mary's Presbytery Development – Church Toilet Facilities:**

The developers who have bought St. Mary's presbytery will begin work this week on the ground floor corridor including the building of a new toilet for the use of church goers. While this work is in progress a temporary toilet will be found in the area between the presbytery and church close to the sacristy exterior door which will be accessible from the outside.

**Coffee Morning:**

Our next Coffee Morning to raise funds for our churches will be held at Bradbury House on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March, from 10am – 12 noon. Donations are needed for stalls, including Raffle Prizes, Tombola Prizes, Bric-a-Brac, Books, CDs, and as always, CAKES on the day. Please come along with your family and friends. Thank you!

**All Saints Monthly Draw:**

The Winner of the £100 December Draw was C Cowley. New members to the monthly draw are most welcome, please contact Bernard McMylor if you would like to join.