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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8th & 9th September 2018

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick

Doreen Murphy, George Hebda, Fred Brattley, Doreen Bennett, Ewan Macadam, Dorothy Swift, Josie Coates, Beryl Trowell, Doreen Cartledge, Arthur Moulton, Joe Doyle, John Burke, Betty Whieldon, Lynn Kent, Winifred Booth, Jan Spooner, Nancy Dykes, Dylan Alcock, Jill Jervis, Angie Macadam, Kathleen Lavan, Mary Webster, Andy Johnson.

THE SICK: If you would like someone including on the sick list on the notice sheets, please fill in a form at the back of Church. Please make sure that anyone whose name is on the list is happy to be included. If there is anyone who needs prayer or a visit but doesn't want to be on the list on the Notice Sheets, please let Fr Eric know &/or fill in a pink form.

Rest in Peace

Betty Marken, Jean Holt, Steven Jones
All who have died recently and those with anniversaries falling at this time.

WEEKEND 8TH-9TH SEPTEMBER

SECOND COLLECTION AT ALL MASSES FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE

WEEKEND 15TH-16TH SEPTEMBER

SECOND COLLECTION AT ALL MASSES FOR HOME MISSION SUNDAY.

PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.

Saturday 8 September:

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00 am: Cheadle: Shrine of Our Lady Of Walsingham

Followed by Exposition with Holy Rosary

10.30 am-11.00 am: Cheadle: Confessions

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (VIGIL)

4.30pm-4.50 pm: Cheadle: Confessions

5.00 pm: Cheadle: Deceased of the Turner family

Sunday, 9 September

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Education Day

10.30 am: Cheadle: All involved in education

5.00pm-5.20pm: Tean: Confessions

5.30 pm: Tean: People of the Parishes

Monday, 10 September: Feria in Ordinary Time

9.15 am: Tean: Celebrant's Intention

9.15 am: Cheadle: Roger Langley

Tuesday, 11 September: Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00 am: Cheadle: Jean Holt

10.30 am: Cheadle: Exposition

6.30 pm: Tean: Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday, 12 September: Feria in Ordinary Time

9.15 am: Cheadle: Eucharistic Service

9.15 am: Tean: Celebrant's Intention

Thursday, 13 September: Memorial of St John

Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

9.00 am: Cheadle: (School Mass): St Giles' school

6.30 pm: Tean: Celebrant's Intention

Friday, 14 September: Feast of the Exaltation

of the Holy Cross

9.15 am: Tean: (School Mass): St Thomas' school

6.00 pm: Tean: Holy Rosary

6.30 pm: Tean: Steven Jones

Saturday 15 September:

Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

10.00 am: Cheadle: Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes

Followed by Exposition with Holy Rosary

10.30 am-11.00 am: Cheadle: Confessions

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (VIGIL)

4.30pm-4.50 pm: Cheadle: Confessions

5.00 pm: Cheadle: Intentions of those who mourn

Sunday, 16 September

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Home Mission Sunday

10.30 am: Cheadle: People of the Parishes

5.00pm-5.20pm: Tean: Confessions

5.30 pm: Tean: Holy Souls

Thought for the Week.

The first reading from Isaiah speaks of God coming to our help, healing the lame, the blind, the deaf and the dumb and turning the desert into a fertile land. Jesus, in His ministry fulfils this prophecy. Today we hear of Him healing the deaf and dumb. Jesus reaches out to those on the margins and restores them to health and brings them into the Kingdom. He reveals that the Kingdom of God is not exclusive – it is for everyone and all are equal in God's eyes. St. James offers us a glimpse into Christian behaviour as it ought to be, in perfect accordance to the will of God, full of justice and fairness and equality. We strive for perfection even though we are painfully aware that our human nature means we will never achieve it in this life. We all need Christ to heal us spiritually. Jesus' healings reveal the nature of the Kingdom, the wholeness, the harmony and the justice which God intends for us. St. James reminds us that we have not only the ability but the duty to begin living the Kingdom now. Jesus died to heal us and to restore us to our rightful place in the Kingdom. The more we live the new life He has given to us now, the less we live the life of the world, and the less hold the world has on our lives

ST. THOMAS' TEAN.

