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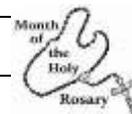
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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th/10th October 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 2: Wisdom 7:7-11; Psalms 89; Hebrews 4:12-13; Mark 10:17-30

Next Week: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Isaiah 53:10-11; Psalm 32; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45



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NEW MASS TIMES FROM SEPTEMBER

Sunday Masses: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday: 10am Mass

Saturday Morning: 11.00am Mass

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

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

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

Dear Friends

I seem to recall when I was a child my parents saying to me that all that glitters isn't gold. It seems to me that in this 21st century in which we live there are too many who live amongst us that are motivated by material wealth, some of whom have never even had to work particularly hard as their wealth was inherited. Wisdom, however cannot be inherited from our ancestors. Wisdom can only be given to us by God's grace.

In today's Gospel the wealthy young man approaches Jesus and asks "What must I do to gain eternal life?" I guess he was essentially saying, "I haven't killed anyone, I haven't robbed anyone, I've been faithful to my wife and I value the succinct wisdom that is given to me by my parents." "Even though I say so myself, I'm a decent bloke!!"

The reply that Jesus gives is to advise the young man to sell everything he owns and give the money to the poor, and only then could he become a disciple of Christ. I don't think Jesus was against wealth per se, but he was against wealth for the sake of showing off. I don't know what wealthy living meant in Jesus' time but in our 21st century I dare say the young man would have driven off in his Bentley back to his house on a gated development in an affluent area.

What Jesus did do was acknowledge that in keeping the commandments the young man would get to heaven, but in reality the young man was only doing the bare minimum to achieve this. Jesus challenged the young man to do so much more than merely avoiding evil, and to use his wealth to actually do some good. Sadly, the young man didn't accept the challenge and returned to his comfortable lifestyle.

Being wealthy is not a sin, but to wallow in that wealth, buying material goods that we don't want or need, but somehow we buy anyway for the purpose of showing off, is a sin. We need the wisdom from above to identify our priorities, to recognise actions that separate us from the love of Christ.

Perhaps it is our inability to trust or to love. Maybe we are loaded down with so many self-centred hopes, habits and worries, that we are unable to enter into a deeper relationship with Christ. Perhaps it's our way of thinking and relating to people

We shouldn't be afraid to ask Jesus the same question that the young man asked. Jesus what must I do? We shouldn't worry how costly it might appear, if we are courageous enough to follow Jesus, it will lead to eternal happiness for us and for others, we would do well to remember that "all that glitters isn't gold" but equally true is all that is valuable doesn't glitter.

Have a blessed week,

Deacon Colin

WESTMINSTER SYNODAL PATHWAY

Further to the letter from the Archbishop and Father's announcement last week regarding the Synodal Pathway.

The kind of questions we hope to explore are, among others:

- During this terrible pandemic what strengths did I find in my faith and faith community?

- How, during this time, was I disappointed and sorrowful?

- What could we do better?

- How do we choose priorities for our own mission?

We look forward to working together and alongside the communities within our church family to put forward everyone's hopes for the future.

Cathy Early and Janet Danladi



The Sunday obligation is still suspended.

Masks are recommended when in Church.

When in Church please use our phone app or sign in for track and trace.

Please continue to sanitize your hands.

The Government guidelines states that you should not come to church if you have Covid-19 symptoms, or you are shielding or self-isolating.

Bidding Prayers for the week:

Let us come before God our Father, offering our hearts and our prayers for ourselves and for all those who are in need at this time.

We pray for the Pope and all religious leaders as they work to bring hope to our beautiful but often traumatised world: may their inspiration give us courage and strength.

We pray for St John Henry Newman: may he be instrumental in bringing Catholics and Anglicans closer together in faith and understanding.

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During Prisons Week, we pray for all those who are held in prison for whatever cause, that they might find God walking with them and that their families might have the support that they need.

For people who are sick and feel they are a burden, for all who are in hospital and residential care, for those suffering with Covid-19, and for all those who love and care for them.

For all the faithful departed: that they may find rest for their souls and be led rejoicing through the gates of paradise.

God our Father, we ask you to hear the prayers and, in your great love, help us to spread your love in our world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SUNDAY SCHOOL

If your child is in a non-Catholic school and is in Year 2 or above and would like to prepare for First Holy Communion, please enrol your child for Sunday School classes. Please request the relevant form from theresafernandes@aol.com.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION IN ADULTS (RCIA)

Would you like to find out more about the Catholic Faith? Have you been searching for a deeper meaning for your life? Do you share your life with a Catholic, perhaps you are supporting your husband or wife bringing up your children in the Catholic Faith. If you are interested in learning more or thinking about becoming a Catholic, please call Fr John on 0787 905 8732.

