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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

19th/20th October 2024

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27th October - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 149): Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 125; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

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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

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

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

Rosary – Monday & Friday– 10am; Devotion to St Anthony –Tuesday 10am Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help – Wednesday 10am

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DEFIBRILLATOR IN CHURCH PORCH

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

James and John want to be on top. They want to sit on either side of Jesus in His glory.

The other ten disciples are angry about this. I picture them looking at James and John, saying, "You are arrogant, selfish, and presumptuous. Who do you think you are?" It sounds like James and John are pretty full of themselves. Their egos are inflated, and they are living with an exaggerated sense of their own importance. They want to sit in glory and be great. But who among us doesn't want that?

Let me tell you a story.

A man, dissatisfied with his life, wants to become successful, and therefore, happy. So, he seeks out a millionaire. The millionaire is the head of a huge company. He has fancy cars, many possessions, and most importantly, a huge mansion. His business is the leader in his industry. It's safe to say he's a conventional success. Let's call the first man Mike and the millionaire Richard.

Mike asks Richard, "How do I become successful?"

"Walk to the beach with me," Richard says. "I will teach you the secrets to success."

Mike agrees, and they proceed onto the sand. Richard continues walking into the ocean. Mike is a little confused, but he follows. The water is now up to their shoulders. Richard turns and pulls Mike underwater. Mike is terrified. He flails maniacally, scratches, kicks, and elbows Richard. He uses every bit of his strength trying to get the man off him, but it's no use. Seconds are passing away. He wishes, prays, and struggles even harder, but he is becoming lightheaded. He knows he is finished. He looks out from under the water one last time, but then he is above water. Richard has pulled him out.

Mike gasps for air and spits out water. "What was that for?" he yells.

"To be successful," Richard says, "you need to want success like you want to breathe."

My brothers and sisters, do you want to be successful and great in your life, too? Don't you want to be successful and great in your work, in the things you do, in friendship, marriage, and parenting, in your community, in the eyes of others, in your own eyes, and above all, in your faith and prayer? Don't you want to sit in the glory of greatness, so you never again have to worry or wonder if you are enough?

Most of us have been told or taught that we're not supposed to want that. And yet, haven't there been times in your life when you got too big for your boots? That seems to be what's going on with James and John in today's Gospel. They've gotten too big for their shoes. But maybe that's not such a bad thing.

What are you really looking for in those times when you get too big for your shoes? Maybe it's attention, recognition, approval, or applause. Maybe it's power or control. Maybe that's how you deal with your fear or hide your insecurity and self-doubt.

Have you ever wanted to be like someone else? Who was it, and what attracted you to him or her? What qualities did he or she have that you wanted for yourself?

Let's dig deep and ask ourselves these questions: Are you able to drink the cup of surrender and drown in the waters of baptism? That's Jesus' question to James and John and each one of us here today. "We are able," James and John answer. Yes, they are, and so are you and I. We are all able. But, are we willing?

What is the cup in your life today, and how much are you willing to drink? What is the baptism awaiting you today, and how deep into the waters are you willing to dive? To be like Jesus Christ, you need to follow Him like the air you breathe. Amen.

Have a blessed week

Deacon Rolly

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St Pope John Paul II (1920-2005)

Memorial, 22nd October

"Anything done for another is done for oneself."

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

- The Solemnity of the Feast of All Saints. There will be a Vigil Mass on Thursday 31st October at 7pm and on Friday 1st November Masses will be at 9.30am (with the School), 12.00pm, 6pm and 8pm Polish. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.
- The Commemoration of Holy Souls will be celebrated on Saturday November 2nd at 11am and the 5pm Vigil Mass will be a special Mass for Bereaved families.
- Blessing of Graves Fr Mike, Fr Peter and Deacon Rolly will be available on Sunday 3rd November to pray over and bless the graves of parishioners buried in local cemeteries. If you would like to have the grave of a loved one blessed, just turn up and wait at your loved one's grave for one of the priests/Deacon.

