

# CATHOLIC LOUTH AND MABLETHORPE

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## Week XIV of Ordinary Time

Year B, Psalter Week I  
(30<sup>th</sup> June - 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024)

### MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sun the 7<sup>th</sup> **SUNDAY XIV OF THE YEAR**

18.15 *Ann Lavarack* (+)

S. Mary's

9.00 *The Bishop*

S. Mary's

11.30 *Bill & Rita Bryant* (++)

S. Joseph's

Mon the 8<sup>th</sup> **Feria**

Tue the 9<sup>th</sup> **S. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions**

Wed the 10<sup>th</sup> **Feria**

10.00 *Fr. John Younger*(intentions)

S. Mary's

Thu the 11<sup>th</sup> **S. Benedict, Patron of Europe**

10.00 *Joan Gowling* (+)

S. Joseph's

Fri the 12<sup>th</sup> **Feria**

15.00 Divine Mercy chaplet

S. Mary's

Sat the 13<sup>th</sup> **S. Henry**

10.00 *Fr. James Lynch* (intentions)

S. Mary's

10.45 The Holy Rosary

S. Mary's

18.15 *Michael Lagga* (+)

S. Mary's

Sun the 14<sup>th</sup> **SUNDAY XV OF THE YEAR**

9.00 *The People*

S. Mary's

11.30 *Jean & Bill Whitehead* (++)

S. Joseph's

### SECOND COLLECTION

This Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July: St Mary's monthly CAFOD collection

Next Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July: Stella Maris (Sea Sunday)

### NOTICES

- PLEASE NOTE carefully the **weekday Mass schedule** in upcoming weeks as we attempt to find priests for the parish Masses. Scripture Study remains cancelled for now.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Those who are ill

**S. Mary's:** Sylvia Saxby, Fr. Kevin Athaide, John Dean, Susie Watchorn, Patricia Kerr, Peter Endean, Lea Small, Elizabeth Melling, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey.

**S. Joseph's:** Fr. James Lynch, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Owen Jenkinson, Thecla Domici.

#### Those who have died recently (++)

**S. Mary's:** Ann Lavarack, Edward Noble, Kerry Ashby, Jim Ellison, Thomas Gallagher, Rev Dom Adrian Convery OSB, Stephen Curley, Richard Crean, Roger Norburn, Ann Selby, Anthony Stanford Taylor, Fredrick Weir, Michael Leary, Roger Dygas.

**S. Joseph's:** Joyce Kerswell, Pamela Ogden, Larry Walsh, John Gallagher, Margaret Mountain, Madeleine Ovens, William Smith, Irene Bray, Joan Gowling, Patrick Geoghegan.

#### Those with anniversaries this week (++)

Sean Cannon, Jacob Marshall, Thomas Halligan, Jeremy Barkwith, Rose Kate Kelly, Fr. Henry Hall, Edith Simonette, Beatrice Marriott, Dorothy Ranshaw Barnes, Mary Helen Cameron, John Yates, Thomas Turner, Julia Wigley, Helena Carney.

### Upcoming pilgrimages (see noticeboard for more):

- Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage: 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> July
- Join in the diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage from home with the **Lourdes From Home initiative**. Register at <dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/lourdes>.
- The Abbot and Community of Pluscarden Abbey are delighted to offer young single Catholic men a **Monastic Experience Weekend**, during which they can live, work and pray with the Benedictine Community of Pluscarden Abbey. This will take place from **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August**. Further information is available from Father Benedict Hardy at <novicemaster@pluscardenabbey.org>
- The annual **Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life** is being held in **Walsingham** on Saturday **3<sup>rd</sup> August**, led by Bishop David Oakley of Northampton Diocese. This day is to storm heaven in the peace and beauty of this Shrine, remembering Our Lady's words, "All who come here will find help in their need". More details are available at: <www.walsingham.org.uk/event/pro-life-pilgrimage-4/>.

