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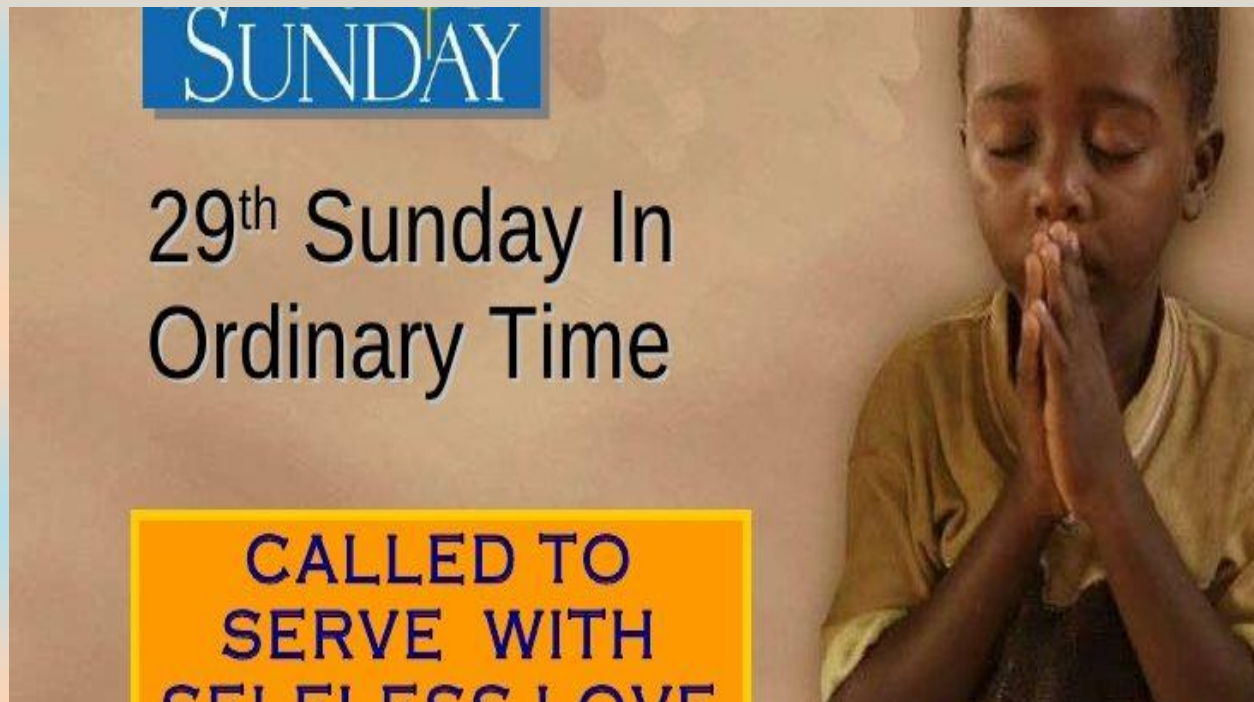
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Dear Friends,

Jesus and his disciples were on their way to Jerusalem. He began to tell them about what was waiting for him in Jerusalem: judgment, condemnation, rejection, abuse and death, but resurrection three days later (Mark 10:35-45).

Now as they heard about what would happen to their master in Jerusalem, they wanted to know whether they could sit beside Jesus in the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus told them that "sitting beside" was a gift from the father. It was up to them now to surrender themselves in service.

They had to redefine greatness. Being great meant being at the service of others. First rank goes to ALL who surrender themselves in service!!! Jesus counselled all leaders to exercise their authority as service.

"Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest and whoever wants to rank first must serve the needs of all"

Pray that you may have the courage and the wisdom to surrender yourself in service.

Pray that you may be gifted by the father with his gift of "sitting beside" him in His Kingdom.

