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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR (B) SUNDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2021

"Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's' ".(Mark 8: 33)



The second half of the Gospel of Mark is dominated by the journey towards Jerusalem, the place of the death and resurrection of Jesus. Since this gospel is comparatively short, the tension of this journey is more evident than in the other gospels, as Jesus draws his reluctant and confused disciples to face the mystery of his cross. For the second time Jesus announces his coming death. He will be handed over and put to death. Three days after he will rise again. While Peter had reacted strongly to similar words of Jesus in the previous chapter, here there is simply bewilderment. The following verses underline that the disciples are not yet ready to face up to what Jesus has said. Their preoccupation is still with status and their relative positions in Jesus' company. Mark does not hesitate to present the disciples as having much to learn, both about the conditions for following Jesus and about the prospect of his martyrdom. Jesus' answer is to call them to accept the position of the least, and he illustrates this by placing a child before them. Our first reading, from the Book of Wisdom, speaks of the plots of the godless against the virtuous man. It is not surprising that Christians used such texts to reflect on what happened to Jesus. So should we. How difficult is it to accept a crucified Messiah? Do I, like the disciples, seek to avoid awkward truths which are presented to me? We pray for those who face persecution and violence because of their beliefs.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

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 Wisdom 2:12,17-20

A reading from the book of Wisdom

The godless say to themselves: 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. 'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

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



RESPONSORIAL PSALM 53(54):3-6,8

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name;
by your power, uphold my cause.
O God, hear my prayer;
listen to the words of my mouth. *R*

For proud men have risen against me,
ruthless men seek my life.
They have no regard for God. *R*

But I have God for my help.
The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
and praise your name for it is good. *R*

SECOND READING

James 3:16-4:3

A reading from the letter of St. James

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 9:30-37

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and your may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

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: *We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

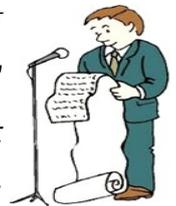
You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

firm in keeping your statutes.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS: Congratulations to all fifteen new altar servers who started serving the Lord at the Altar from last Sunday. All the existing altar servers can now start serving at the altar.

OFFERINGS by CARD & GIFT AID: *YOU CAN FIND THE CARD TERMINALS ON EITHER SIDE IN THE PORCH AS YOU ENTER THROUGH THE FRONT DOORS and also AT THE EMERGENCY EXIT LEADING TO THE GARDEN. You can Gift Aid all the offering you make by card. You can use card for Sunday offering/ Offering to the Poor/Second collection/ Shop etc. Please follow the instruction on the welcoming screen. Thanks for using the facility.*



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2022: Registration forms for the 2022 programme will be available from the first weekend of October from the Church Porch.

SATURDAY EVENING CONFESSIONS: Resumed, 5.45-6.15pm.

SUNDAY CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN: Will resume from this Sunday 19th September at 10:30am Mass.

BIBLE STUDY CLASSES: On Thursdays at 7.15pm, starting from this Thursday 23rd September.

PARISH CHOIR: Will resume singing from Sunday 26th September.

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTISE: On Saturdays at 4pm.

PARISH OPEN HOUSE: On Fridays 4-6pm.

READING AT MASS: We hope to resume soon readings at Mass as prior to Covid-19, that means, usual rota with two readers and bidding prayers.

UPDATING READING ROTA: All the existing Readers, please put down your name and the time you wish to read on the sheet provided in the Church Porch (Saturday evening and Sunday Masses).

NEW READERS: If you can join the readers ministry, please fill in an application form and hand over to a priest/ parish office or send a copy electronically to the Parish email.

RCIA AND ADULT CONFIRMATION: Every year, the Parish runs a programme called "RCIA" for any person who was never baptised, or was baptised in another Christian tradition and would like to become a Catholic, or any Catholic adults who have never been confirmed. Please come for an informal open house on Saturday 25th September at 5pm in the Parish Meeting Room (in the Presbytery).

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Will resume their prayer on Tuesday 19th October after evening Mass.

50PLUS CLUB: Returns on Monday 4th October from 12:30-2.30pm in the Café. All are welcome.

OPEN DAY: Tuesday 5th October 9am-10:30am at St Boniface school for new prospective Reception parents (Sept 2022 intake). No appointment is needed.

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP: Is a course of fifteen to hour sessions which will be held on Wednesdays from 7- 9 pm at St Peter & Paul Church, Mitcham started from 15th September.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS: 9.30am on Mon-Sat and Sun at 12:00.

HALL BOOKINGS: Please visit www.stbonifacehall.co.uk, call 0208 672 2345 opt 1, Mobile 07456 514037 Hall queries only. Follow us online @stbonifacehall

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you very much to those who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. *Cleaning Team is requested to inform the parish office before you leave the Church after cleaning so that the doors can be closed and turn off lights.* Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is Week1 (Team 1) at 10am.

