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Holy Mass Year B. Psalter Wk3

10.00 Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:

Sat 7th 6:00pm Kothanikkal Family Ints— Jane Goodyear RIP

Sun 8th 9:15am Joan Marie Foster RIP

Children's Liturgy begins in the Hall before Mass

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass

Sun 8th 11:00am Pro Populo - Jane Goodyear RIP

Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:10am led by parishioners

Mon 9th 9:30am Thanksgiving Pascal Fernandes - Jane Goodyear RIP

Tue 10th 9:30am Jane Goodyear RIP

Wed 11th 9:30am Iris Sabec RIP - Chacko Annamma RIP

Thu 12th 9:30am Thanksgiving Nelvin & Nalishia Fernandes

Fri 13th 9:30am Mary Jackson RIP St John Chrysostom

Sat 14th 9:30am Peter Templeton RIP Exaltation of the Holy Cross

14th 12:30pm Wedding of Dsuro & Rachel

Let us Pray to the Lord

For the sick:

Theresa Devaney, Marie Lewis, John Barrass, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Stan Banks, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berkmire, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong. Juliette-Susan Glover, Joan Thomas & Illeana Goodman.

For all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

For the recently departed:

Anniversaries week beginning 8th September 2024:

Daniel Costello, Bob Mulholland, Joan Foster, Margaret Turner, Maisie College, James Hickey & Doreen Curran.

Clergy Anniversaries:

Rev Arthur McCrystal, Mgr Thomas Fallon, Rev David Hutt, Rev Dominic Round, Deacon Michael McGrail & Rev Guy Colman.

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WHY SHOULD YOU EXPECT TO PICK FIGS FROM BRAMBLES?

Schools have reopened for a new academic year and everything is new at all levels. For the children who have gone to school for the first time, separation from mum and meeting strange people (teachers) might be intimidating. Little as they are, the eyes of other little children in the same class might be frightening. However this will not last long, children are blind to class or status, they are blind to the type of car or to the house they live. Within a very short time, they will make friends such that missing school for whichever reason will make them feel sick!

Last Tuesday, I was privileged to celebrate Holy Mass for all the teachers that form the Catholic Mult school Academy for Nuneaton and Bedworth. What a vital group of educators and mentors we have, if all of us were to cooperate and collaborate with them in the education of our children! I could see for myself how determined the teachers were to contribute to the welfare of our families, the Church and the human society as a whole.

The attitude of parents and guardians towards a teacher or a school, will have a great impact on the willingness of the child to study or to go to school. We need to remember that one of the reasons why we take children to school is because we trust that our teachers will shape them better than ourselves. The teachers and the teaching system takes our children to a level that they would not achieve if they were to stay at home. Therefore, it is important that parents trust the teachers and let them to do what they were trained for, by avoiding unnecessary interference.

As Our Lady of the Angels School opened last Wednesday, I was standing outside the gate greeting parents and children. I noticed that parents who tend to grumble about anything in the school, their children were low in spirit to return, while the children of parents who speak well of the teachers and the school, were high in spirit. They passed through the gate without looking back. The difference lay in the attitude, and in the relationship that parents build with the school. While the parents who see the teachers as people who providentially help their children to have a better future, will see their children rush into the school gates; the other parents who keep a grudge with a teacher or with the school, their children will approach the school gates as though they were entering a prison! Therefore the positive attitude of parent and guardians matters a lot.

I noticed that most of our teachers are young professionals who want to build a career for themselves as teachers. I ask parents to tap into that for the benefit of their children. It is good to remember that teachers are not miracle workers, their success depends on what parents encourage their children to do while they are away from school.

Do not expect to harvest figs from brambles or to find a white elephant in the forest no matter how vast the forest might be. We must work together. I'm glad to note that Our Lady of the Angels School is over subscribed, it is another way of people in this borough telling us that they trust and value our Catholic education. Let us keep steadfast on the path that has led us to where we are.

Jimmy Lutwama AJ Parish Priest.

^{*} Mass intentions envelopes and Mass cards at the Piety Shop.

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Contact the parish office for the Sacraments of Marriage and Baptism. Hall Bookings, Gift Aid and all general enquiries.