### S. Mary's, Louth

- SAVE THE DATE!** A message from Chris and Kathy Brightmore: "We are moving to our new home in Cleethorpes on 19<sup>th</sup> July. Our last Sunday at St. Mary's will be on **14 July** and we are providing sandwiches and nibbles at coffee **after 9 am mass**. All are cordially invited."
- SAVE THE DATE!** Our annual devotions to **Our Lady of Penafrancia** will take place on **July 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM**. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall afterwards. For more info, see Myra.
- STAY TUNED** for the upcoming parish Summer Fair that will take place on a weekend in August. For more info, see Meg.
- Teas & coffees:** after Mass on Wednesdays and Sundays.

### S. Joseph's, Mablethorpe

- S. Joseph's repository:** Please come and browse our collection of greeting cards and religious items after the Sunday Mass.
- Teas and coffees:** Thursdays after the 10.00 Mass.

# SUNDAY XIV OF ORDINARY TIME

The Church needs a figure of unity | The Church needs missionary energy | Christ gave us Peter and Paul

## Rejected at Nazareth

“And consider thou the power of His words, herein at least, that possessed as they were by envy, they did yet admire. And as with regard to His works, they do not find fault with what is done, but feign causes which have no existence, slaying, 'In Beelzebub He casteth out the devils;' even so here too, they find no fault with the teaching, but take refuge in the meanness of His race.” - *S. John Chrysostom*

## They don't want it

“The word of God also inevitably reveals the tragic possibility that human freedom can withdraw from this covenant dialogue with God for which we were created. The divine word also discloses the sin that lurks in the human heart. Quite frequently in both the Old and in the New Testament, we find sin described as a refusal to hear the word...” *Apostolic exhortation Verbum Domini, of the Holy Father Benedict XVI*

## The prophetic mandate

“In fulfilling the mandate received from Christ, the Christian community will have to face many difficulties down the centuries. However, it knows it can count on the strength of the Holy Spirit and on the mysterious but real presence of the risen Christ.” - *Holy Father S. John Paul II, his homilies*



## Whether they listen or not...

The reason why Scripture is perennial and always applicable to our lives is that human nature doesn't change and human society keeps oscillating between success and failure. And this is marvellously demonstrated in the life of the Hebrew nation in the Old Testament, and of its extension in the Christian Church in the last two millennia. And God sends prophets to treat human nature. Ezechiel was a contemporary of Jeremiah, but while Jeremiah was trying hard to bring the king of Juda and inhabitants of Jerusalem to repentance and trust in God's providence, Ezechiel had to deal with the same obstinacy and intransigence in exile in Mesopotamia. The prophet has to raise his voice and call the people back to faith and trust in God but, as our first reading says, the majority of the people will not listen and will continue on down the path to utter destruction. In our own context, a prophet is not necessarily a cleric, nor is the role of a prophet a designated place of honour within the community. The mission of the prophet requires a particular nearness to God, which includes a life of intense and dedicated prayer and devotion. And it requires a very strong dose of humility - the prophet works to glorify God and not himself or herself. This requires a degree even of humiliation, especially within the community the prophet emerged from, as the gospel story tells us. In Nazareth, the locals couldn't accept prophecy from the Carpenter's son. From the perspective of the prophet however, getting the message out is the priority, and not any glory the prophet may receive from the effort that is made. In the second reading, S. Paul says that he was tempted to pride because of the extraordinary generosity the Holy One had shown him, until he received the mysterious thorn in his flesh to humiliate him. There is great speculation about what this thorn was, but it was certainly something that would have reduced Paul in the eyes of his superficial hearers, who expect great Saints never to suffer. But we know that the greatest of our Saints and prophets have suffered greatly, and in their suffering shone the glory of the God they loved.

“I claimed thee for My own before ever I fashioned thee in thy mother's womb; before ever thou camest to the birth, I set thee apart for Myself; I have a prophet's errand for thee among the nations.” - *Jeremiah, 1:5*