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Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8th/9th October 2022



Year C, Volume 2: (Page 149): 2 Kings 5:14-17; Psalm 97; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19

Next Week: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 152): Exodus 17:8-13; Psalm 120; 2 Timothy 3:14, 4:2; Luke 18:1-8



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Protecting your Privacy:

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Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at www.churchservices.tv

MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 10am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 10.00am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ethnic Chaplaincies: Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian Mass 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

Dear Friends,

It seems to me that in modern times (and perhaps in all previous times) the worst thing a powerful person can do is to admit his or her weakness to others. Certainly from a worldly perspective our modern politicians could take a moment or two, to do what our church is asking all of us to do, and that is to reflect on today's readings.

Naaman, the Syrian is a person who enjoys power, but he is also a person of humility who does not let embarrassment prevent him from admitting his weakness. When he is healed, he offers praise to God through the eyes of faith This is exactly what the Church tells us through the readings at Mass today.

Let us also think of the Samaritan. I must admit that whenever I hear or read of a Samaritan in scripture I always think "foreigner or outsider". A special feature of today's gospel passage is the grateful Samaritan. The Samaritans certainly had their own history, and this inevitably led to a different view to the orthodox view, and ultimately this in turn led to inevitable arguments, hostilities and separation.

That said, imagine, just for a moment the ten lepers huddled together in some kind of miserable existence, they wouldn't have had much, but one thing they did have was the faith to appeal to Jesus and to believe in his word. But then, it somehow seems that they promptly forgot about the giver of the gift and left the scene no doubt congratulating each other with their good fortune.

The lone Samaritan (foreigner) among them had a different response. We read that when he saw he was healed, he came back, praising God in a loud voice. He thanked Jesus, not just verbally but by throwing himself at his feet. He was the one who pleased Christ by his gratitude.

This tells us many things. I guess the most obvious is that there can be unexpected riches and resources in those who may at first glance be the most unlikely possessors of these gifts.

The Samaritans were seen by the Jews as heretics and foreigners and in all probability they were mistaken in their view of themselves. That said, many of them outshone followers of the true religion, both during Christ's public ministry and at the time of the early church.

The Samaritan leper responded to Christ more highly than his orthodox companions. He also offers us the important concept of gratitude. He and they had faith to appeal to Christ in their need and to believe his word, but only the Samaritan was grateful to him for his mercy.

So, let us take our cue from the Samaritan (foreigner or outsider) and for ever be profoundly grateful.

Have a blessed week,

Deacon Colin

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

CONFIRMATION 2023

If your child would like to join us for their faith journey to Confirmation in 2023 please email Cathy Early cathythecatechist@outlook.com

For young people 14-18 beginning their journey to Confirmation in 2023, Fr David, Deacon Rolly and Tanya invite you to **THE BIG SUMMIT** on **Friday 21st October from 6.30pm-8.30pm** in Westminster Cathedral, with crowds of young people for an evening of inspiring talks, Adoration of Jesus in the Sacrament, worship song and confession. Please contact Fr David if you would like to attend. You will need a consent form from Fr David or Cathy Early. Parents are welcome to attend. We will meet at 5pm at Feltham Station. Come and enjoy

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLMENT 2022/2023

If your child is in school Year 2 or above and in a non-Catholic School please email theresafernandes@aol.com for an enrolment form. Classes start this Sunday after the 9.30am Mass. Closing date for applications is Sunday 30th October 2022.

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Would you like to find out more about the Catholic faith or do you want to become a Catholic, or deepen your personal spiritual life. Please contact Fr David or Deacon Colin.

MASS & ANOINTING FOR THE SICK

After a two-year absence, the Annual Mass of Healing and Anointing for the Sick, will take place on **Saturday 29th October** at 11.00am, followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. This is for all our housebound or sick parishioners.

