

25th Sunday of the Year

Entrance Antiphon: I am the Saviour of all people, says the Lord,. Whatever their troubles, I will answer their cry, and I will always be their Lord.

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12 17-20

Psalm 53

Response: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

1. O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. (R)

2. For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. (R)

3. But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. (R)

Gospel Acclamation:

:Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the light of the world says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark9: 30-37

Communion Antiphon: You have laid down your precepts to be faithfully kept. May my footsteps be firm in keeping your commands.

Your prayers are asked for the repose of the souls of Pauline Crossley and Josephine Brady, who sadly died this week, and for their families. Pauline's funeral Mass is in St. Mary's on Thursday, 26th September, at 1.00 pm, Josephine's funeral details to follow.

Confirmation Dates

Sunday 7th October Presentation of Candidates to the parish community at 10am Mass.

Wednesday 17th October 7.00pm
Confirmation Mass with Bishop Peter Brignall

SIMON CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON RIP

The family of Simon would like to offer heartfelt thanks to all those who have supported us through their prayers, cards, Masses, visits and the great outpouring of love that has come our way.

Special thanks to Father Charles and all the clergy for their presence on the day of the funeral, and for supporting us on our visits to the hospital in Stoke.

Thank you also, to Simon's work colleagues at North Wales Police for the honour they showed him. And to all those who attended and took part in the funeral service, especially Bruce Russell who was the organist on the day - you all did him proud!

The donations in memory of Simon have reached, at the moment, more than £2000 and are still coming in - very many thanks.

Thanks also to Andrew Williams of Morris' Funeral Services, for his care, compassion and professionalism during this difficult time.

We can't thank you enough and your kindness to us will never be forgotten.



Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

119 WELLINGTON ROAD, RHYL
DENBIGHSHIRE

25th Sunday of the Year
Sunday 22nd September 2018
(reading cycle B, year of Mark's gospel)

Mass time

Mass Intention

SUNDAY	10.00 am - Mass for the People
MONDAY	- No service -
TUESDAY	9.30 am Margaret Jones RIP
WEDNESDAY	9.30 am - Simon Johnson RIP
THURSDAY	10.45 am Mass at Ysgol Mair for the new school year 1.00 pm Funeral Mass for Pauline Crossley
FRIDAY	9.30 am - Kieran Quinn RIP
SATURDAY	10.30 am - Holy Hour with morning prayer of the Church. Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at this time
SUNDAY	10.00 am - Mass for the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation After Mass daily and also Saturdays 10 30am-11.15am and on call
Open Office Day Thursdays 9.00am - 4.00pm

For all enquiries or sacraments see as below

For **Baptism** tel 01745 354311

Please let Fr Charles know of anyone who is ill or housebound who would like to receive Holy Communion at home or the **Anointing of the Sick** for healing

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Parish Finances: The church collection for Sunday, 16th September amounted to £.433.42p of which £266.92p was 'loose' and £166.50p was Gift Aid.

Hospital Chaplains on call:

Glan Clwyd: Mrs. Sheila Johnson, 01745 354311 /07717182557 Llandudno Hospital: Fr Moses Amune 01492 877353 Ysby Gwynedd; Bay Hospital: Fr Frank 01492 532670

CANONISATION OF ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ROMERO, SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2018

Cardinal Basil Hume, in 1980, with great foresight, declared: *"It would be wrong of me to anticipate the mind of the Church; but I personally believe that one day Oscar Romero will be recognised as a Saint of the Church."* His words will come true on **Sunday 14th October** when Pope Francis canonises Oscar Romero, alongside Pope Paul VI and five others, at a ceremony in St Peter's Square. Local parish celebrations are encouraged, either on the eve of the canonisation or in the weeks that follow. Bishop Peter will make the S.Richard Gwyn celebration on Sunday 21st the Diocesan occasion.

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY QUOTES

When we put others first and ourselves last, all we are really doing is following in the footsteps of our God who in every age allows himself to be pushed out of this world and onto the cross.

(Oliver Todd)

Getting what you want is not nearly as important as giving what you have.

(Tom Krause)

Thanks to Doug Price and the Knights of St Columba, who organized the **Happiness Theatre Event** in the Town Hall yesterday. Rise theatre group are a Catholic foundation but ecumenical, and they spread God's Word through drama. The Knights also helped take 20 of our young people to the retreat centre at Noddfa for a one day formation session, and then , with other helpers in cars, brought them back to see the play in the Town Hall.

Several of our confirmation candidates a wonderful group of young people, are well into the Faith in Action programme, again initiated by the Knights, which will lead to the

Saint John Paul 11 award. Thanks to all who helped and to the Noddfa sisters. The sisters gave us a very good price and their usual excellent hospitality, but also Sr Mary Jo Kopechne led us, with prayers and music from us, around the beautiful grounds of Noddfa, following the cosmic Walk, the story of Creation from the beginning of evolution to 1969 when the first humans landed on the moon and several came to see the divine in the earth and universe.

Story A welsh politician asked the government for information about UFO sightings and if it might fund UFO research. Officials wrote back, "jang vIDa je due luq ... ach ghotvam'e' QI'yaH devolve qaS." Which means, "The minister will reply in due course. However, this is a non-devolved matter,"all written in Klingon.



Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer

In Luke's gospel this week, Jesus shares his wisdom with the crowds he addresses. We must share the light that has been entrusted to us, not hold it. The tables will be turned on those who greedily hold on to what they have.

This is a good week to imagine how much we are like Jesus' disciples. We clearly want to be his followers, and we do follow him. The humbling reality is that we are inconsistent. At the very time Jesus is telling us that he wants us to find ourselves by losing ourselves, we are too often being competitive and trying to be on top somehow.

Fortunately, he keeps telling us about the real meaning of discipleship. The parable of the sower is quite helpful. How healthy and rich is the soil of our own souls? Can we feel the longing we have to make our hearts more receptive to the message of Jesus?

Few of us have the wonderful opportunity to follow the special vocation of becoming contemplatives, but we can be more contemplative in our everyday lives. This can happen for us, not by "leaving the world" but by letting our Lord have a place in our busy daily world. If we keep developing the habit of being contemplatives in the midst of our days, we will indeed be blessed to find intimacy with God in our everyday lives.

This week we can be conscious of the invitation not to hide our gifts but to share them - and we can ask God to help us not to fill our lives with secrets. On another day, we might find ourselves doing what the Lord has asked us to do, but tempted out of our fear and anxiety to "take too much with us", in the sense of not actually trusting that our Lord will give us all we need for the journey.

We can notice what is going on within us - our fears, our fatigue, our joys and our sorrows - and tell our Lord what we are feeling and ask for the graces we need. We grow in freedom by not being afraid to ask our Lord about anything and the answer will come in our own inner peace and trust.

Let us pray: Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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