

November Second Collections: Due to the Pandemic as you know second collections have not been taken during the year. The Diocese has requested that certain collections are taken before the end of the year. There will be a second collection on **Sunday 1st November 2020 for the Priests Retirement Fund.** The Fund offers grants each year to the priests who have served our Diocese faithfully during their years of active ministry. Our gift to them through the fund shows them something of our gratitude and our support.



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SUNDAY XXIX 'THROUGH THE YEAR' (YEAR A)
World Mission Sunday

The Prayer to St Michael, by Pope Leo XIII Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Parish Office the Parish Offices will remain closed to the public: BUT any queries can be made by email and will continue to be answered. There will be someone to answer the phone in person on a Friday morning only in St Peter's. Our contact details are below. *If you need a priest urgently, please phone St Peter's Church on 01285 652087*



Rosaries and Prayer Beads What most of us simply call The Rosary is in fact the Dominican Rosary, five decades with an introduction. There are others!! The Servite or Dolour Rosary meditates on the 7 Sorrows of Our Lady. The Franciscan Crown meditates on the 7 Joys of Our Lady. There is the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Chaplet of the Holy Name. Beads and prayer cards can be bought online for all of these

World Mission Sunday is today This Sunday supports Missionaries, who work alongside poor and eddy communities, regards of their background or belief. By supporting MISSIO, the Pope's charity for world mission [**and the famous red boxes**], you are helping Missionaries share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the Mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can financially to support this very important work. This helps us maintain the Church today and build for the future. Please call 02078219755 during office hours or visit MISSIO's helpful website at mission.org.uk.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS NEED TO BE WITH US BY NOON ON WEDNESDAYS

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sat 17th Oct 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's (In thanksgiving)
Sun 18th Oct. 9.00am Mass in St Michael's (Beryl Harding RIP)
11.00am Mass in St Peter's (Pro Populis)

WEEKDAY WORSHIP [Week 29 Year 2 readings]

Mon 19th Oct. Feria/The Canadian Martyrs/St Paul of the Cross
No Public Mass

Tues 20th Oct Feria
9.30am Mass in St Peter's
6.00pm Traditional Latin Mass in St Peter's

Wed 21st Oct Feria
10.00am Mass in St Michael's

Thurs 22nd Oct Feria/St John Paul II
9.30am Mass in St Peter's

Fri 23rd Oct Feria/St John Capistrano
9.30am Mass in St Peter's
Noon Traditional Latin Mass in St Peter's

Sat 24th Oct Feria/St Anthony Mary Claret/Our Lady on Saturday
10.00am Mass in St Michael's (M. J. Head RIP)

NEXT WEEK - SUNDAY XXX 'THROUGH THE YEAR' (YEAR A)

Sat 24th Oct 6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Peter's
Sun 25th Oct. 9.00am Mass in St Michael's
11.00am Mass in St Peter's

CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AT PRESENT

Because of That Virus, the following measures have been put in place: -

- **No baskets are passed around at the Offertory, but are at the back of the church to put your offering and charity donations on leaving the church**
- **No hymn books, Mass cards etc. at present. Use a bulletin and take it home!!!!**

We intercede: -

- For Pope Francis and his work for the Mission of the Church; may his wisdom, humility and compassion guide us in our work.
- For the outreach of the Church across the earth; from the rising of the sun to its setting, may she may preach the Good News with courage, conviction and compassion.
- For all missionaries, clergy, religious and lay people; may they keep their mission focused on Jesus and their commitment to the poor.
- For a greater spirituality in our community; may we respond generously to God's love, in everything we say and do.
- For those who live in places of war, oppression and injustice; may we heal wounds, build bridges, strengthen relationships and bear one another's burdens.
- For the parish of Warminster: may they pursue prayer, communion and mission in equal measure.
- For all who are sick especially those who have endured pain for many years; may God grant them peace and comfort during their illness.
- For all who have died; may they be granted peace and rest in God's heavenly Kingdom, to which they belong through Baptism.



Act of Spiritual Communion Lord Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things, and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul. Since I do not now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul, so that I may unite myself wholly to You, now and forever. Amen.



Thought of the Week In normal circumstances, we would normally be singing a hymn whilst the collection is taken and Father performs the Offertory of the Gifts. Not surprisingly, we therefore focus on the words in front of us and the tune we need to remember. However important this is, we still need to pray the Offertory. This is something that the Corona Crisis forces us to do. It is not merely a functional action of the priest with no significance. It relates to many things. We mentioned it last week in connection with Harvest Thanksgiving and it is mentioned across the page in the Gospel Reflection. Watching what is going on is at least participation with the eyes. More, I need to pray, that is lift up my heart and mind towards the

Lord. In particular, we need to offer ourselves with the bread and wine for consecration. We need to give ourselves consciously to God, to co-operate with His plan for us, for our world and for the extension of His Kingdom on earth [Mission]. The Offertory also represents the First of the Four Great Eucharistic Actions of Jesus, 1) He Took 2) He blessed 3) He broke 4) He gave. As such, it is not insignificant.

MASS TEXTS

Entrance Antiphon: To you, I call; you will surely need me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

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.

First Reading

Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6

Responsorial Psalm. Give the Lord glory and power.

Second Reading

1 St Paul to the Thessalonians 1: 1-5

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia

Gospel

Matthew 22: 15-21

Gospel Reflection *The point about the coin used to pay the Roman taxation was that it was marked clearly as belonging to Caesar, through the imprint of the emperor's head on it. Christ's subtle point is that the whole of creation, including us, bear the imprint and handiwork of God. Whilst Christ does say it is licit for Christians to pay taxes to the civil power, His main thrust is that we need to give back to God what is His, ourselves, our souls and bodies and the whole of creation. This relates directly to the Offertory at Mass, where the fruits of the earth and the work of human hands are presented for God to use for His Kingdom. They belong to Him and we give Him of His own. Graciously, He allows the stewards of creation [US] the use of His good things to sustain and enrich our lives, but they remain His!*

Apostles 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 and 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.

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION & UNDERSTANDING IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES AND WE WISH YOU A BLESSED SUNDAY