There are lists on the table in the porch for those who would like to attend, helpers, offers of lifts for those with no transport - we need offers of help to bring people to Church and take them back. There will be refreshments in the Parish Centre after Mass and offers of help would be appreciated.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Fr David will be celebrating some additional Masses during the weekdays, time permitting. Please see Mass Intentions for times of Masses.

MASS INTENTIONS

Our parish diary for Mass Intentions this year is full. We are being able to accommodate some Mass Intentions thanks to the extra Masses Fr David is celebrating but there is a waiting list so please be patient with us. Booking of Masses for 2023 will open towards the end of November.

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

During October the Rosary will be recited after the 10am Mass during the weekdays and before the 11am Mass on Saturdays.



ANNUAL MASS COUNT

This will be the fourth weekend of The Annual Mass Count. All ushers and those from our different Ethnic Chaplaincies please complete your counting sheet and return to Fr John after Mass.

CAFOD Family Fast Day – World Food Crisis Appeal

Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. As people of faith we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today as you leave Church or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the envelope for our parish collection or go to cafod.org.uk/fastday.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

Last week's collection was

Loose: £1,133.76 Envelopes: £242.75 Total: £1,376.51

Standing Orders and Online donations September – £4,030.27

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HSBC Bank: WRCDT Feltham Sort code: 40-05-20 – Acc. No: 71095528

SECONDARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Fr John will be available for School Form signing on the following dates. Please put your name on the lists in the porch. There are 15 slots for each date. Please bring your child with you and all the forms you need and wait in Church including the Certificate of Catholic Practice forms.

Saturday 15th October – 9am-10am;

Wait in the Parish Centre on:

Sunday: 16th October after the 11am Mass

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ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY

The Open Mornings are on Wednesdays from 9-10am on:

2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd November. The application process for admission to school in **Reception 2023** opens on 31st October 2022

website <https://www.st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk/admissions/> or direct from the school office on 01932 785396 or by email a.mason@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk from 31st October 2022 onwards.

REST IN PEACE

EMI FITZGIBBON RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Emi Fitzgibbon RIP who died recently. Her funeral will take place here on **Monday 10th October at 10.30am.** This is the **parish Mass that day.** We also keep in prayer all her family and friends who mourn her.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 8	11.00am 5.00pm	Intentions of the Power Family Isabella Dias RIP (3 rd Anniversary)
* Sun 9	8.00am	Leticia Vaz and Mariquinha Fernandes RIP (Anniversary)
	9.30am	Gabriel D'Souza RIP (4 th Anniversary)
	11.00am	John Igboanugo Jnr RIP
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
	2.30pm	Mass in Ukrainian
Mon 10	8.15am 10.30am	Felipe Alin & Jovit Esteban RIP REQUEIM MASS – EMI FITZGIBBON RIP
Tues 11	10.00am	Holy Souls – Pham Family RIP
	10.45am	Class Mass Year 6 (Sr Catherine Carroll RIP)
	7.00pm	Norah Evans RIP
Wed 12	10.00am	Deceased members of the McGillcuddy Family RIP
Thurs 13	10.00am	Raymond Beirne RIP (Anniversary)
Fri 14	10.00am	Gabriel Danladi RIP (Anniversary)
Sat 15	11.00am	Werlein Grace D'Costa in Thanksgiving – First Birthday
	5.00pm	Barbara May Light RIP (20 th Anniversary)
* Sun 16	8.00am	Danielle Philo Sebastian in Thanksgiving
	9.30am	Alaia Pereira – Birthday Thanksgiving
	11.00am	Alex Soares RIP
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
	2.30pm	Mass in Malayalam
Sanctuary Lamp: Esther Kusi-Appiah RIP		

REFLECTION

Prayer is the strength of the Christian and of every person who believes. In the weakness and frailty of our lives, we can turn to God with the confidence of children and enter into communion with him. In the face of so many wounds that hurt us and harden our hearts, we are called to dive into the sea of prayer, which is the sea of God's boundless love, to taste his tenderness. *(Pope Francis)*