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## EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C) SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2019

The first reading, taken from the Book of Sirach, teaches that what is inside us is revealed through our conversation – as the grain and husks are separated in a farmer's sieve, as the quality of the metal is revealed in the potter's fire, and as the size and quality of a tree's fruit reveal the care it has received from the planter. Sirach's teaching serves as an excellent preview for today's Gospel, which reminds us, when we're feeling judgmental, to think before we speak because what comes out of our mouth reveals our heart. In the second reading St. Paul advises the Corinthian Christians "to be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain," instead of wasting time on useless and sinful conversations, which bring punishment instead of the victory of resurrection and eternal reward.

\* We should avoid judging others because 1) No one except God is good enough to judge others because only God sees the whole truth, and only He can read the human heart. Hence, only He has the ability, right and authority to judge us. 2) We do not see all the facts or circumstances or the power of the temptation which has led a person to do something evil. 3) We are often prejudiced in our judgment of others, and total fairness cannot be expected from us, especially when we are judging those near or dear to us. 4) We have no right to judge because we have the same faults as the one, we are judging and often in a greater degree.



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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

### **The Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.'



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **FIRST READING**

*A reading from Book of Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8*

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation. The orchard where a tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels. Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

*The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 91**

*R. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.*

It is good to give you thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. R

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and flow like a Lebanon cedar. R

Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. R

## SECOND READING

### *A Reading from the letter of St Paul to Corinthians 15:54-58*

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

*The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

You will shine in the world like bright stars  
because you are offering it the word of life.

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

### *A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 6:27-38*

Jesus told a parable to his disciples: 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

*The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ*

## THE NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made.✠For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (all bow) *was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.***

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



**SANCTUS:** *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.*

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

### **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.**

*Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.*

### **COMMUNION RITE**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

*For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever*

### **Behold the Lamb of God...**

*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.*

## **PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION**

### **NEW PARISH SECRETARY**

Parish is looking for a secretary for 15 hours a week. If anyone is interested, please send you CV to Fr Shaju to Parish email. *Closing date for application: Monday 4th March 6pm. Many thanks.*

### **USHERS ON A DAY WITH JESUS**

Thanks to all the helpers for coming for the meeting. We need more volunteers to help the sick and look after the visitors.



### **ST PATRICK'S DAY: CHANGE OF DATE**

The Parish invites everyone to join for the feast day Mass at 6.30pm on **Saturday 16th MARCH**, followed by celebrations in the hall with live music, Irish Dance and lots more. *Tickets are available from the repository and Coffee Shop.*

### **FLAME**

Congratulations to all the young people who represented the parish.



## A DAY WITH JESUS

The second Saturday of each month there is Recollection, Mass & Healing Prayers. The next one will be SATURDAY 9th March starting at 9.15am with MORNING PRAYER, adoration, devotions, talk, confessions, and a

SPECIAL MASS at 11am followed by anointing of the sick and prayer over people. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection.

### ASH WEDNESDAY: 6th MARCH



Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday. It is a gateway to Lent. We have forty precious days to open ourselves up most particularly to God, to examine ourselves in the presence of one who created us, knows us, and loves us. We have forty days to face ourselves and learn to not be afraid of our sinfulness. We are dust, and to dust we shall return, but with God's grace we can learn to live this life more fully, embracing our sinfulness, allowing God to transform us.

- It is a day of prayer, fasting and abstinence
- Masses are at: **9.30am** (*St Boniface school will join us for the Mass*)  
**12:00, 6.30pm & 8pm**

### SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR YOU AT THIS LENT

- ♦ If possible attend regular Mass (weekdays)
- ♦ Do your Morning, Evening Prayer and Examination of Conscience
- ♦ Spend time in prayer- may be by meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary
- ♦ Read Spiritual Books
- ♦ Do Stations of the Cross.
- ♦ Spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament
- ♦ Don't fail in your Sunday Obligation
- ♦ Don't fail to make your confession before Easter.



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please come and pray STATION OF THE CROSS on every Friday in Lent, begin this Friday at 7pm in the Church.