Hatton Cemetery – 1.00pm; Bedfont Cemetery – 1.30pm; Feltham Cemetery – 2.15pm

Hanworth Crematorium -1.00pm (for those whose ashes are buried there); Borough Cemetery (Powder Mill Lane) -1.45pm and Hounslow Cemetery -2.15pm.

A schedule of blessing of graves in all cemeteries in the Hounslow Borough is displayed on the noticeboard

- **November Lists** are available at the back of Church, please fill in and place in the <u>basket</u> at the foot of the altar **from 31**st **October**. The Memory Tree by the Baptistry is another way to leave a short message for a loved one.
- Special Mass for the recently bereaved On Saturday 2nd November at 5pm we shall be celebrating a special Mass to pray for the peaceful repose of parishioners, who have died over the past year and to pray for the comforting of their families. Please come along to offer the support of your prayers to those who are grieving
- Remembrance Sunday 10th November The parade will take place at 2.45pm with placing of wreaths by local dignitaries at 3pm. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre after the service. If you are able to help to set up the Parish Centre, prepare and serve refreshments (tea and biscuits) and tidy up afterwards, please let Florie know and come to the Parish Centre at 2.00pm to get everything ready before the service at Feltham War Memorial.

FR MIKE'S INDUCTION MASS

Bishop Jim Curry, Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, with pastoral care for the parishes in the west of the diocese, will celebrate Mass here in St Lawrence's on **Friday 25th October at 7pm**, during which Fr Mike will be formally inducted as the Parish Priest. There will be a reception in the school hall afterwards. Please do come along and celebrate. Please bring a plate of food to share. If you are able to help please contact Florie.

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

If you wish to get **married** (six months notice required) please send an email with your details to feltham@rcdow.org.uk.

The next **Baptism Course is on Thursday 14**th **November from 6.30pm-8pm** in Church. Please contact Florie by email if you wish to attend.

RCIA & ADULT CONFIRMATIONS

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a course offered to those in our parish who may be considering becoming a Catholic or who may have missed the sacraments as children or teenagers. The course will run between October and April and will be held in the Parish Centre on most **Tuesday evenings**, **7.00pm** – **8.30pm**. To register or to seek further information please contact the parish office on feltham@rcdow.org.uk.

READERS HALF-DAY REFLECTION

On **Saturday 16th November** there will be a half-day reflection for **ALL** readers, starting with 11am Mass followed by training of the New Lectionary which comes into effect on the First Sunday of Advent. The day of reflection will finish about 4.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch, refreshments will be provided. **Please note that it is mandatory for all Readers to attend.**

SUNDAY EVENING MASS

From **Sunday 3rd November** we will introduce a 7.00pm Mass in the evening, which we hope will help those working on shifts, etc.

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REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Edith Teresa Maple RIP, Corrine Hazel Mary Major RIPand Caroline Malham RIP.

Corrine Major RIP – The Requiem Mass will take place here on **Tuesday 22**nd **October at 1.00pm** followed by committal at Hanworth Crematorium.

Edith Teresa Maple RIP – Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 23rd October at 12noon** followed by burial at Bedfont Cemetery.

Please keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

CHURCH CAR PARK AND PARISH CENTRE

We apologise that the Church Car Park and Parish Centre still remain closed. Unfortunately, due to health and safety and emergency exit access we have to keep the place closed.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

The collection for World Mission takes place at the end of all Masses this weekend. You can also donate at www.missio.org.uk.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

If your son has musical potential, in Years 2, 3 or 4 and you would like to know more, you are invited to a Zoom session on Wednesday 16th October or 27th November at 6.30pm for 30 minutes. For the zoom link please email Lucy Freeman at lfreeman@choirschool.com

RECEPTION FORM SIGNING

Dates will be available shortly as to when Fr Mike will be able to sign forms. Check the newsletter and website.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

12-13 Oct: Loose: £1,535.98 Envelopes: £267.00 **Total:** £1,802.98

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