

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME IS NOW THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD: Read Pope Francis' practical tips and reflections for the Sunday of the Word of God, to be celebrated on Sunday 26th January.

Have you ever wished that God would speak to you, like He spoke to the Saints? Believe it or not, He's right there with the words you need already. In fact, all the words are in one place for your convenience: your Bible.

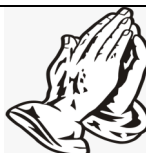
Maybe you think the Bible is dull. But the Bible isn't a dusty old history book that has no bearing on our lives today. This is God's Word and He uses it to speak to us.

Parishes across the world are encouraged to make God's Word their focus next week as we celebrate the first Sunday of the Word of God, and to aid this Pope Francis offers advice and encouragement in his Apostolic Letter **The Sunday of the Word of God (Aperuit Illis)**. To get yourself and/or your parish ready to celebrate next Sunday, **get a copy of this document** (it's brief and easy to read) and give it a read!



TO MARK THE OCCASION Fr Owen invites all who can, to join him for an hour of "Lectio Divina - a study of the scriptures, taking St Matthew's Gospel, reading passages and then reflecting on what we have read, and sharing our understanding, our individual interpretation and reflection, of what that particular sentence, phrase OR word might mean for us and is saying to us. JOIN FR OWEN WITH "LECTIO DIVINA" next Sunday, January, 26th IN THE KAVANAGH ROOM from 3pm - 4pm.

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER this year for "**CONSECRATED LIFE**" is on Sunday, February 2nd. Pre prepared Bidding Prayers have been sent to us so the designated person to write our Bidding Prayers for Sunday 2nd is now not required to do so.



19th January 2020:

Readers: 6.30pm: A Burgess 10.00am: H Powell G Powell
Eucharistic Ministers: 6.30pm: B O'Malley A Hall S Jones W Kwacz J Lowe
 10.00am: J Snaith S McGlone C McInnes J O'Leary T Page (Weekday A)
Counters: C Parry C Kerr B Kerr
Welcomers: 6.30pm: A Simpson B Duffy E Duffy
 10.00am: J Davies M Zabaljauregui V Winter
Bidding Prayers: M Darcy

26th January 2020:

Readers: 6.30pm: C Baldham 10.00am: M Crook M McEvoy
Eucharistic Ministers: 6.30pm: N Tiney b O'Malley M O'Malley P Pelos B Phillips
 10.00am: B Stewart d Quinn T Ruane J Shellard J Snaith (Weekday B)
Counters: G Powell H Powell G Hill
Welcomers: 6.30pm: P Hamer M Hiron B Phillips
 10.00am: B Shepherd C Shepherd C Reed
Bidding Prayers: P Lamb m



Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

19th January 2020
 Week 2 of Ordinary Time
 Psalter Week 2

Parish Priest: Fr. Owen O'Neill
 Tel: House: 01858 - 462359
 Email: owen@olvic.com
 Mobile: 07949136147
 Catholic Club: 01858 463 601
 Parish Website: www.olvic.com
 Safeguarding Representatives: Christine Reed and Theresa Kendrick 07748591398 / 01858465637

Schools:
 Parish Primary: St. Joseph's Academy 01858-465359.
 Deanery Comprehensive: St. Paul's 0116 241 4057
 Parish Accountant: Angela Wade: 0777 322 9041
 Parish Gift Aid Organiser: Stephen McGlone 01858-465939
 Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

Diocese of Nottingham: Company Number 7151646 Charity Number: 1134449
 Registered Address: Wilson House, 25 Derby Road, Nottingham, NG1 5AW

Times of Services

Sunday: 2nd of Ordinary Time

Sat.6.30pm Mass - A Belated Christmas Gift to Lena Ditchett
 8.30am Mass at Husbands Bosworth - The Parishioners
 10.00am Mass - Fernando Ditri; Cosmo Ditri; Maria Ditri R.I.P.

Monday: Feria

9.45am Morning Prayer
 10.00am Mass - Michael Clarke R.I.P. (20th Anniv.)

Tuesday: St Agnes

9.00am Mass - James Aitkin R.I.P.; Dorothy & Sam Springer R.I.P.
 Rosary after Mass

Wednesday: Feria

9.45am Morning Prayer
 10.00am Mass - Ann Kerr R.I.P.

Thursday: Feria

9.30am Blessed Sacrament Exposed, with Rosary for Life
 9.40am Rosary
 10.00am Mass - A Birthday Gift (anonymous request)

Friday: St Francis de Sales

11.30am Wedding Celebration for Gregory Cox & Yvonne Wan

N.B. 2.00pm Funeral Mass at Husbands Bosworth for Dr Anthony Finnigan

NO EVENING MASS ON FRIDAY EVENING

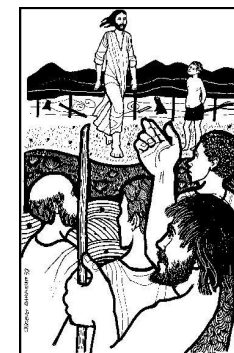
Saturday: The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

NO MORNING MASS (Mass in the Prison)
 2.00pm wedding Celebration for Christopher Graham Wyley & Anna Concannon

6.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday 26th - Bernard Ditchett R.I.P.

