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Week XX of Ordinary Time

Year B, Psalter Week IV
(18th - 24th August 2024)

MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sun the 18th **SUNDAY XX OF THE YEAR**

18.15	Fr. Adrian Convery & Peter & Barbara Oke (++)	S. Mary's
9.00	People of England	S. Mary's
11.30	Fr. Lynch (intentions)	S. Joseph's

Mon the 19th **S. John Eudes**

Tue the 20th **S. Bernard**

Wed the 21 st	S. Pius X	
10.00	Sy Family (intentions)	S. Mary's

Thu the 22 nd	The Queenship of Mary	
10.00	Owen J. (intentions)	S. Joseph's

Fri the 23 rd	S. Rose of Lima	
15.00	Divine Mercy chaplet	S. Mary's

Sat the 24 th	S. Bartholomew	
10.00	M. B. J. (intentions)	S. Mary's
followed by	Rosary & Confessions	S. Mary's
18.15	Sy Family (intentions)	S. Mary's

Sun the 25 th	SUNDAY XXI OF THE YEAR	
9.00	M. V. (special intention)	S. Mary's
11.30	Sick and suffering	S. Joseph's

NOTICES

- The **March for Life** will take place on Sat, 7th Sept in Westminster. To book a coach from Nottingham: <Marielangford@live.co.uk (07948 151 264)>
- Upcoming pilgrimages** (see noticeboard for more):
 - Dowry Pilgrimage to Walsingham 1st Sept w/ Abp Malcolm McMahon
 - Our Lady of Fatima pilgrim statue comes to Louth S. Marys 7th Sept (see below for more details)

- A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, for the Twentieth Sunday of the Year:

"In the final hours of his life, Jesus' constant dialogue with the Father becomes all the more intense, as he approaches his saving death and resurrection. In those moments, the crucified Lord takes upon himself the burden of all the sins of the world. For our sake, he experiences the distance separating sinners from God, and becomes the supreme and eternal intercessor. In our prayer may we always be mindful that the Lord never ceases to pray for us, uniting us to his own eternal dialogue of love with the Father in the communion of the Holy Spirit."

To read the full reflection and find more resources go to <dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer>.

S. Mary's, Louth

- Please pray for the peaceful repose of Mr. Edwin Wrigley** who passed away earlier this month. The funeral service will take place at Alford Crematorium at 12 NOON on Friday, 30th August. There will be a parish Mass at 10 AM on the day to pray for the peaceful repose of his soul.
- SAVE THE DATE!** The **pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima** and the **relics of Ss. Jacinta and Francisco**, the little children of Fatima will be visiting S. Mary's on **Saturday 7th September**. A day of devotions has been planned, beginning with a procession and crowning of Our Lady at 11 AM followed by Holy Mass and ending with a Holy Hour of Adoration and Confessions at 3.30 – 4.30 PM. Lunch will be provided. For more details of the day's events, please see the poster in the narthex or contact Myra at <07743980771>.
- The next **CAFOD collection** is on 31st Aug/ 1st Sept.
- Teas & coffees:** after Mass on Wednesdays and Sundays.

S. Joseph's, Mablethorpe

- S. Joseph's repository:** Open every Sunday.
- Teas & coffees:** Thursdays after the 10.00 Mass.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are ill

S. Mary's: Pat Tiger, 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: Edwin Wrigley, 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.
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 (++)

Gladys Lamming, Caroline Hemsby, Thomas Mullins, John Murphy, Thomas Allaway, Marhy Swindle, John Rice, Richard Carden, Michael Stinson, Mary Griffin, Thomas Halligan, Alexander Urquhart, Elizabeth Pauline Fahy, Hilda Blythe, William Tate, Mary Ellen Cranton.

SUNDAY XX OF ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom builds her residence | Seven pillars support the building | Within she serves out eternal life

Wisdom incarnate

“Glory to that Voice Which became Body, and to the Word of the High One Which became Flesh! Hear Him also, O ears, and see Him, O eyes, and feel Him, O hands, and eat Him, O mouth! Ye members and senses give praise unto Him, that came and quickened the whole body! Mary bare the silent Babe, while in Him were hidden all tongues! Joseph bare Him, and in Him was hidden a nature more ancient than aught that is old! The High One became as a little child, and in Him was hidden a treasure of wisdom sufficing for all!” - S. Ephraim the Syrian

Instruction before the feast

“Great indeed is the Son's dignity; the Father draws men, and the Son raises them up. This is no division of works, but an equality of power. He then shows the way in which the Father draws. It is written in the Prophets, And they shall all be taught of God. You see the excellence of faith; that it cannot be learnt from men, or by the teaching of man, but only from God Himself. The Master sits, dispensing His truth to all, pouring out His doctrine to all.” - S. John Chrysostom



Wisdom builds her house

The Church has taught us that we are temples of the Holy Spirit. Now, the first reading this weekend begins thus: ‘Wisdom has prepared herself a house, erected her seven pillars, laid her table for the feast, and invited visitors, saying, Come to the feast, leave folly and sin, acquire true understanding.’ Holy Church has also told us that there are seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. Here they are, from the Catechism: first, Wisdom!, second, Understanding!, third (and this follows from the first two), Counsel, for we can give and receive counsel according to the wisdom and understanding we have acquired. Fourth, fortitude. If we have acquired wisdom at some cost, something that precious we shall have the fortitude to secure and defend. Fifth, knowledge, acquired at the feet of divine Wisdom. Sixth, piety, by which we are seated continually at the feet of the Holy One. And the seventh gift of the Holy Spirit is the Fear of the Lord - the pious fear of a child for their parent, a fear of falling away from the parent and losing their protection, a fear full of trust, a fear that is rewarded with a glimpse of the Sacred Heart, Who declares that He has loved us from all eternity. Let us carefully support the walls of the temples that we are with these seven strong pillars, and the Holy One living within our hearts will find in us His especial delight. Clean out the Temple frequently; S. Paul suggests in the second reading... in the midst of temptations of every sort, we should discern carefully what the will of God is. He wants us to be a liturgical people, so that the hymns we sing together in church continue to resound in our hearts for the rest of the week. But let’s return to Divine Wisdom and the feast she lays out in her several temples. Here’s the Holy One in the gospel reading saying, You must EAT Me. And those good Jews about Him sneer at Him and say, How is He going to give us Himself to eat? And He stands there and says, The eternal life of My Father flows through Me, and you will eat Me if you wish to have it. For I AM the Way and the Life, and nobody comes to the Father except through Me.

“Come, O Creator Spirit, come, and make within our heart Thy home; to us Thy grace celestial give, who of Thy breathing move and live.”