One of the occasional visitors to Mass last week was a familiar old face, Joe Smith, BBC Radio Stoke's resident gardening expert and former governor at St. Mary's school, Leek. Joe had seen the "Gardeners' World" episode with Monty Don recently when they highlighted floribunda roses. The best roses for British gardens included the rose which is in our very own St. Thomas' garden, at the front of the site, near the notice board. The Rose is of course the aptly named Thomas A Becket, and is a real beauty. Deep red in colour (martyrs' blood red) with a sweet scent we bought this shortly after it was brought onto the market. It made its first appearance at RHS Harlow Carr in Yorkshire and we bought it the first week.

Joe has offered to visit in Spring and to prune it for us. I hope he makes a decent job of it! I'm sure he will. Joe is to be heard from week to week at around Sunday at midday on 94.6 FM on Radio Stoke with Terry Walsh. Radio Stoke make a better job of the gardening slot than they do on covering my beloved Stoke City matches. Each time they have covered an away match Stoke seem to lose. Not good enough!

Next Tuesday, September 11th, we, the parishioners of St. Thomas' , have been invited to our parish school to join the children and staff in a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This will be in the school hall from 2pm. The school is joining with other schools across the Archdiocese in this linked session with our Birmingham HQ. It is a wonderful idea to start off the new school year and we hope that as many as possible will be able to take part in this traditional form of reflection, prayer, adoration and meditation. There is no need to book but, in fairness to the staff, we ought to let them know just how many will descend on them on Tuesday.

There is a sheet of paper on the altar rails for people to indicate they are going to attend. No pressure , just a rough idea, whether it's three, three hundred or whatever.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER 10.30 AM MASS PARISH ROOM, PRESBYTERY.

FAIRTRADE STALL AT ST GILES': After Mass this weekend 8th-9th Sept..

DAY OF EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WITH PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS ST GILES'

FRIDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER Please sign the list at the back of Church if you are able to take part. Thank-you.

Begins with Mass at 8.15 am

Fr Eric & St Giles' School covering Exposition 9.00am-11.30am

Please sign up for half hour sessions 11.30am-5.00pm.

If anyone would like to continue Exposition after 5.00pm, please see Fr Eric. Thank you.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP re-starts this Monday 10th Sept 2.00pm (refreshments from 1.45pm),

Parish Room, Presbytery.

PRESENTATION TO SUE BAKER, FORMER PARISH ADMINISTRATOR At 10.30am Mass Sunday 7th

October.

SAFEGUARDING IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM: SCIE REVIEW: Archbishop Bernard Longley has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. This review is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese and have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experiences with SCIE then please contact Hugh Constant (Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207).

Parish Finances:

St. Giles'

Gift Aid: £303.87;

Non Gift Aid: £246.14;

Total: £550.01.

SVP Kerala appeal: £596.41

St Thomas'

Gift Aid: £128.00;

Non Gift Aid: £92.05;

Total: £220.05.

SVP Kerala appeal: £201.36

Pope's Intentions for September

Universal: Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

READERS: If you are unable to attend please find a substitute.

Saturday 8 September

Val Smith

Sunday 9 September

Mark Downie

Saturday 15 September

Lucas Weaver

Sunday 16 September

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A full list of readers is available from the sacristy & on the Parish website– stgilesheadle.org.uk

CARE HOMES HYMN SERVICES:

Beech Lodge:

27th September (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE), 1st Nov, 20th Dec on Thursdays at 2.30 p.m.

S.V.P: If you know of anyone in need of help, or who would like a visit, please contact the Parish Office on 753130.