

CATHOLIC LOUTH AND MABLETHORPE

S. Mary's Church

69 Uppate, Louth LN11 9HD

Contact us:

Parish Office: 01507 603277

Fr. Kevin Athaide: 078 330 14058

Deacon Roger Crowe: 01507 838613

Email: catholicclouthandmablethorpe

@dioceseofnottingham.uk



S. Joseph's Church

Seaholme Rd, Mablethorpe LN12 2AN

Website: catholicclouthandmablethorpe.uk

Follow us: @catholicclouthandmablethorpe on Facebook, Instagram and Threads and on Twitter @frkevinnotts

Week XVII of Ordinary Time

Year B, Psalter Week I
(28th July - 3rd August 2024)

MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sun the 28th **SUNDAY XVII OF THE YEAR**

9.00 *Christopher John Adlard* (+)

S. Mary's

11.30 *Pamela Ogden* (+)

S. Joseph's

Mon the 29th **Ss. Martha, Mary & Lazarus**

Tue the 30th **S. Peter Chrysologus**

Wed the 31st **S. Ignatius of Loyola**

10.00 *Elizabeth Melling* (+)

S. Mary's

Thu the 1st **S. Alphonsus Liguori**

10.00 *For the Redemptorists & their work*

S. Joseph's

12.00 *Christopher John Adlard* (in requiem)

S. Mary's

Fri the 2nd **S. Eusebius of Vercelli**

10.00 *Priest's intentions*

S. Mary's

15.00 *Divine Mercy chaplet*

S. Mary's

Sat the 3rd **Our Lady's Saturday**

10.00 *In honour of the BVM*

S. Mary's

followed by *Rosary & Confessions*

S. Mary's

18.15 *The People*

S. Mary's

Sun the 4th **SUNDAY XVIII OF THE YEAR**

9.00 *The People*

S. Mary's

11.30 *The People*

S. Joseph's

NOTICES

- The **World Day of Prayer for Grandparents** is this Sunday. **God bless all our Grandads and Grandmums.**
- PLEASE NOTE** carefully the **Mass schedule** in the upcoming weeks for any changes.
- The **annual March for Life** will take place on **Saturday, 7th September in Westminster.** More info: <www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page>. There will be a coach going from Nottingham; to book, contact <Marielangford@live.co.uk (07948 151 264)>

- The **Portiuncula Indulgence** is a special favour granted by the Holy Father Honorius III to **S. Francis**, after a vision the Saint received in 1216 at the Portiuncula church in Assisi. To obtain this indulgence for yourself or for a soul in purgatory, ensure that you are free from all sin by making a confession and receiving Holy Communion at any basilica, cathedral, or parish church as soon as possible before or after the 2nd of August. Make sure also while at that church on the 2nd to say one Our Father, the Apostle's Creed and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- There are two **new job openings** at the Diocesan Youth Service; apply by 16th August: <ndcys.com/job-vacancies/>
- Upcoming pilgrimages** (see noticeboard for more):
 - Walsingham Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life: 3rd August
 - Dowry Pilgrimage to Walsingham 1st Sept w/ Abp Malcolm

S. Mary's, Louth

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Elizabeth Melling** who passed away earlier this week and for peace and consolation for family and friends who grieve her loss.
- The **funeral Mass of Christopher JOHN Adlard** (1/7/1937), will take place on **Thursday, 1st August at 12 PM** followed by the burial at Louth Cemetry. Please pray for the peaceful repose of his soul and for his family and friends who grieve his loss.
- JOIN US!** Annual devotions to **Our Lady of Peñafrancia, today, July 28th 2 PM.** Refreshments in the parish hall afterwards.
- SAVE THE DATE! Sunday lunch, 11th August** 12 PM, Millers Daughter, £13 on booking please to Siobhan, 07719995161.
- SAVE THE DATE!** The parish **Summer Fair** will take place on **Sat 3rd August 2 - 6 PM & Sun 4th August** after Holy Mass. This will include a book stall, raffle, cake stall, and various other stalls. Free admission. Refreshments provided. All proceeds will go toward S. Mary's Building Maintenance fund. Donations for the raffle and stalls gratefully accepted. 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.

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, 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: Elizabeth Melling, Christopher John Adlard, 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 (++)

Thomas Cummings, Felix Scott, Leslie Johnson, Misericordia Ellett, John Gerety, Mariana Tucker, Thomas Corrigan, William Hamper, Violet Jean Scott, Anthony Cronin, Michael Bolan,

SUNDAY XVII OF ORDINARY TIME

God calls us into the desert | He asks us to make sacrifices | He wants to be chosen over everything else

Man lives not on bread alone

“After the rebuke, however, He proceeds to teach them: 'Labour not for the meat which perishes, but for that meat which endures to everlasting life;' meaning, you seek for temporal food, whereas I only fed your bodies, that you might seek the more diligently for that food, which is not temporary, but contains eternal life.” - *S. John Chrysostom*

Eyes upon Christ

“When, through the hand of the priest, you receive the Body of Christ, think not of the priest which you see, but of the Priest you do not see. The priest is the dispenser of this food, not the author. The Son of man gives Himself to us, that we may abide in Him, and He in us.” - *S. Alcuin*

Seek after the desert

“In the Gospels we read that even while doing all He could for so many men and women, Jesus Himself would withdraw for long periods in solitude and prayer. We must imitate Him and encounter Him in the moments of solitude and silence dedicated to prayer. These providential spiritual pauses will help you all to be authentic missionaries of the Gospel...” - *Holy Father John Paul II, his homilies*



The desert experience

This weekend, we shall once more return to the garden of Eden, when we lived in perfect harmony with the mind of God, in perfect dependence upon the divine providence. This was ruptured by the sin of our first parents, by which we basically told God that we could live independently of Him, that we could do it on our own, that we could be gods like Him. When the Christian Church began to lift her head in the midst of the Roman Empire, one of the first of the criminal charges levelled against her was impiety towards the human understanding of religion. The Church had dared to say that she relied not upon human beings like Caesar (the secular power) and human societies (human provision), but upon the God Who loves her. The Church thus rejects the temptation of the serpent in the garden, placing her trust entirely upon the Sacred Heart, reliant entirely upon Him. Already in the times of the Old Testament, we can see great Saints like Elisha drawing people towards dependence on Divine Providence, by (as in our first reading this weekend) multiplying bread. All these miracles of feeding multitudes of people in the desert are meant to call to the general mind of the people their sole dependence on God, to draw them away from the sufficiency of the cities and towns and into the scarcity of the desert, and the relative insecurity of dependence upon God. The Church has her own means of leading her children into the desert, and has in the past commanded very severe seasonal fasts, such as the present Lenten sacrifices, but several more. It is the constant advice of the Saints we honour that it is by giving up the comforts of this world and our dependence upon them that we find divine sustenance, that we find the Union with God that is the goal of our Christian existence. It could be said that we are as a community now back in Egypt, enslaved with the passions of the world of our time; we must move forward into the desert again, as a community together, guided by the Successor of S. Peter. The second reading speaks of this unity of Christians, a unity that is characterised by mutual charity, generosity of heart, with one and the same hope, united in love to the Holy One.

“O Thou, our reminder of Christ Crucified, living Bread, the life of us for whom He died, lend this life to me, then; feed and feast my mind...”