Sunday: 3rd of Ordinary Time

8.30am Mass at Husbands Bosworth - The Parishioners
 10.00am Mass - Adela & Bronek R.I.P.



*Look, there is the
 Lamb of God that
 takes away the
 sins of the world.*

Confessions Saturday

11.00 - 11.30 am
 5.30 - 6.00 pm.
 & on request

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday
 10.30 - 1.00 a.m.

WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS AND VERY BEST WISHES to Anna Victoria Concannon and Christopher Graham Wyley being married here this coming Saturday, and to Gregory Cox and Yvonne Wan being married here this coming Friday.

ECO CHURCH!

Do you know what that means? Are we an ECO CHURCH? If not, what can we do to lead us towards that achievement. It is our hope that during 2020 our church might become more ecologically friendly and to this end we are asking all parishioners how we might achieve this.

A box has been placed in the cloister and during the month of January we are asking for ideas that we can discuss at our Parish Pastoral Council meetings to help us achieve this aim. A small group has been established to meet with other churches in the town in the hope that we can learn from them and move forward.

More details will be included in our newsletters in the coming weeks and we look forward to receiving as many suggestions as possible.



ECO CHURCH
AN AROCHA PROJECT



YOUR HELP IS REQUIRED: For unforeseen reason a number of our Church Cleaners have had to stand down from our Cleaning Rota. We need approximately 6 willing volunteers to take their place on the Church Cleaning Rota. We are all so very pleased, and proud of the cleanliness of our Church. It is imperative that this standard is maintained. **So Come on now. Offer to go on the Cleaning Rota - the more, the better; the more, the less frequent your name will appear on the rota. So willing volunteers, please see Celia Wilson or Fr Owen. Thank you.**



MARKET HARBOROUGH STREET PASTORS

invite you to our:
COFFEE MORNING at the Market Harborough Theatre on Saturday, 08 February 2020 from 0900am.
Bric-a-Brac and Book



BURNS NIGHT SUPPER

Saturday, 25th January
at The Catholic Octagonal Hall.
Supper, Music, Dancing/Caller.
DOORS OPEN at 6.30pm.
£16 per person includes Supper. Tickets available from Bower House, 32 Coventry Road OR SAE envelope.



Nottingham Diocese Spirituality Network



YEAR OF THE WORD

Days of Prayer: 2020

Encounter Jesus and be Missionary Disciples through St Matthew's Gospel

day begins at 10 am (refreshments from 9.30) and ends with Liturgy at 3 pm

18th January St Peter's Hindley Leicestershire LE10 1LW
29th February St Mary's Boston Lincolnshire PE21 9BU
16th May St Hugh's Lincoln LN2 5AQ and St Joseph's Matlock DE4 3NG
10th October Our Lady and St Thomas Ilkeston DE7 5RF



For further details contact:

Ann Neale ann@norkco.co.uk Mob. 07730956156

Mary Robinson chris.and.mary@talktalk.net Mob. 07443841223

Tea and Coffee provided, bring a packed lunch

A SPECIAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR GREATER UNITY: This week, beginning today, Sunday, 19th - 26th is a week of special prayer for greater unity between all Christians. Every day should be a day of prayer for greater unity. This coming week of prayer is designated for a more deeper, profound prayer by, between and with all Christian Communities. **In Harborough, today, Sunday, there is a special service of Unity at the Congregational Church at 10.30am, I encourage all who have attended our Saturday evening 6.30p.m. Mass to make a special effort to go to the United Service, and those attending the 10 a.m. Mass to leave after Communion, and make your way to the top of the High Street.** Better to show our willingness and appreciation, even if arriving late, than not going at all. From Monday to Friday of this coming week, each of the Christian Churches in town, will hold a special half hour of prayer on a specific theme and need. These prayer sessions from 12 noon - 12.30pm each day will be truly ecumenical, and all who so wish will be warmly welcomed by the Host Church. Take your pick from the list of days, designated Church and theme of prayer for each day as printed below: I hope many of our folk will attend many of the other days of Prayer, but especially our own on Friday. Hope you can and will make it.

Day	Time	Event	Focus for Prayer	Venue
Sunday 19th	10.30am	United Service		Congregational Church
Monday 20th	12 noon	Prayer Time	Bower House/ Mental Health	Methodist Church
Tuesday 21st	12 noon	Prayer Time	Community Organisations	St Peter & St Paul, Great Bowden CE
Wednesday 22nd	12 noon	Prayer Time	Prison Fellowship	Community Church
Thursday 23rd	12 noon	Prayer Time	Unusual kindness through hospitality - Community Sponsorship (refugees).	Baptist Church
Friday 24th	12 noon	Prayer Time	Preserving our Planet for future generations	Our Lady of Victories RC
Saturday 25th	12 noon	Prayer Time	Our shared identity in baptism	S Dionysius CE

VICTORY PRIZE DRAW: It's that time of year again for those members who pay their annual subscriptions by cash to renew them. Please pay Keith Shiers or any other member of the Knights or put in an envelope clearly marked Victory Prize Draw and your name and give to Fr Owen. If you wish to join the draw forms are available in the cloister by the Knights notice board. Prizes each month are £70, £30 and £20. All profits go to help train future clergy and local charities.