

**Parish Finances:** Church collection for Sunday, 8th September amounted to £485.44p of which £216.44p was 'loose' and £169.00p was Gift Aid. Next weekend there will be a **second collection for Home Mission Sunday.**

**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 [4tcbookings@gmail.com](mailto:4tcbookings@gmail.com) or tel 07881491751*

**Updating** A parish renewal process, has now begun and plans to consult the parish being prepared. Decisions about a new parish house and meeting rooms are imminent. The parish team minutes are now available in the porch.

Please pray for the **Rev John Carter**, Deacon in Ruthin and Denbigh, who is very ill, and for his family.

**Parish One Day retreat** A great "well done" to the 29 parishioners who travelled to Noddfa Retreat Centre, Penmaemawr yesterday for a day of prayer and reflection, Ged Johnson who led the day, (St Beuno's Spiritual Director) and Sheila Johnson, organiser of the day.



**DATES COMING UP.....**

**WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES, 29 SEPTEMBER 2019**

The 2019 World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR) will be celebrated on Sunday 29 September and the theme this year is "It is not just about migrants". With this theme, Pope Francis wants to stimulate our prayer and action by reflecting on ways in which migrants, refugees, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and victims of human trafficking, are part a wider concern for all marginalised people.

**EXTRAORDINARY MONTH OF MISSION, 1<sup>ST</sup> TO 30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019**

October 2019 is the month designated by the Holy Father with "the aim of fostering an increased awareness of the *Missio ad gentes* and taking up again with renewed fervour the missionary transformation of the Church's life and pastoral activity, and helping communities grow in missionary and evangelising zeal".



**CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019**

Message from Colette Byrne: "The CAFOD Family Fast Day is on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

**RED WEDNESDAY, AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN), 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019**

Get your red clothes ready to attend the Mass to pray for persecuted churches across the world.

*Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer*

St. Paul invites us to seek and focus on "what is above, not of what is on earth". He invites us to embrace our "new self" which is in the "image of the creator".

We are asked to reflect on our life and actions: Where do I get caught up in earthly things and when do I find myself focusing on the wrong things? Maybe my judgement of others or my long-held resistance to forgiveness is getting in the way of what Christ might be inviting me to see. Maybe I am too focused on "how things should be" or "how things used to be"? Do I tend to focus on how others are breaking rules or how situations are "unfair" to me?

St. Paul reminds us that this habit of getting caught up with earthly things is detrimental because it brings our focus away from the big picture... the vision and hope of God for us. We are invited to rise above differences in tradition and belief, remembering that Christ is all and in all.

Jesus is inviting us to reconsider who might be the people who are most loved, or in tune with their reliance on God... not the successful, the satisfied, the happy, the popular, the protected. Those who are grieving, excluded and victimized are the ones who are close to God's care. Are they the ones that I could be spending more of my time and effort with? How might I learn from them.

The gospel is not just inviting us to question where our hearts are, where our focus should be. The words of Jesus also give us hope that there is a more wonderful place and time coming, and that the destruction, greed and tragedy of this world will not have the final say.

We pray that we may come to know more closely and intimately what God's desire is for each of us. Let us take a little extra time today in asking Jesus to help show us God's plan for us.... Through our daily

actions, experiences and all that is around us. And throughout this week we can also give thanks for the ways we are called to be Jesus' followers - not because we are talented or perfect, but because he sees in us something that He can heal and then send out to heal others.

*Let us pray: O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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**WORTHINESS** "I was reminded me of those good folk I often encountered as a pastor, who felt they were not worthy to take communion or share in the bread and wine of the Eucharist, because they were sinful and not good enough.

This is, of course, an understandable error caused by misrepresenting ourselves as unworthy rather than realizing that it is *because* we are unworthy that we can come in Jesus Name at his invitation because He is worthy through his death and resurrection for us. Our worthiness comes from Jesus, not ourselves."

Trevor Miller. The Northumbrian Community

**PRAYER** Lord Jesus, my Saviour, Your hands and feet are marked with the wounds of Your crucifixion. In Your risen body, Your wounds have not been taken away, but are part of Your glory. May they remind me that my own wounds are not roadblocks on the way to the Father, but are there to show me my own unique way to follow You, the suffering Christ. Assure me that my wounds, too, will be glorified in my own resurrected life. Amen

## 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

**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:** Amos 8: 4-7

**Psalm 112**

**Response:** Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

1. Praise, O servants of the lord; praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!. (R)

2. High above all the nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne, yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? (R)

3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dung heap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. (R)

**Second Reading:** Timothy 2: 1-8

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

**Gospel:** Luke 16: 1-13

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

**Earth Story** There was once a man who was busy building a home for himself. He wanted it to be the nicest, cosiest home in the world. Someone came to him for help because the world was on fire. But it was his home he was interested in and not the world. When he finally finished his home, he found he did not have a planet to put it on.



### A prayer for our earth

Creator God, you reveal yourself to us through the wonders of the natural world, our home. Help us to realise how important it is to preserve this natural world so that future generations can continue to lean of Your greatness through its wonders. Help us, then, to work with others to influence our leaders to make the right and courageous decisions about our world. O God, hear us, we pray. Give us your love for the whole of creation.

Creator God, we give thanks for this wonderful earth which we share with the whole community of life. We pray for the awareness that we cannot sustain current aspirations of infinite economic gain on a finite planet. Help us to live in such a way that we respect all life, accepting that we must reduce our demands in order to allow other forms of life to continue and flourish.

Give us your love for the whole of Creation.

Loving God, through your creative power humanity has emerged on earth as a dominant species. May we learn to use our power wisely for the good of the whole community of life, to sustain rather than to destroy. Help each of us take the small steps we can, while encouraging our leaders to take the big steps.

Give us your love for the whole of Creation.



## Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

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**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**22nd September 2019**

25th 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	Moira Koorey RIP
Wednesday	9.30 am	Simon Johnson RIP
Thursday	9.30 am	Margaret Jones RIP
Friday	9.30 am	Michael O'Neill 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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