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The Month of August is devoted to The Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Twenty First Sunday of the Year (B)
Sunday 25th August 2024 Psalter Week 1**

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. Eileen O'Shea

Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Susan Willcock

Monday Bl Dominic of the Mother of God

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) St Monica

10.00 a.m. Jeremiah McCarthy

Wednesday St Augustine, bishop, doctor

10.00 a.m. Private Intention

Thursday Passion of St John the Baptist

No Mass

Friday Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, martyrs

12.00 p.m. Dead List

Saturday St Aidan and the Saints of Lindisfarne

No Mass

Next week's Masses

Totley

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Meadowhead

9.15 a.m. John Heaton

11.15 a.m. Anne Moisey

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

Pray for our sick:

Gavin Lambert, Sheila Hurst, Theresa Greensmith, Philomena McNally, Molly Upton, Sue Jarman, Stephen Bingley, Pauline Souflas, Anne Grayson, Paul Smith, Helen Aulton, David Gage, Teddy Howes, and Father Michael O'Connor.

Lately dead: John Heaton RIP

Responsorial Psalm: 33

R: *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 18th August 2024 is £321.50 Thank you.

Come to Mass with no cash? You can make weekly donations by card on the machines in the porch or at the side door table. You can gift-aid too! Please make use of this service if you can.

Events for the Coming Week

Monday SVP Parish Rooms 6.45pm

Registered Charity No 512021

If you notice anything on or around the church premises which has the potential to cause harm or requires repair please let Liz Mason, Fr Stephen or Simon Jones know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.





Hurricane Fundraiser / Caribbean Evening

OLST On Saturday 14 September from 7.00 pm onwards in the church hall. We are collecting funds for disaster recovery and supplies, in Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique, which were affected by Hurricane Beryl. The fundraiser will include an evening meal and a raffle. Bring your own drinks. Tickets (£20 for adults, £10 for under 16's) available from Brenda on 07880 883929 or Annmarie on 07985 217699.

Help! Minibus driver needed! Would you be able to take young adults to Oscott, Birmingham on the 15th of September? We have the opportunity to take part in Invocation at Adoremus - Catholic Bishops' Conference (cbcew.org.uk) - a day of workshops, Adoration, and Holy Mass for 16-35 year olds. I have a minibus but no driver - please contact smcdonald@hallam-diocese.com urgently. **THANK YOU.**

LOOKING FOR A LATE CATHOLIC GAP YEAR?

Do you know anybody who is Catholic, aged around 18 to 22 and still not got anything lined up for the year ahead? Castlerigg Manor (the Diocese of Lancaster retreat centre, located in the Lake District) are still looking for young people to join their youth ministry in internship scheme. The scheme provides comprehensive training and experience as well as accommodation and food for the year, and a stipend each week. Anyone who is interested can check out castleriggmanor.com >> join the team, or Email: Jack Regan – director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Celebrate 30 years of the Fairtrade Mark

29. Have a bake-off Get colleagues, classmates, or the whole community to come together and cook up some baked goodies. The Oxford Student Union gave this a go in 2020, inviting students and staff to send their best Fairtrade efforts to a panel of hungry volunteer judges.

Check out the range of Fairtrade products and where to buy them.



Luscious blackberries in the middle of the parish gardens at Meadowhead up for grabs ...though you may need some secateurs to clear the paths to them!



All Missionary Red Box Holders, Supporters and Organisers!!

There is a Diocesan Mission Mass on Saturday, 21st September at 10.30am. Holy Rood Church, Barnsley. This will be followed by refreshments in the church hall. All who help in any way are invited to attend.

For further enquiries, or to confirm your attendance please email: redbox@missio.ord.uk or telephone Theresa on 07593 544625.



We have been made aware of a letter received by some parishioners who attended the Knock pilgrimage in Ireland earlier this year.

The letter and compliment slip appear to be from Patricia Ronane, who we know to be the travel agent who arranges the travel etc to this pilgrimage. However, the letter appears to be asking for donations to help with her personal financial situation and there is a concern that a vulnerable person may feel obliged to donate. **PLEASE BE AWARE THIS IS A SCAM.** Should you come across it **DO NOT** send any money.