CONFESSIONS: On Saturdays 10.30am-11.30am & 5.45pm-6.15pm

DIED RECENTLY: Max McCaffrey, Dolcie McGrath, Daisy Jhugroo, John Doyle & Linda Burns.

FUNERALS: Linda Hine on Monday 20th Sept at 12:00, Daisy Jhugroo on Wednesday 22nd Sept at 12:30, Maria Nkum on Fri 24th Sept at 7.30pm., Dolcie McGrath on Tuesday 28th Sept at 11:45am, Max McCaffrey on 11th Oct 12:30pm.

TO BAPTISE A BABY: Please discuss with a priest during Parish Open House which is every Friday 4pm – 6pm in the Parish Office.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: Is on Monday *27th September at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall.*

NEED TO SEE A PRIEST : If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or wedding or a private matter, please come to the Parish Open House on FRIDAYS. No appointment needed.

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you or a family member are admitted to St George’s Hospital and would like to see a priest, please contact Fr March Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

For all those who are celebrating their birthday this week the Parish wishes you a Happy Birthday and we join you to give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life to you & you a special gift to us. The Parish also wishes every blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

The Sick: Pat Nolan, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Fernando, Michael Andrade, Rosaria Alfonso, Anastasia Ogbonna, Nilojan Mariyathas, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin , Christina Grogan, Matilda Addison, Elizabeth Bosley, Frances Brady, Maureen Connelly, Paric Burke, Eli Lee Roberts, Daniel Bird, Anne Doyle & Mark Sharkey.

Anniversaries: Maurice Noronha, Patrick Walsh, Leslie D’Cruze, William Prendergast, Rosie Walsh, Catherine Cotton, Gelsomina Lepore, Gail Mac-Namara, Mary Aherne, Lucy Francis, May Manuel, George Brown, Ad-daikalamuthu Santiyaku, Anna Frasso, Pipis Garcia Luna. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	18th & 19th September	25th & 26th September
LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the Rota)		
Sat 18.30	Antoine Eglebright	Kirsten D’Souza
09.00	Robin Thomas	Katherine Bennett
10.30	Lola Lawrence	Christi Anoop
12.00	Sharon Wrightman	Finnuala Lynch
13:00	Pam Fernandez	Callum Fernandez
18:30	Ivon Kandiah	Susan Daniel
Cleaning Rota:	Wk1: 19th September @ 10am	Wk2: 27th September @ 7pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity at last week's collection (£2480.96)
 Bag collection ££1,167.46 Card collection: 804.00 & S/O: 509.50



<u>Sunday 19th September</u> TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY YEAR (B) Home Mission Day	09:00 10:30 12:00 13:00 18:30	Valerie Moran Ints/ Eduardo Asis RIP Olga, Helena & Piotr Macuski Joe Moynihan RIP/ Sean O'Dea RIP Ampaba Attipoe Birthday Mary Byrne RIP
Monday 20th September	09:30	Mark Cafferty RIP
	12:00	Funeral: Linda Hines
Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon	18:30	Patricia Maunsell RIP
Tuesday 21st September Saint Matthew	09:30 18.30	Mathew D'Souza Birthday Nwamaka Onuegbu
Wednesday 22nd September Feria	09:30 12:30 18:30	Marie Magee RIP/ Jestoni & Liezl Javier Thanksgiving Funeral: Daisy Jhugroo Fr. Shaju Ints
Thursday 23rd September Saint Pius of Pietrelcina	09:30 18:30	Gladys Braganza RIP. Int Fr Shaju For the people of the Parish
Friday 24th September Our Lady of Walsingham	09:30 18:30 19:30	Peter Jones RIP Danny Gilhooley Funeral Mass: Maria Nkum
Saturday 25th September Blessed Virgin Mary	09:30 18:30	Mr & Mrs Mugo RIP Sean Kearn RIP
<u>Sunday 26th September</u> TWENTY-SIX SUNDAY YEAR (B)	09:00 10:30 12.00 13.00 18.30	Karel Hutter Muriel & Angus Birch RIP Theodore & Domingue Families Maria Luiza Mascarenhas Daisy Jhugroo RIP

<p><u>Monday 20th September</u> Padre Pio Group 7pm Cry Chapel</p> <p><u>Tuesday 21st September</u> No Charismatic Prayer Group</p> <p><u>Wednesday 22nd September</u> Rosary Prayer Group 7pm Cry Chapel</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday 23rd September</u> Knit & Natter Group 3pm Cry Chapel Legion of Mary 7.15pm Cry Chapel Tamil Mass 7.30pm Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday 24th September</u> Parish Open House (4.00pm – 6.00pm in the Presbytery)</p>
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<p>Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday 5.15pm – 6.15 pm</p>	<p>Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am</p>	<p>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am</p>
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