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THE TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – 8TH SEPTEMBER 2024

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH

"Let us pray that each of us hears with the heart the cry of the Earth and victims of natural disasters and climate change, personally committing to care for the world we inhabit."

Dates	OLOL MASS TIMES	SJF MASS TIMES
SATURDAY 07.09.2024 Our Lady on Saturday	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (Constance O'Connell+, Hilda Meechan+)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Benefactors)
SUNDAY 08.09.2024 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Education Day	8.45 am: Holy Mass: (Patricia Marchant+, Daisy Joseph+) 11.15 am: Holy Mass: (Romeo Rocchetti+, Paola's father)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Young people returning to school)
MONDAY 09.09.2024 St Peter Claver	9.30 am: Holy Mass (Luckose, 2 nd Annv.+, Jane Flannagan+, Maggie Kelly+)	12.30 pm: Holy Mass (Fr Mortimer Flanagan+, Fr James Smith+)
TUESDAY, 10.09.2024 Feria	9.30 am: Holy Mass (Oscar Giray+, Cresencio Barasona Sr+.), Clifford Burt+, Anna Crutchle+, Clement Sandhurst+, Eileen Mary Marlena Cooke+)	12.30 pm: Holy Mass (Thanksgiving)
WEDNESDAY 11.09.2024 Feria	9.30 am: Holy Mass (Canon William Burrows+)	12.30 pm: Holy Mass (Peace in the Holy Land)
THURSDAY 12.09.2024 The Most Holy Name of Mary	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (Annamma Thomas+)	6.30 pm: Holy Mass (Peace in Ukraine)
FRIDAY 13.09.2024 St John Chrysostom BD	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (For Vocations to the priesthood and religious life)	6.30 pm: Holy Mass (For the sick and housebound)
SATURDAY 14.09.2024 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Feast	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (Lorna Plata+, Cresencio & Rogelia+, May Gannon+) 1.15: Confessions in Cantoneese 2.00 Holy Mass in Cantoneese	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Pro populo)
SUNDAY 15.09.2024 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Evangelii Gaudium Day	8.45 am: Holy Mass: (Daisy Joseph+, Thomas Ferandez+) 11.15 am: Holy Mass: (Bishop Arthur Riddell)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Benefactors)

ORDER OF MASS

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 118: 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

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.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah: Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: 145(146):7-10

R. My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

A reading from the Letter from James: 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people.

Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: 1S3:9, Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark: Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region.

And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle.

Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly.

And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

Niceno-Constantinopolitan 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,

(Please bow)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

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.

Memorial Acclamation

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

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 41: 2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

NOTICES

WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE: Sunday 1st **September** 2024, at 8.45 am – 122 people and at 11.15 am - 114 people. **Total = 236 people.**

OLOL FINANCE: Thank you very much for your generosity. Last week you gave: Standing Orders: £1059; Dona: £49.16; Cash Offerings: £126; Hall: £160.

Cheques payable to OLOL & SJF PARISH. Bank transfer: Barclays Bank, Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 03187 187. Please note that although this is named as a parish account it is in fact the Sawston account.

CATECHISM CLASSES will run from October 2024-June 2025. **Please sign up by 15th of September** so we can order sufficient books. Parents evenings will be held in September for both classes. Please fill out the forms found on the website and hand in to the parish office. First Holy Communion for Year 3 and above. Confirmation for Year 9 and above. Date of Confirmation: Sunday 20 July 2025 at 11:15 Mass.

THE NEW SUNDAY MISSAL will be available from the beginning of Advent. We have been offered a

discounted price of £13 for this missal, if we order in multiples of 10. It would be a good book to have in your hands and could be a good gift for young people, especially candidates for Confirmation.

ANNUAL AFRICAN MASS: You are all invited to the Annual African Mass at St Philip Howard Catholic Church, 33 Walpole Road. CB1 3TH on Saturday 28th Sept 2024 at 5.30pm prompt.

After the Mass, there will be a bring-and-share food and drinks reception followed by fundraising events (raffle, quiz, talent show, etc.) to support the church renovation.

If you have items to donate for the raffle, please reach out to Dominic (07423557593), Isaac (07751877109), or Rose (07952580467)

MAGNIFICAT with readings from the new Lectionary: Annual subscriptions for individuals are currently £49.00 per year and can be purchased via our link:

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All orders received by the 10th September can start with the October issue.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS IN OSCOTT 14TH SEPTEMBER: As there are a limited number of spaces available to the Diocese, Bishop Peter is asking for 1 priest and two lay faithful to attend from each of our deaneries. If you wish your name to be put forward, please speak to Fr. John as soon as possible. Participation is at no cost and there will be two pick-up points for the coach (Newmarket and St Lukes, Peterborough). Participants will need to make their way to one or the other and bring their own packed lunch as catering at Oscott will be very limited.

CAFOD's Talk: Join us after 9.30am Mass and the 10am coffee hub at St Laurence's Church 91 Milton Road, Cambridge, CB4 1XB on **Saturday 21 September** to find out more about this year's appeal and the story of Daniel, a carpenter from the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

All welcome, for more information contact Jane from CAFOD in East Anglia on 07779 804252 or email: jcrone@cafod.org.uk

SEASON OF CREATION: Creation is part of God's revelation, we must learn from and with Creation to know how to hope and act for a better future. It is important for us is to listen to the voices that cry out. Faith leaders invite us to the Season of Creation (we suggest listening to the Indian Bishop <https://youtu.be/vLI5cT-56Yk>)

Please see the Facebook of Cambridge Justice and Peace Group for more information.

Fr John Minh's Tenure as Dean of St. Andrew's Deanery came to an end last June. Bishop Peter asks him to carry on until a new Dean is appointed.

Please pray that the clergy in the Deanery may nominate a new candidate to the Bishop soon, especially at the coming Deanery meeting on 12th September in Ely. For more information, please see <https://rcdea.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/The-Dean-and-the-Deanery4e3.pdf>

Canon Simon Blakesley (St Laurence's), Fr Anil Zachary (OLEM), and Fr Simon Davies: as you may see in the Diocesan newspaper and website that these priests are moving to their new appointments. We thank them for their good work in our area, and wish them all the best for their future. Pray that new priests may be appointed to St Laurence's and Sacred Heart (St Ives) soon.

Daughters of Divine Charity are hoping to find a property in Cambridgeshire close to Cambridge which they can use as a Convent. They are looking for a six-bedroom property if possible. If you know of or hear of any properties up for sale in your area within close proximity of Cambridge please contact Mother Provincial, Sr Linda Pergaga email: lindafdc@yahoo.it. It will be wonderful to have another religious house in our area.

Xmas Raffle 2024 to be drawn at Xmas Bazaar on 30 November – It has been suggested that the proceeds of this year's raffle be divided between the Arthur Rank Hospice and Mary's Meals. Please let the Parish Office know if you have any strong objections or want to make an alternative suggestion.

Welcome to Visitors!

We hope you feel welcome and will join us for tea/ coffee in the Church Hall after Sunday Masses.