

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon:

God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32

Psalms 137 Response: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore you before your holy temple. (R)

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R)

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. (R)

4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal; discard not the work of your hands. (R)

Second Reading: Colossians 2; 12-24

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! The Word was made Flesh and dwelt among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!
Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

Communion Antiphon: O bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

Reflection on the Word The next meeting is **this Sunday 28th July** at 3.00pm in church. All welcome.

Creation Masses When we met with MP (and parishioner) Chris Ruane at Westminster during the CAFOD climate change lobby of MP's we resolved on a number of actions. One of these, as requested by CAFOD, was to organise a Creation Mass. Pope Francis has designated September as Creation Month in the Catholic church throughout the world, beginning with

1st September—Creation Day. This seems an appropriate timing—it may even be possible to do 5 Creation Masses using different themes for the 22nd, 23rd, 24th 25th and 26th Sundays (Sept is a five week month).

On Tuesday 6th August at 10.15am till 11.15am anybody interested in helping plan this is invited to a meeting.

JOKE The solicitor was reading Humphrey's will and had just come to the last paragraph. "I always said I'd mention my dear wife, Joan, in my will," read out the solicitor. "So,hello there ,Joan."



Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

119 Wellington Road,
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21st July 2019

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time Reading Cycle C - The Year of Luke's Gospel		
Mass Times and Intentions		
Sunday	10.00am	Mass for the People
Monday	No Service	
Tuesday	9.30 am	Francisca da Graca RIP
Wednesday	9.30 am	Egidio Rego RIP
Thursday	9.30 am	Aldo Valenca RIP
Friday	No Service	
Saturday		No Holy Hour
Sunday	10.00am	Mass for the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

After Mass daily and also Saturdays 10:30am—11:15am also on call

Open Office Day

Thursdays 9.00am - 4.00pm

Baptism

Contact Tel. No. 01745 354311

Communion for the Housebound - Anointing of the Sick

Please contact Fr Charles if you know anyone who is ill or housebound, especially those who would like to receive Holy Communion at home or anointing for healing.

For all enquiries or sacraments contact details below

Priest: Fr Charles Ramsay - Tel 01745 353395 email chas37free@gmail.com

Parish website: catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk

Web Administrators: Ernest Jones and John Johnson webmaster@catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk

Parish Finances: Church collection for Sunday, 21st July amounted to £545.57p of which £358.57p was 'loose' and £187.00p was Gift Aid.

Hospital Chaplains on call:

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

For all **bookings or enquiries** for using or hiring church centre or parish house rooms and facilities, please see Martin Hargraves, coordinator, at e-mail 4tcbookings@gmail.com or tel 07881491751.

Parish Groups and Meetings Please note that all times and places of all meetings in church or community house are detailed on the noticeboard as you enter the social area. These are kept updated by Martin our coordinator.

Dates for your Diary:

U.C.M meal at the Bod Erw, St. Asaph, on Thursday, 15th August , 6.00 pm. Anyone interested , please give your name to Angela or any member of the U.C.M. with a deposit of £5.00 All welcome.

Bereavement and Missing Persons meeting at the Rhyl Rugby Club, Tynwydd Road, on Sunday, 18th August, at 3.00 pm. Rufus Adams, Rhyl History Group will be giving a talk. Free admission, all welcome. Further information please contact Bob Jones on 337331



Situations Vacant This is a great parish for people helping in various ways. Thanks to all. But we currently need:

1 Welcomers (friendly disposition req'd) to welcome people attending Mass Sunday.

2 Readers at Mass

3 People to help with bereavement.

le befriending, and/ or helping prepare services.

4 Parish Website A big "Thanks" to John Johnson who has really developed our website and maintained it. John has to drop this due to other commitments. Can anybody help with uploading ? Training given for this and all the above.

See Fr Charles

-PRAYER WHEN AFRAID

O Christ Jesus, when all is darkness and we feel our weakness and helplessness, give us the sense of your presence, your love, and your strength. Help us to have perfect trust in your protecting love and strengthening power, so that nothing may frighten or worry us, for, living close to you, we shall see your hand, your purpose and your will through all things.

(St Ignatius of Loyola)



Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer

We read how God admires Solomon because he asked for wisdom rather than riches. Jesus is the source of God's wisdom and teaches us more about the Kingdom of Heaven. We imagine the passion of one discovering a treasure buried in a field or finding a pearl of great value, sacrificing everything to buy what is so deeply desired. Jesus invites us into deeper reflection on what we value and prepares us for our mission.

This week could be a time for each of us to grow in a sense of what we most deeply desire. If we let Sunday's gospel open our hearts we find ourselves asking God for what we need.

We can let the daily gospels renew our hope. Have we become a bit cynical and jaded? The world does seem to be like a field someone sowed weeds into. God's reign in this world doesn't seem to be growing and the seeds seem so small. We need to get in touch with what is discouraged in our hearts and to let the courage the Lord is offering renew us. He promises that even small seeds work and that even a little yeast allows dough to grow. The process is sometimes imperceptible but that is why Jesus reminds us to place our trust in him. Our own hearts might be full of weeds but the Lord doesn't want us ripping ourselves apart. He is full of mercy and healing reconciliation. Jesus does not want us to be scandalized by the evil we see in the world. God is patient and God alone will judge.

Sometimes we have an image of God as a magician - an all powerful Superman who can fix anything, if he only choses to. Part of the reason why this image is so difficult to give up is that we may not know what to replace it with. A path to prayer opens when we let God be the tender, compassionate God of the scriptures and when we let Jesus reveal God's Good News to us. In faith, God grieves with us at the tragedies of life. In faith we

are freed by the Good News that God has overcome the ultimate power of sin and death. When we believe in God's mercy and trust that our lives were created for eternal life in God, we are liberated from a fear of sin and death, which can paralyze us. Looking back and saying "thank you" every night, if even for 30 seconds, will gradually transform us and give us more courage and hope. .

Let us pray: O
God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that endure forever. 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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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY QUOTES:

If Christ did not want to dismiss the Jews without food in the desert for fear that they would collapse on the way, it was to teach us that it is dangerous to try to get to heaven without the Bread of Heaven. (St Jerome)

You can tell the size of your God by looking at the size of your worry list. The longer your list, the smaller your God. (Oliver Todd)

Fr Diarmuid O'Murchu is giving a workshop for lay people entitled 'Living the Parables today' from Thur evening of 1st Aug to lunchtime on Sun 4th Aug including Mass at Noddfa Spirituality Centre, Penmaenmawr. Anyone devoted to helping the planet survive will find this inspiring and helpful. Fr Charles can give a lift to anyone who needs this ? (cost £190.