The Parish Team:

Parish Priest: Fr Jimmy Lutwama AJ. fr.jimmy.lutwama@rcaob.org.uk
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Presentation Sisters: Sr Therese, Sr Jacinta & Sr Helen 024 76350615
Parish Secretary: Ms Stephanie Taunton (Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm)

Schools: Our Lady and St Josephs School TEL: 024 76383807 St Thomas More Catholic Academy & Sixth Form College Tel: 024 76642400

SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our parish Safeguarding Representative: Christine Scullion sg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk Alternatively if you have any concerns please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team 0121 230 6240 email safe-guarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

FINANCE: Second Collection: 8th Sep Catholic Education

Parish Finances week beginning 1/9/24

COLLECTION: £896.26 of which Gift Aid £350.70

FABRIC FUND: £586.67 of which Gift Aid: £189.08

£141.00 of which Gift Aid: £113.00 **Thanks!**

AUGUST STANDING ORDER: £1209.67

To DONATE

Sunday 31st/1st September Mass attendance 642 Scan QR Code



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

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SECOND COLLECTIONS: SEPT 8th Catholic Education, 15th Catholic Evangelisation & 22nd Fr Hudson's

Tue - Sep 10/24th Seniors after 9:30am Mass

Tue - Sep 17/24th 7:30pm RCIA

Wed - Sep 11/25th Bible Study after 9:30am Mass
Wed - Sep 18th Coffee morning after 9:30am Mass

Wed - Sep 25th Bible Study 7pm

Sun - Sep 29th Novena Shared Table 1pm

8th September 2024 MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:.

Today 8th September Second Collection for Catholic Education.

Marriage banns: Djuro Skaric, son of Zlata and Vojo Skaric, would like to marry Rachel Gilbey daughter of Allen and Mary Gilbey. If there is anybody who knows why they should not get married to each other, please let them come and inform the parish priest as soon as possible.

Parish Family Thanksgiving Day I wish to thank you all for the Family thanksgiving day we celebrated last Sunday. Thanks for your generosity in sharing your food with everyone. Thank you for spending your time in the company of one another. This is what makes us a parish, for all these I'm immensely grateful.

Father Hudson's Care is the Social Care Agency of the Archdiocese. The charity's Annual Parish collection is coming up on Saturday 21 - Sunday 22 September and we're looking for volunteers who would be willing to speak in their local parish about the work the charity does. If you would be willing to speak, for support and guidance please contact us on: fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk

Job vacancy: the Archdiocese is seeking to recruit an enthusiastic and experienced RICS Chartered General Practice Surveyor to join its Property Team. The key role of the Property Team is to provide advice and guidance for management of all property held centrally by the Archdiocese. This is a permanent/full-time role. The application deadline is Wednesday 18 September. Please visit https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/jobs for details.

New Bible Study Evening Group. Starts on 25th September at 7:00pm. We will be studying the Book of Revelation. Please bring a friend and a notebook!

Catholic Education Sunday falls on the second Sunday of September (8th September) just as the new academic year starts. It is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in England and Wales, established 176 years ago in 1848. It provides an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks to all involved in making Catholic schools places of enlightenment, as well as to look forward in anticipation of the year ahead. This year's theme for Education Sunday is drawn from its Gospel reading of Mark 7:31-37: <u>He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak</u>. There will be a second collection to support the work of Catholic Education Services.

Novena to Our Lady Undoer of Knots Starts 20th September finishing on 29th at 1:00pm with a shared table. Masses will be daily at 9:30am or 7:00pm. If you have a special celebration and would like it mentioned please contact Steph on 02476 382137 and give your name and request.

Full-size replica of the Shroud of Turin On display at St Patrick's, Woodend Coventry, until Saturday 14 September. It is a striking 15-foot replica image, a photograph printed onto cotton by American photographer, Barrie Schwortz, who was the official photographer at the STuRP (Shroud of Turin Research Project) examination of the Shroud in 1978. Visitors can view Tuesdays to Fridays 5-7pm, Saturdays 12-5pm and Sundays from 11.30am to 1pm.

The Vatican has granted a new Feast for Our Lady of Walsingham to be celebrated in England starting on 24th September. May this annual celebration be a source of renewed grace and evangelical fervour. in our land.