MASS INTENTIONS

There are very few Mass Intentions left for 2021.

Bookings for Mass Intentions in 2022 will start at the end of November. Please think carefully about your Mass Intentions as each family are allowed three Masses for the year. If space available later, we will accommodate other requests.

THE ROSARY DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

October being the month of the Rosary, all parishioners are invited to join in the Rosary after Daily Mass except on a Sunday when you are encouraged to say it at home as a family.

We have a selection of rosaries and prayer books in the repository.

BRIGHTSPARKS STAY AND PLAY

The Stay and play group for babies and toddlers is now open on a Monday, Wednesday and Thursday morning from 9.15am to 12noon. Restricted numbers allowed at this time. Please call Vanessa for more information on 07956 237401

AMAL IN THE CATHEDRAL

Little Amal, a 3.5m puppet of a refugee girl, is walking from the border of Turkey / Syria to Manchester, 8000km, in search of her mother. On her journey she will visit Westminster Cathedral on **Monday 25th October at 2pm**, where she will be welcomed by Cardinal Vincent. You are invited to join Cardinal Vincent for this Welcome Liturgy and to learn more about migrants and refugees. It is during half term week, an opportunity for families to come together. Further information about Little Amal's journey is available at <https://www.walkwithamal.org/> Please be seated by 1.45pm.

Thank you for your generous contributions during these times. The contactless machine is available in the Church.

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CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE - SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFERS

Please phone Fr. John on 0787 905 8732 to arrange for the required Certificate of Catholic Practice

FINANCE REPORT

Next weekend 16/17 October we will be distributing a leaflet on the finances of the parish as at the end of 2020.

UCM

There will be a UCM Meeting on **Monday 11th October** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

CARDINAL VAUGHAN OPEN EVENINGS

Please note that there is no need to book for these events.

Year 12 Open Evenings - Tuesday 12th October 2021 at 5.00pm. The Head will speak at 5.00pm. The last tour of the school will take place at 6.00pm.

SRRCC SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2022

St Richard Reynolds Catholic College is delighted to announce two scheduled talks from the College Principal, Mr Burke and our Head of Sixth Form, Anna Lord. If you are interested in attending the talk, please book a ticket using the links below:

[Principal Talk - Tuesday 12th October](#)

[Head of Sixth Form Talk - Tuesday 19th October](#)

Please visit our website <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/> for further information

SRRCC PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2022 – Please see website

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Denise Holme RIP, Jim Cooney RIP, Laetitia Bonin RIP, Arthur Levins RIP** and **Adelaida Shah RIP** who died recently. Please also keep their families and loved ones in your prayers at this time.

Adelaida Shah RIP – Her Funeral Service will take place on **Monday 11 October at 3.20pm** at South West Middlesex Crematorium.

Arthur Levins RIP - His Requiem will take place here on **Wednesday 13 October at 12noon**.

Jim Cooney RIP – His Requiem will take place here on **Wednesday 20th October at 11.15am**.

Denise Holme RIP – Her funeral is being arranged.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 9	11am	Zita Dieseru (Special Intention)
	5pm	Valerie Gill RIP (Anniversary)
Sun 10	8am	Charlie Lobo RIP
	9.30am	Gabriel D'Souza RIP (Anniversary)
	11am	Stephen Vaz RIP and Milagres Rodrigues RIP
Mon 11	10am	Thomas Blanchfield RIP (1 st Anniversary)
Tues 12	10am	Timothy, Miranda & Megan Hurley in Thanksgiving
Wed 13	10am	Roberto Ordon RIP (Anniversary)
	12noon	REQUIEM – ARTHUR LEVINS RIP
Thurs 14	10am	Gabriel G Danladi RIP (Anniversary)
Fri 15	10am	Daphne D'Mello RIP
Sat 16	11am	Tony Abrahams RIP
	5pm	Alex Soares RIP
Sun 17	8am	Cecilia Coelho RIP
	9.30am	Joan Brown RIP
	11am	Barbara May Light RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: Mama Felicia A Forson RIP		

Prayer for the Year of St Joseph



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To You God entrusted his only Son;
in You Mary placed her trust;
with You Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph to us too, show yourself as Father
and guide us on the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*