

CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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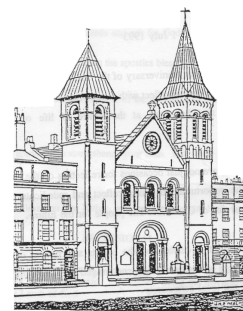
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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13 OCTOBER 2013

GOD AT WORK

Normality is great if you want to wake up every morning knowing exactly what to expect. Ordinariness is wonderful if you want to live every day exactly the same as the last. But if you want to live an extraordinary life, the lesson today is to look and see where God has been at work.

Jesus meets ten lepers on his way to Jerusalem and offers them a cure. The nine Jewish lepers go to see the priest who will conduct certain rituals before giving them a clean bill of health. Presumably the ex-lepers will then rush back to their old way of life eager to get back to normality. For the tenth leper, going to see the priest is not an option. In any case, he has no plans to rush back to normality. It is the Samaritan that recognises that God has touched his life and he will never be the same again. He has not only been healed but transformed. How could he go back to an ordinary life having witnessed the 'extraordinary'; and so he races back to Jesus to thank him. This is not a lesson in social etiquette. The Samaritan isn't just saying "Thank you", he has been transformed by gratitude. Gratitude is central to our relationship with Jesus, no matter who we are or what our creed. The Samaritan went back to Jesus because his gratitude was compelling him to live in God's love.

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PARISH NEWS

WORLD MISSION DAY SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER: A second collection will be taken up at all Masses.

170TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: Many thanks to those who so generously donated four new chalices to mark the anniversary of the parish. These have now been engraved and are being used at Mass on Sundays. If any of the donors would like to have a closer look please just ask one of the priests.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: There will be a meeting for parents on **Tuesday 22nd October at 7pm** in the Church.

VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE SANDWICHES: If you can spare some time to make a loaf of sandwiches for the homeless, needed for every Tuesday before 12noon. Thank you.

BAPTISMS: We welcome our new parishioners who will be baptised: Mia Kapci, Patrick Dylan Quinn, Lewis Patrick Phillips and Benny-Ray Cooney.

APF BOXES: Please collect your boxes from the Sacristy. If your box has no label on with your name please do so. Thank you.

SUNDAY CLUB: Needs one more volunteer who can commit to one Sunday in seven, as part of a regular team, to prepare and serve sandwiches etc from 3 – 5pm to homeless and needy people. We would also welcome people who are willing to be 'reserves' and called upon without obligation at short notice. Contact Molly McConville on 020 7226 8337 or mawislington@gmail.com

DURING HALF-TERM AND HOLIDAYS: **We need readers for the Children's 10.30am Sunday Mass please. It would be great to see more young people reading at this Mass – Dates on Noticeboard, in School and in the Vestibule.**

RCIA: We started a new RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) course for those who wish to become Catholics, on Monday 7th October 2013. There is still time to join, the course is every Monday from 7th October to June 2014:

In an event of a fire or a fire drill taking place, please remain calm, and follow the safest exit routes that will be co-ordinated by the Church Fire Wardens, who will lead you to the designated assembly point.

classes start at 7.30pm and last about 90 minutes. If you are interested or already are a Catholic, but have never been Confirmed, you will be very welcome to join us. Please contact the RCIA Co-Ordinator David Lester on 020 7250 0513 or davidlester51@btinternet.com.

DIARY

LEGION OF MARY: We meet every Wednesday at 7pm. Please, come to 39 Duncan Terrace.

THE PASSAGE: A Catholic Charity helping homeless people is holding its Annual Meeting of Friends and Supporters on Thursday 17th October in Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, London SW1P 1QJ at 6.45pm for 7pm followed by refreshments.

A DAY WITH MARY: Saturday 19th October at St Dominic, Haverstock Hill, London NW5.

NOTICES

SUNDAY COLLECTION 06 OCTOBER: Envelopes £676.76 / Loose £881.12 / CAFOD £793.88

MARRIAGE: The Diocese asks that couples who are hoping to marry should give **six months** notice to their Parish Priest. Please do not make any arrangements for your

wedding date and reception before meeting with your Parish Priest.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

REST IN PEACE: Please pray for those who have died, especially Fr Austin Hart, John 'Tommy' Irvine, Calvo Family and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

HEALING: Please pray for parishioners and their relatives / friends who are ill, especially: Paddy Buckley, Mick Hossack, Amylia Boylen, June Edwards, Joanne Matthias, Adriano Grazioli, Chanelle Aldea Alba, Stephen Martinez, Bro. J. Lavelle(Marist Brother), Mufide Family, Harry Perkins, Antonio Neto, Mary Halligan, John Day, Jacky Kelly, Jacquelin Abel, Suzanne Greaves, Bridget Harrington, Mr & Mrs John Drum, Joseph Kasonde, Michael Bryant, Ann Gray, Tonya, Pam Chalkley, Gwen Fitzgerald, Kieran Fogarty, Noel McKeown, Ann Barrett, David Ryan, Mick Feeney, John Barley, Annette Donivar, Avit Noranh, Rosalind Jules, Irene Findlay, Christopher Browne, Beau Hueppauff, Jerry Waldron and Gerry King.

THE WEEK AHEAD			
DATE	TIMES	INTENTIONS	READINGS
Sat 012 Oct	6pm	Paddy Enright RIP (Anniv)	Luke 17:11-19
Sun 13 Oct 28 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9am	Intentions of Jerry Waldron	
	10.30am	Intentions of 10:30am Choir	
	12noon	Karen McAuliffe RIP	
	6pm	Mass for Parishioners	
Mon 14 Oct Feria	10am	Funeral Mass for John Irvine RIP	Luke 11:29-32
Tue 15 Oct St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor	10am	Mass in Thanksgiving for Friends	Luke 11:37-41
Wed 16 Oct Feria	10am	Intentions of Baby Laurence JG Caselvungho Mowbray	Luke 11:42-46
Thu 17 St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr	10am	Matthew & Julia Tynan & Family RIP	Luke 11:47-54
Fri 18 Oct ST LUKE, Evangelist <i>Friday abstinence</i>	10am	Nick Witchalls RIP	Luke 10:1-9
Sat 19 Oct Feria	10am	Maria McNamara RIP	Luke 12 :9-12
	10.30-11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	
	10.30-11.30am / 5.15-5.45pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	6pm	Ellen, Sid & Peter Winford RIP	Luke 18:1-8
Sun 20 Oct 29 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9am	Brendan Garraty RIP	
	10.30am	Mass for Parishioners	
	12noon	Sally Mitchell RIP (Anniv)	
	6pm	Nicholas Witchalls RIP	