Fri-

**SHROVE TUESDAY** (Pancake Tuesday or Pancake Day) is this Tuesday, 5th March. It is a day kept traditionally some countries to eat their favourite food before the fasting period of Lent. Coffee Shop will be opened and pan cakes will be available to buy.

**WORKING PARTY:** Parish is intending to form a working party which will come together every *third Saturday of the Month at 10am* to have a cup tea and do the maintenance and repairs of the premises including gardening and cleaning of the church pavement. *The first one will be on 23rd March.*

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY IS FOR POOR PARISHES**

## **NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

We welcome Mgr Mathew Dickens, Vicar General of the diocese, to our parish family on Saturday 30th March at 6.30pm Mass to commission new Eucharistic Ministers.

*Training day for New Eucharistic Ministers Saturday 23rd March at 4.30pm in the Church.*

## **INFANTS BAPTISM**

Any parents who wish to baptise their children should register in the parish and attend the Mass regularly for at least six months. Those who moved recently to the parish should get evidence of the catholic practice. Fr Shaju will be happy to talk to you during Parish Open house if you have any queries.

## **LENTEN RETREAT**

The Parish Lenten Retreat on Friday 15th 7pm-9pm & Saturday 16th 9am-5.30pm, March led by Fr George Antony, O.P. Please put these dates in your diary.

## **LITURGY FOR INFANTS**

There will be live Mass in the New Room which is accessible through the emergency exit on Our Lady's aisle. This room is handy for parents who come with small children. Parents can take their children to the room when they are restless. There will be catechetical materials available in the Room.

## **COFFEE AFTER MASS**

Please join for a Cup of Tea/ Coffee after the Sunday morning masses. It is an opportunity to meet other members of the parish family. Cooked breakfast is available 10am-1pm and after 12:00 Mass a priced lunch is available for those interested.

## **ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING DAYS**

All the Altar Servers are requested to attend the Training Sessions on Saturdays: *9th March, 4th May, 6th July, 14th September and 2nd November.*

## **CHILDRENS' LITURGY**

At the beginning of 10.30am Mass on Sunday, all children, 5-10 years are requested to come forward towards the Sanctuary to join for the liturgy procession. Catechists will lead them out to the Parish Meeting Room.

## **CHURCH CLEANING**

Thank you very much to those people who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is week 1(Team 1) at 10am.

## **NEED TO SEE A PRIEST**

If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or a wedding or a private matter, please come to the **Parish Open House.**

**Room Advert: anyone is looking for a room, please see the notice board.**



*To all those who are keeping the anniversary of their gift of life.*

***Wish you all a Blessed Week!***

## PARISH OPEN HOUSE

Next open house is on **Friday 8th March 4.30pm-6pm**. No appointment needed.

### TO BAPTISE A BABY

before filling a baptismal application form, please first discuss with a priest at the Parish Open House held on Fridays from **4.30pm—6.00pm** in the Parish Office.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

Next course will be on **Monday 25th March at 7.30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room.

### HOSPITAL VISITS

For any person admitted in St George's Hospital and who would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Mark Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

### PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

**The Sick:** Marie D'Silva, Nilojan Mariyathas, Jill Hart, Betty Joyce, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Clifford Tetteh, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin Helena O'Connor, Cecil Adams, Pat Nolan, Pauline Kearney, Tony & Lenna McCormick, Victoria & Kwesi Yankson, Christina Wood, James & Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D'Souza, Nigel Searle, Gordon King, Cecilia Figueira.

**Recently Deceased:** William Lucid, Anthony ESCRADER, John HARTIGAN and Sandra BUSHELL

**Anniversaries:** Marie Jhugroo, Joseph Oliver, James Ranjit, Joseph Patrick, Patricia Cotter, Maureen Mulivihill, Catherine Meredith, Kathleen Kennedy, Michael Glakin, Edwin Almeida, Margaret Fitzgerald, Ivy Grimshaw, Elizabeth Robinson, Philip Coffey, Raphael Elwin, Luis Alvarez, Ropas Blanco, Anna Rodrigues.