Thought for the Week



“Stay away from negative people. They have a problem for every solution.”

Albert Einstein



1st Sunday collections: . . . Give to Live, the monthly emptying of jars and bottles of our small change into the basket on the Offertory Table, will be next Sunday, the first in the month – small change makes a **BIG DIFFERENCE** to our Parish Outreach partners at home and abroad. Thank you for your generosity last month which raised £129 . . . and tinned tuna and meat, particularly ham, for St Wilfrid's Centre. Thank you.



Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:

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This Thursday, 29 August, is the feast day of the **Passion (the Beheading) of St John the Baptist**. The event is described in the Gospels of Matthew (14: 3-12) and Mark (6: 17-29). Herodias, the wife of King Herod Antipas told her daughter -named as Salome by the Jewish historian Josephus - to require of Herod the head of John as the unspecified gift he had sworn to give her. Herodias hated John for having criticised her marriage to Herod as she had previously been married to his brother Philip. With great reluctance, but bound by his oath, Herod complied.

It is a measure of the importance of John the Baptist that we celebrate both his birth (on 24 June) and his death on 29 August. John the Baptist pointed the way to Christ. His life and death were a giving over of self for God and for other people. His simple style of life was one of complete detachment from earthly possessions.. John challenges us as Christians to the fundamental attitude of Christianity - total dependence on the Father, in Christ. The attractiveness as well as the austerity of John, his fierce courage in denouncing evil - all stem from his fundamental and total placing of his life within the will of God.

This Monday is the feast day of **Blessed Dominic Barberi** (not to be confused with St Dominic, the founder of the Dominican Order) He was born into a farming family in Viterbo, near Rome in 1792. In 1814 he entered the Passionist Novitiate. He had a brilliant mind, and was appointed a professor of philosophy and theology and Superior of several Italian communities.

In his early years, however, it had also been made known to him in prayer that he should preach the word of God in Northern Europe. In 1840 he came to England, and established the first Passionist community in the country at Aston in Staffordshire. After a hostile initial reception, Dominic's goodness and concern for everyone eventually won him acceptance. A very effective preacher, Dominic's parish missions won large numbers of converts. Amongst others, he received John Henry Newman into the Catholic Church. Dominic died on 27 August 1849, and is buried in Sutton, St. Helens, Merseyside. He was beatified in in 1963 during the Second Vatican Council.

Raffle Tickets - Bethlehem Ball

Raffle tickets, for great cash prizes, are now available in church. Please take some to sell - the Bethlehem Hospice needs your support now more than ever.

General Knowledge Quiz - Answers

1. What country has the highest life expectancy? **Hong Kong**
2. Where would you be if you were standing on the Spanish Steps? **Rome**
3. Which language has the more native speakers: English or Spanish? **Spanish**
4. What is the most common surname in the United States? **Smith**
5. What disease commonly spread on pirate ships? **Scurvy**
6. Who was the Ancient Greek God of the Sun? **Apollo**
7. What was the name of the crime boss who was head of the feared Chicago Outfit? **Al Capone**
8. What year was the United Nations established? **1945**
9. Who has won the most total Academy Awards? **Walt Disney**
10. What artist has the most streams on Spotify? **Drake**
11. How many minutes are in a full week? **10,080**
12. What car manufacturer had the highest revenue in 2020? **Volkswagon**
13. How many elements are in the periodic table? **118**
14. What company was originally called "Cadabra"? **Amazon**
15. How many faces does a Dodecahedron have? **12**
16. Queen guitarist Brian May is also an expert in what scientific field? **Astrophysics**
17. Aureolin is a shade of what colour? **Yellow**
18. How many ghosts chase Pac-Man at the start of each game? **4**
19. What Renaissance artist is buried in Rome's Pantheon? **Raphael**
20. Who was the last Tsar of Russia? **Nicholas II**
21. What character have both Robert Downey Jr. and Benedict Cumberbatch played? **Sherlock Holmes**
22. What country drinks the most coffee per capita? **Finland**
23. Which planet in the Milky Way is the hottest? **Venus**





