

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: . Listen Lord, and answer me. Save your servant who trusts in you. I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord..

First Reading: Isaiah 18-21

Psalms 116

Response: Go out to the whole world, proclaim the good news.

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! (.R)

2. Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. (R)

Second Reading: 12: 5-7 11-13

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia! **Gospel:** Luke 13: 22-30

Communion Antiphon: Lord, the earth is filled with your gift from heaven; man grows bread from the earth and wine to cheer his heart.

21st SUNDAY QUOTES:

Everyone has their own specific vocation or mission in life; everyone must carry out a concrete assignment that requires fulfilment. In this they cannot be replaced, nor can their life be repeated. Thus, everyone's task is as unique as their specific opportunity. (*Victor Frankl*)

A society in which vocation and job are separated for most people gradually creates an economy that is often devoid of spirit, one that frequently fills our wallets at the cost of emptying our souls. (*Sam Keen*)

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 1st September

Father, Lord of all creation, we praise you with all your creatures and the whole universe that comes forth from the work of Your hands. We acknowledge the privilege and responsibility that You give us as stewards of Your creation. In our ignorance we have done damage to our common home and our brothers and sisters are suffering.

Through faithfully following your Son guide and direct us to prepare for a better future. Teach us to contemplate You in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of You. Give us the grace to recognise, respect and protect all You have created, using wisely all that you have entrusted to us.

Holy Spirit, who first hovered over the dawn of creation and drew order out of the chaos help us to build your kingdom of justice, love, peace and beauty where the poor of the earth are crying out.

You, who live and reign, world without end, Amen.



Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

119 Wellington Road,
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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th August 2019

21st 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	Private intention
Wednesday	9.30 am	Mike Cheetham RIP
Thursday	9.30 am	Maria Cerefice 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

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

Parish website: catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk

Web Administrator Ernest Jones webmaster@catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk

Parish Finances: Church collection for Sunday, 18th August amounted to £404p of which £261.50p was 'loose' and £181.50p was Gift Aid.

There is a **second collection** this week for the **Diocesan Poor Parishes Fund**.

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

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 4tcbokings@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.

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.

Dates for your Diary:

St Marys Annual SERVICE of HEALING WITH Fr Roger Dawson and Fr Dermot O'Connor (St Beuno's) and Father Charles Ramsay. 3.00 pm Thursday 12th September at St Marys Church For all but especially people unable to attend church through disability or illness. With food and refreshments.

HELP is needed to provide transport.

If you have a car, especially one suitable for people with a disability, and think you may be able to help, please contact Sheila Johnson on 01745 354311

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

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.



Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer

The Catechism defined prayer as "raising the mind and heart to God". It reminds us that prayer is not simply saying words to God, or even thinking over religious things in our heads. Real prayer becomes a matter of the heart. We understand prayer best when we think of it as a relationship. Growing in prayer is to grow in love, in intimacy, in a type of communication that is "heart to heart". So, on the human level, if we have a difficult time receiving love or in surrendering our self-absorption and giving love or if we just haven't had much experience of being intimate and vulnerable with another human being, then it will be difficult for us to do that with God. Conversely, anything we can do to develop our relationship skills, to de-selfish ourselves and practice accepting love and loving generously, will help us grow in our relationship with God. Praying can often become easier, more personal and intimate.

This week, we can go from hearing these wonderful readings to listening to Jesus with our hearts. It is great to begin this week asking for the grace to reflect throughout the day, on how we will enter "the narrow gate", by how we go about our day, interact with people, or return home from work. Then we can reflect on how we can humble ourselves and what that means for our day to day choices.

We could ask for the grace to go deeper than the externals and rules and get to the heart of our faith - loving others with the same compassion and love that Jesus shows us. It might be extremely helpful this week to take the word "awake" and to carry it all day long. "Help me stay awake, Lord; to be alert and attentive, focused and reflective today. I ask that you help me be consciously aware that you will be with me all day. Lord, let me be conscious of the many gifts and blessings you have given me. Let me reflect upon how I use each gift gratefully and for others. Let me really

see today if there are gifts that I am neglecting, squandering, or simply afraid to use. Then give me the courage to give you thanks and to be a good steward of your gifts".

As we prepare for Sunday, we can begin to reflect upon giving up the honours in our lives. We can begin each day praying, "Lord, help me humble myself today, put myself last in caring for my family, in doing my job with a more selfless sense of service. Help me forgive people who aren't performing well or behaving well. Help me to see the way you give me life in this surrender, in connection with you in service to others.

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EXAM RESULTS Many of our young people have received results of the exams they took earlier in the summer. Our thoughts are with you and we hope you have been able to show your true skills and receive the recognition you deserve. Of course, if you passed them all with flying colours we are pleased for you, but if you didn't do quite so well then we're still on your side. The important thing is to have done your best. And should it happen that things have not turned out as you'd hoped, then remember there's always a next time. Learning is a life-long thing not just something that's found in a classroom, and a very wise person once said that you sometimes have to travel past failure on your way to success. Good luck