**May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	2nd & 3rd March	9th & 10th March
	<b>LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)</b>	
Sat18.30	Jim Russell, Agnela Cabral	Daren Russell & Angela Cabral
09.00	Robin Thomas, Sandra Nyakudya	Pat Connors & Angus Xavier
10.30	Princess Ikpoh, Rebekka Prabakaran	Christi Anoop & Stefanie Flaherty
12.00	Tara Butler, Charmaine Fernandes	Calynn Da Cunha & Matthewson Matthews
18.30	Remija Mponzi, Emie Roberts	Michael Lobo & Angel Babu
	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)</b>	
Sat18.30	Debra Anton, Matchel Bibat, Doris Cubero	Agnela, David and Manuel Cabral
09.00	Luiza Lobo, Erica Summers Jane Parper	Valrose Hayes, Coralee Hilton, Elizabeth Rodrigues
10.30	Josie McCarthy, Brenda McGrath Rui Rodrigues	Edy Endoza, Virginia Francois, Damian P Keeling
12.00	Bernardine & Denis Fernandes Mary Rainford	Rosemary John, Marjorie Smith, Mary Mayne
18.30	Agnes Babu, Sharon Wrightman, Barrie Ellis-Daley	Reya Mathai, Julian DeSouza Barrie Ellis-Daley
Church Cleaning:	Wk1: Mon 4th Mar @ 10am	Wk2: Mon 11th Mar @ 7pm

## **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection last weekend was **£2,012.28** [Loose plate **46%**; Gift Aid **54%**]  
Thank you for your generosity



Sunday 3rd March <b>EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C)</b>	09.00 10.30 12.00 18.30	Vareeth & Rosa Mynattyparambil James O'Sullivan RIP A Stan, Norman & Fred Birch Maureen Spooner RIP
Monday 4th March <b>St Casimir</b>	09.30 18.30	Int. Anne McAdam Int of the Donor (Get Well)
Tuesday 5th March <b>Feria</b>	09.30 18.30	Int. Lola Lawrence Int. Margaret & Theresa McGrath
Wednesday 6th March  <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	09.30 12:00 18:30 20:00	Int Benedict Josephine Holy Souls Int. Mary Brophy November Altar List
Thursday 7th March <b>Feria</b>	09.30 18.30	Sepiencia NORONHA, RIP Thanksgiving Sebastian Family
Friday 8th March <b>Feria</b>	09.30 18.30	Lucien Thomas, RIP Eileen Condon, RIP (A)
Saturday 9th March <b>A DAY WITH JESUS</b>	09.30 18.30	Mass for the Sick/ John Kelly, RIP (A) Rosamma Joseph, RIP
Sunday 10th March <b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C)</b>	09.00 10.30 12.00 18.30	Ouseph & Rosa Devassey, RIP Mattie Kelly Int. Teresa Barnes John Caffrey, RIP

<p><b><u>Monday 4th March</u></b> Padre Pio Group Meet 7.30pm 2nd&amp;4th Monday each mth</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday 5th March February</u></b> Charismatic Prayer Group (7pm Church)</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday 6th March</u></b> Rosary Prayer Group (7pm Parish Meeting Room) SVP (Meet 8.15pm 2nd &amp; 4th Wed in Jan in the Parish Meeting Room)</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday 7th March</u></b> Knit &amp; Natter Group (3pm Parish Meeting Room)</p> <p><b>Legion of Mary</b> (7.15pm Parish Meeting Room)</p> <p><b>Tamil Mass</b> (7.30pm Church)</p> <p><b><u>Friday 8th March</u></b> 50+ Club (2pm at St Anselm's Church)</p> <p><b><u>Parish Open House</u></b> (4.30pm – 6.00pm in the Presbytery until further notice)</p>
<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> Sat: 11.30am – 12.30pm</p>	

<p><b>Adoration &amp; Morning Prayer</b> Monday - Saturday: 8.45am <b>Holy Hour on First Friday</b></p>	<p><b>Novena to St Anthony</b> Tuesday: 10am <b>Divine Mercy Chaplet</b> Friday: 10am</p>	<p><b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> Saturday: 10am</p>
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