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

When	Where	Masses Requested	Saints & Feasts
Sat 19 th Oct 5.30pm	St. Peter's		Adoration followed by Mass
Sun 20 th Oct 9.00am 11.00am	St. Michael's St. Peter's		Twenty Ninth Sunday
Mon 21 st Oct	No Mass		
Tue 22 nd Oct	No Mass		St. John Paul II
Wed 23 rd Oct	No Mass		
Thu 24 th Oct	No Mass		St. Antony Mary Claret
Fri 25 th Oct	No Mass		

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

In St. Peter's Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

In St. Michael's Wednesday 10.30am to 11.00am

A Warm Welcome: today is Sunday 20th October. As always, we welcome visitors and newcomers to join our "regulars," asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces on us all. You are most welcome to join us for coffee and tea in the Parish Hall.

NO MASS

As I will be making my annual retreat in Kairos (London), there will be no mass from **21st to 25th** of this month. Kindly keep me in your prayers, and be assured of my prayers for you as well. Thank you for your understanding.

TODAY (SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER) IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



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Today. Tomorrow. Together.

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity, and action. We are called to 'go and invite everyone to the banquet' for the joy of Christ's Resurrection is a gift meant to be shared with the entire world. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace, and justice to those in need.

There will be a second collection today. Donations are collected at all worldwide Masses and they go, in their entirety, to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

Missio works through local bishops, churches and missionary congregations to ensure that resources are distributed equitably and justly – on the basis of need. The money goes directly from England and Wales to the bishops in the mission territories – local Church directly helping the local Church!

If you would like to donate, or please use the Missio envelope, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit, and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE: PRAYERS FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES

As we approach the sacred month of November, we are called to offer special prayers for our loved ones who have passed, particularly those who died through violence, war, or those who may have no one to pray for them.

In keeping with tradition, remembrance envelopes and sheets are available at the back of the church. We invite you to fill out the forms with the names of those you wish to remember. These will be placed on the altar throughout the month. Kindly return the completed envelopes to the parish office.

Let us come together in prayer and remembrance, ensuring that no one is forgotten.

HARVEST LUNCH SUCCESS AT ST. PETER'S

A heartfelt thank you goes out to Cathy Nelson, CAFOD representative of St. Peter's, for organizing such a wonderful Harvest Lunch last Sunday. We also extend our gratitude to everyone who supported her, contributed food, and participated in the event. Thanks to your generosity, we raised an impressive £502.50 to support communities around the world. The total amount of collection for CAFOD from St. Peter's for this year is £921.20.

This year's appeal focuses on empowering people by helping them learn new skills and fulfill their God-given potential. The dignity of work, a cornerstone of Catholic Social Teaching, reminds us of the importance of providing opportunities for all to thrive.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to this cause!



STEWARDSHIP AT ST. PETER'S

We are grateful for all the donations that we receive, and every donation made, whether large or small, plays an important role in helping to secure the long-term future of our Church. Your support helps fund St. Peter's ongoing daily running costs as well as essential maintenance work that is vital to making sure our beautiful church will continue to be here for years to come.

The easiest and most effective way is by setting up a monthly standing order, or by using the Dona machine in the church. **If you are a UK taxpayer, your donation can be increased by 25% from the government at no additional cost to you by completing a Gift Aid declaration.**

Standing order – This is the easiest way to make a regular contribution to our church. Take and complete one of the standing order forms that are available at the back of the church and return it to Fr. Maria after one of our Masses at St. Peter's. This will be registered on our system and sent off to your bank for you.

Contactless Machine – If you prefer to make your donations using the contactless machine in church and, if you can, register your card when you make your donation for Gift Aid. You only must do this once and then all future donations made with the same card will automatically be applied.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver". 2 Corinthians 9:7

Thank you for your continued support to our parish

ST. MICHAEL'S SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR 2024-25

The social committee had a meeting and have come up with some ideas for social gatherings and fund raising. The suggested list is located in the church porch. Please have a look and tick your preferences for activities. We would also be happy to hear your suggestions, please put them on the bottom of the list for consideration.

All ideas welcome!

Christmas Raffle to be drawn at the Christmas meal at St. Michael's on the 13th of December 2024. We would like to politely request a contribution of raffle prizes for this. Thank you!!!



Offertory Collection

Last Week:

St. Peter's: £479.71 (incl. via the Dona Machine)

Second Collection (PACT): £124.65

St. Michael: £124.35

Second Collection: CAFOD: £225.15

PACT: £135.80

THANK YOU

