

## 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

**Entrance Antiphon:** .God, our protector, keep us in mind; always give strength to your people. For if we can be with you even one day, it is better than a thousand without you.

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 38: 4-6. 8-10.

**Psalms 39 Response:** Lord, come to my aid.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.. (R)

2. He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. (R)

3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord.. (R)

4. As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay. (R)

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 12. 1-4

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 12: 49-53

**Communion Antiphon:** With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

**Bereavement and Missing Persons** meeting at the Rhyl Rugby Club, Tynenydd Road, **this Sunday, 18th August**, at 3.00 pm. Rufus Adams, Rhyl History Group will be giving a talk. Free admission, all welcome.

**Buildings Report** We are having to do a lot of waiting, alas. Our submission to sell the existing presbytery and build a new one on site was sent to the Diocesan Trustees last March. The diocesan architects then came to visit and reviewed our proposals on 20th April. Three months later we received the architects' report, which simply regurgitated what we had relayed to the architect on his visit. Now we await more diocesan meetings and have no idea how long this will take.

The church lighting is now urgent. However, delay has attended the lighting work too, as we have had to acquire three tenders from businesses prepared to do the work. These have not all been found satisfactory and we are currently seeking two new tenders.

The ladies and gents church toilets plumbing work has been completed satisfactorily. Thanks to the men of the Knights of St Columba who, with help from any volunteers available ?? have volunteered to install new cubicles and paint the walls.



## Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

119 Wellington Road,  
Rhyl  
Denbighshire LL181LE  
**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**18th August 2019**

20th 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	Mair Koorey RIP
Wednesday	9.30 am	Sean Buckley RIP
Thursday	9.30 am	Mora O'Loughlin RIP
Friday	9.30 am	Simon Johnson RIP
Saturday	10.30-11.30am	Holy Hour with morning prayer of the Church. Sacrament of Reconciliation
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

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Parish website: [catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk](http://catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk)

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**Parish Finances:** Church collection for Sunday, 11th August amounted to £443.00p of which £261.50p was 'loose' and £181.50p was Gift Aid. There will be a **second collection** next week for the **Diocesan Poor Parishes Fund**.

**Hospital Chaplains on call:**

Glan Clwyd: Mrs. Sheila Johnson, 01745 354311 /07717182557 Llan-dudno 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 [4tbookings@gmail.com](mailto:4tbookings@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.

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**Climate change talk—Llay.** The Newman Association invite anybody interested: Fri 27th September. Venue: St Francis of Assisi, Llay at 7.30 In the light of Pope Francis' warnings in Laudato Si and of CAFOD's ongoing campaign and petition our topic is: Professor of Physical Oceanography at the School of Ocean Sciences, Bangor University Tom is the established Chair in Physical Oceanography. He is an observational oceanographer with a strong research interest in turbulence and mixing in the marine environment. His current research focuses on the impact of the tides and wind on melting Arctic sea ice. He is a Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society and a Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy.

**Dementia Aware Rhyl** Denbighshire County Council are holding an afternoon workshop next Thursday 22nd August in the Little Theatre. There will be information about dementia and about what's happening in Rhyl. There will also be time to share ideas about how to spread awareness and how to provide supports for people and their families.

Margaret Hinton, Diocesan Family coordinator, is also working with members of Rhyl parish to spread awareness and to make our practices and events dementia-friendly. Thanks to Pauline, Roy and Christine who are producing an Action Plan to do this at parish level. (More about this is coming.) Fr Charles will attend the day in the Little theatre and it will be good if others can come to contribute.

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**CAFOD** Harvest Planning meeting at St Peter and St Frances parish hall, Prestatyn, **10th Sept** from 7pm to 9pm.

**STORY** *A little boy returned from his first church service and asked his mum what the priest had meant by the phrase "dust to dust ashes to ashes." "It means, said his mum, that we all come from dust and we shall all return to dust."*

*That night the boy's mother was startled to hear her son call down to her from his bedroom. "Come quick, Mummy, - there's someone under the bed, either coming or going."*

### *Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer*

This week we can be moved by the powerful fidelity of a woman like Ruth. And the familiar gospel stories will guide us through the week with practical advice and challenging ideas.

It is good to begin by recognizing our own issues with God. For many of us, the graces with which we will be asking God to bless us have to do with our freedom from being so independent. For some of us, it will be to ask to keep our priorities straight this week. It may mean that we let this be a week when we ask what "success" really means for us. It could be a week to try to name more clearly what our purpose, our mission in life is; what the Lord is calling us to do with our lives.

The real grace of finding intimacy with God in the midst of our busy everyday lives is that it helps keep us focused. When we get really busy, it can be like being on a tread mill. We begin our day in the morning, go where the day takes us and jump off at night. Our desire here is to live with more choice, more freedom. We want to live each day more reflectively.

So if I know the gospel is going to ask me to ponder how the lure of having more and more money can become an impediment to my salvation, or how generous and merciful God is, or how my busyness leads me to forget or lose my priorities, then I can choose to let those reflections shape my week. The way I can do that is by beginning each day with focus. What gives focus is recognizing and naming a desire, a grace or gift I ask of God, for that day, conscious of what I will be experiencing what will challenge me, what opportunities will be offered me. What really makes this effective, is to keep talking with Jesus about those desires in the small quiet moments that are tucked into each day, the "in between times" of the day.

The effect is that more and more of the details of our lives are interacting with the Word of God and the desires which God is inspiring in our hearts. As we move toward the weekend, we can prepare to hear Jesus ask who we say he is - who he is for us. Connecting with Jesus in our daily lives and interacting with the Word of God and the desires which God is inspiring in our hearts. As we move toward the weekend, we can prepare to hear Jesus ask us who we say he is - who he is for us. Connecting with Jesus in our daily lives allows him to become my Saviour and the intimate friend who knows me through and through and is helping me come to know myself with great honesty, integrity, freedom and peace.

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### **Dates for your Diary:**

#### **Service of Healing**

The Annual Service of healing will be held on Thursday, 12th September at 3.00 pm with afternoon tea to follow. All welcome. Fathers Roger Dawson and Dermot O'Connor will be present, along with Fr. Charles.

Should you require transport please contact Sheila on 354311, who will arrange.

The annual retreat for **Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist** will be held on Saturday, 21st September, at Noddfa Retreat Centre, Conway Old Road, Penmaenmawr, LL34 6YF. The cost will be £18.00 Please give your names to either Sheila or Jean with any dietary requirements.

The re-commissioning of Ministers will be held the following day - 22nd September, during the 10.00 am Mass.