## ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR

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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time **Sunday 11 September** 

**EDUCATION DAY** 

There will be a Second collection for the Catholic Education Service today.

Mass intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P. 8.30am

10.30am Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

**Monday 12 September** 

**Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary** 

No public Mass today Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Memorial of St John Chrysostom, **Tuesday 13 September** 

Bishop, Doctor of the Church Mass intention: Private Intention

10.00am

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Wednesday 14 September 10.00am Mass intention: Private Intention

**Thursday 15 September Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows** Mass Intention for: Private Intention 11.00am

Friday 16 September Memorial of Ss Cornelius, Pope

and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Mass Intention for: Private Intention 11.00am

Saturday 17 September Memorial of St Robert Bellarmine,

Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Memorial of St Hildegard of Bingen,

**Doctor of the Church** 

10.00am\* Mass Intention for: Private Intention

\* In the Georgian Chapel in the grounds of Harvington Hall

The SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession) is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.

**Sunday 18 September Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

HOME MISSION DAY

There will be a Second collection for the Catholic Evangelisation today.

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish 8.30am 10.30am CONFIRMATION MASS conducted by

Bishop David Evans.

Anniversaries in September: Rev William Thompson (1726), Rev Francis Parker (1779), Rev Richard Cornthwaite (1803), William Parkes, Thomas Parkes (1895), Ellen Ryan Ferris(1955) Rev John Love (1961), Bernard McKay (1985), Catherine Dawson (1992), Patrick Dawson (1998), Faye Bullock (1999), Violet Grove (1999), Joseph Haydon (2000), Mgr James Crighton (2001), John Keenan (2002) Michael Broadbent (2006), Leonard Bernard Myerscough (2010), Frank Verlic (2014), Peter Stubbins (2016), Patsy Mullins (2017), Michael Bird (2020)

In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick:

Deirdre Brookes, Kathleen Clark, Liz & Lionel Cornish, Bob & Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Siward James-Moore, Bernard Millard, John & Ellen Mottram, John & Patricia Newton, Ann Parry, Clare Saich, Karen Wright, Elizabeth Howell, Bill Riley.

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In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.** 

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... for all your offerings and donations.

Contributions to the Parish: 22-29 August

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: £316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes: £120.00
Loose cash: £81.10

CAFOD appeal for the Pakistan Flood emergency...

£747.00

Direct Debit, forms are available from the table in the porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.

For **OFFERTORY DONATIONS** on **SUNDAYS** please place your offering in the 'bin' on the entrance table. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar.

**COVID PRECAUTIONS**: Whilst there is no legal requirement to wear a face covering the government suggests that we still 'Consider wearing a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces'. In addition, if members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a 'Please Leave Space' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.

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PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Valerie Nolan,

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If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240.

If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000.

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Peter Boszko, hs.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk



## THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON

Thank you to everyone in our Parish and Deanery who generously gave their time, talents and energy to make the Pilgrimage such a success this year. Approximately 450 pilgrims attended, representing parishes from across the Diocese led by the Vicar General, Diocesan clergy, dignitaries, staff and students from Oscott College, members of the Catholic Men's Association, Catenians, altar servers, choir members and musicians and many other volunteers.

The news story and photo gallery are now on the Diocesan website: Hundreds travel to Harvington Hall for the annual pilgrimage | Birmingham Diocesan Trust (birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

Harvington Hall was donated to the Archdiocese of Birmingham in 1923 and next year we shall celebrate this centenary of ownership as a shrine of the English Martyrs.

Our **CRAFT GROUP** will be having a sale of their handiwork on Sunday 11th **September after both Masses**. Please make a note of the date and bring along your cash/cheque book so you can buy some unique pieces of craftwork to either give as presents or as a treat for yourself!



Our **BOOK GROUP** are reading Erebus by Michael Palin and will meet to discuss the book on Monday 12 September at 9.30am in the Priest's House garden. Come and join in! Choose a book you'd like the group to read!



The local FRIENDS of the HOLYLAND group are holding a Fashion Show at M&CO in Lombard Street Stourport on SUNDAY 25th September at 3.00pm. Come along and sort out your Autumn wardrobe at this popular event.



Tickets are £5.00 each available in store or after Sunday Masses or from Jim and Anne Quinn (01299 851021)



## **EDUCATION SUNDAY** is one of the oldest

atholic Education Service Days of Special Prayer in this country's Supporting Catholic Education Since 1847 liturgical calendar. Established by the Bishops in 1848, originally on the feast of the Sacred

Heart in June, and now celebrated at the beginning of the academic year. Although long associated with the annual collection for the work of the Catholic Education Service, its main purpose is to celebrate the work of Catholic education and to enable it to continue to flourish with the support of the whole Catholic community. Catholic education is a precious legacy from our forebears, and a testament to their courage and foresight. In the mid-nineteenth century the Catholic Church in this country was a mainly poor and immigrant community, emerging from centuries of persecution. Education was rightly seen as the principal means of handing on the faith and improving the spiritual, moral, social and cultural lives of the next generation. The Bishops made the education of the poor their top priority and, making huge sacrifices, Catholics set about raising funds and fighting for the right to re-establish a national network of schools and universities which we enjoy today. Catholic education is a tremendous achievement to be celebrated. The Catholic Church is this country's largest provider of secondary schools and second largest provider of primary schools. Catholic education is by far the largest charitable endeavour of the Church in this country: we give thanks for the many thousands of teachers, lecturers, academics, support staff, leaders, governors, advisers and others who have found their vocation in Catholic education, and without whom this endeavour would be impossible. Catholic schools continue to be true to their mission: they are more diverse than any other type of school, they recruit disproportionately more children from the poorest areas of the country and still consistently manage to be the highest performing schools in the country. For Catholic education to continue to flourish, it needs to rely on the continued support of the whole Catholic community. As in previous generation, all Catholics need to be prepared to do their bit to support, promote and defend Catholic education. There are many ways to do this: whether by praying for vocations to Catholic education, responding to consultations or letting your elected representatives know your views, or encouraging a young person to teach in a Catholic school. In that way, we can all ensure together that our Catholic schools and universities will be there to form the next generation.

> Paul Barber Director of the Catholic Education Service https://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/schools/education-sunday