Mass Setting - Mass of Christ the Saviour

Gloria 1013; Holy, Holy 1014; Memorial Acclamation 1016-1017; Lamb of God 1019



This Wednesday, 28 August, is the feast day of **St Augustine of Hippo**. Born in 354 at Thagaste (in modern Algeria), as a young man he led an unsettled life both in the philosophy he professed and in his moral behaviour – much to the grief of his mother **Saint Monica** (whose feast day is this Tuesday). In the year 387 he was converted and received baptism from the future Saint Ambrose. He returned to his native country and led the life of an ascetic before being made Bishop of Hippo (current Annaba in Algeria). For 34 years he was an exemplary bishop to his flock, teaching his people by his sermons and writings, striving to combat the errors of the time and to make the faith understood. His most famous works are *Confessions*, *City of God* and *On the Trinity*.

During his early dissolute life, **St Monica** was unceasing in her efforts and in her prayers to God for Augustine’s conversion. She strengthened her faith by prayer and was outstanding in virtue. Her prayers and her example also won her husband and mother-in-law over to Christianity. She died in Ostia in 387, the year of her son’s conversion and Baptism.

St Aidan, whose feast day is on Saturday, was a monk of Irish descent on the Hebridean island of Iona. He came to Northumbria in the 630’s at the request of King Oswald (later St Oswald) to evangelise his kingdom. Aidan made his headquarters on the island of Lindisfarne (also known as Holy Island). He died at Bamburgh in 651AD after 16 years as bishop. Subsequent history showed the lasting success of his mission. The missionaries trained in his school on Lindisfarne went out and worked for the conversion of much of Anglo-Saxon England. The feast day also honours many lesser known saints associated with the Lindisfarne foundation.

Prayer for the Week

God our Father,
You appointed Saint John the Baptist to be the herald of the birth and death of Christ your Son.
Grant that, as he died a martyr for justice and truth, so we also may courageously bear witness to your word.
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Thought for the week - Saint Augustine of Hippo recalls his journey to conversion: “Belatedly I loved thee, O Beauty so ancient and so new, belatedly I loved thee. For see, thou wast within and I was without, and I sought thee out there. Unlovely, I rushed heedlessly among the lovely things thou hast made. Thou wast with me, but I was not with thee. These things kept me far from thee; even though they were not at all unless they were in thee. Thou didst call and cry aloud, and didst force open my deafness. Thou didst gleam and shine, and didst chase away my blindness. Thou didst breathe fragrant odours and I drew in my breath; and now I pant for thee. I tasted, and now I hunger and thirst. Thou didst touch me, and I burned for thy peace.”

Saint Augustine: Confessions

This Week’s Readings

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18*

Responsorial Psalm: 33

Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:21-32*

Gospel: *John 6:60-69*

This Week’s Ministries 24/25 August 2024

Readers	5.00 p.m.	A Southeran +1
	9.15 a.m.	F Green, L Grady
	11.15 a.m.	J McNally, M Richardson
Communion	5.00 p.m.	C Udall, J Brook
	9.15 a.m.	H Grady, M Ayanleke, S Jones
	11.15 a.m.	M Harrison, P Orkamfat, E Williamson

Next Week’s Readings

Twentieth Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

First Reading: *Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8*

Responsorial Psalm: 14

Second Reading: *James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27*

Gospel: *Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23*

Next Week’s Ministries 31st August/1st September 2024

Readers	5.00 p.m.	G Higgins, H Simmerson
	9.15 a.m.	S Farragher, R Portaluri
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock, M Richardson
Communion	5.00 p.m.	S Davey, V Coomer
	9.15 a.m.	A Tucker, A Tucker, R Gasser
	11.15 a.m.	H Stones, K O’Brien, J McNally
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	N Parsons
	11.15 a.m.	S Campos, H Stones

