# St John the Evangelist

# 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

18 September 2022 (Year C)

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Mass Times this Week:		Steward	Reader
Saturday 17	St Hildegard of Bingen, virgin & doctor, Mem		
5:45pm	Baptism of George Bell Mass: <i>Intentions of Paul O'Donnell</i>	Frams for David	Michael for Julian
Sunday 18 10:00am	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass: <i>Celia Bradley RIP</i>	Teresa	Sandra Knapton
Monday 19	Feria		
Tuesday 20	Ss Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, Paul Chong Hasang, & Companions, Martyrs, Mem		
Wednesday 21 St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, Feast 2:00pm CWL Meeting in the Priory			
Thursday 22	Feria		
Friday 23	St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest, Mem		
Saturday 24 5:45pm	Feria Mass: <i>Alice Kay RIP</i>	Peter	Priya Newbery
Sunday 25 10:00am	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass: <i>David Tregidden RIP</i>	Sam	Anton Lodge

# Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster and President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, pays tribute to The Queen:

On 21 April 1947, on her twenty-first birthday, Princess Elizabeth said, 'I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service.'

Now, seventy-five years later, we are heartbroken in our loss at her death, and so full of admiration for the unfailing way in which she fulfilled that declaration.

Even in my sorrow, shared with so many around the world, I am filled with an immense sense of gratitude for the gift to the world that has been the life of Queen Elizabeth II.

At this time, we pray for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty. We do so with confidence, because the Christian faith marked every day of her life and activity.

In her Millennium Christmas message, she said, 'To many of us, our beliefs are of fundamental importance. For me the teachings of Christ and my own personal accountability before God provide a framework in which I try to lead my life. I, like so many of you, have drawn great comfort in difficult times from Christ's words and example.'

This faith, so often and so eloquently proclaimed in her public messages, has been an inspiration to me, and I am sure to many. The wisdom, stability and service which she consistently embodied, often in

circumstances of extreme difficulty, are a shining legacy and testament to her faith.

Our prayer is that she is now received into the merciful presence of God, there to be reunited with her beloved Prince Philip. This is the promise of our faith, and our deep consolation.

Queen Elizabeth II will remain, always, a shining light in our history. May she now rest in peace. We pray for His Majesty the King, as he assumes his new office even as he mourns his mother. God save the King.

#### Abbot Robert's Announcement from weekend of 4 September

I would like to thank you for your patience and for the very open conversation we had earlier in the year. True to my word, I would now like to announce the new appointment that I will be making in October. As I explained to you at the parish meeting, it takes time to get all the pieces of the jigsaw in place before it is possible to make a move.

From Sunday 9 October, Fr George Corrie will be the parish priest of St John's. He is, of course, no stranger to you and he will be assisted as and when necessary, by Fr Edgar Miller and Fr Bede Leach. I know that you will welcome them and give them the necessary support. Working together collaboratively is important and is the way ahead. Your priests are there to facilitate the work of God's Kingdom among you and are there to empower you in your own ministry as baptized members of Christ's body.

I look forward to seeing the growth of the parish and the contribution it will make to the Diocese.

Yours in Christ,

Abbot Robert Igo OSB.

#### Thought for the Week

Those blessings are sweetest that are won with prayer and worn with thanks.

Thomas Goodwin, Theologian, 1600-1680

#### There will be no hymns now until 23 October

We are very lucky to have Charlie McCaffrey play the organ for us, but, in his absence, if there are any other musicians who would be happy to accompany hymns, please could they contact Kathryn.

# **Upcoming Events**

# September

Wed 28 6:00pm Open Evening at All Saints RC School

#### October

Mon 3 Relics of St Bernadette at the Abbey

Fri 7 CAFOD family fast day
 Sun 9 Fr George appointed Priest
 Thur 13 7:00pm CTED Meeting, venue TBC

• 15/16 Oct First Masses with Fr George in Post

Sat 29 Clocks go back

### Offertory Collections: Thank you for your offerings

Thank you very much for last week's collection of £272.60

# Middlesbrough Food Bank: Next delivery 9 October

A big thank you for your very kind donations.

Current shortages - Microwavable rice, tinned potatoes, instant mash, meats, fish etc, and there is a continuing shortage of long-life fruit juice.

# Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child

There are some empty shoe boxes, with leaflets, for collection in the Porch. Please note they need to be returned between 16 Oct and 6 November. There is still one in the Priory left over from last year!

## **Parish Group Contacts**

# Please help yourselves to apples from the orchard.

#### **Christian Meditation**

This takes place most Fridays from 2:30pm to 3:15pm in the Galtres Centre, where there will be periods of music and silent meditation. All are welcome.

#### **Prayer to St Michael**

Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

## **Lourdes and St Bernadette**

- There will be a short talk at the end of Mass about the Middlesbrough Pilgrimage to Lourdes.
- The relics of St Bernadette are having what is being described as a "once-in-a-lifetime" tour of the country. It is an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, where Our Lady appeared to Saint Bernadette in 1858.
- The relics will arrive at Ampleforth Abbey at 1.30 p.m. on Monday 3 October and depart for Leeds Cathedral at 5.00p.m. For full details about the national pilgrimage, visit the special website www.stbernadette.org.uk

# **Messages from Catholic Agencies**

Message from CAFOD: Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected and donate now at cafod.org.uk/give

Invitation from Stella Maris to webinar: Thank you for your recent generous support for seafarers and fishers on Sea Sunday. As a follow up, Catholic charity Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) invites you to join a webinar on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September from 7.30pm to 9pm GMT to learn more about the issue of seafarer abandonment, and how donations like yours on Sea Sunday are supporting those in crisis. If you would like to attend, please register in advance at www.stellamaris.org.uk/abandonment

#### **Funds for Parishioners in Need**

We have been given a generous donation to support any parishioner who is in need. Some thought is being given to the best way to distribute this but, in the meantime, if you are in need, please speak to Kathryn. For a start, there is a Co-Op gift card in the safe that ought to cover a week's groceries.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

those who have died recently: Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, David Tregidden;

those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: Alice Jane Brown, Dr Laurence Cawley, Harry Field, John Grotrian, Reginald David Jackson, Kay Moss.

Rotas: More help is needed so please speak to Kathryn if you think you can help

Date	Coffee	Flowers
Sun 18 September	Barbara and Ken Wilkinson	Sheila Holroyd
Sun 25 September	Jill Simpson and Jenny Harp	Sheila Holroyd