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# ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS



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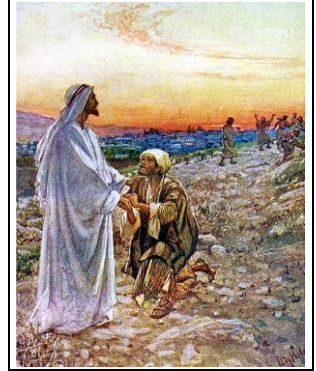
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## DATE

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October  
2022**

## SUNDAY

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time Year C**

## DIVINE OFFICE

**Week 4**

**Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.**

<u>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Jeff Reyes RIP <sup>(MB)</sup>
<u>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October</u> <b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:30am	Int. of Joe Kennelly <sup>(SVP)</sup>
<u>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> <b>Feria</b>		No Services Today
<u>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> St. John XXIII Pope <sup>Memorial</sup>		No Services Today
<u>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> <b>Feria</b>		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> St. Edward the Confessor <sup>Memorial</sup>		No Services Today
<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> <b>Feria</b>		No Services Today
<u>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct</u> St. Teresa of Avila <sup>Memorial</sup> Virgin, Doctor of the Church (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	6:00pm	No Morning Services Today Sick in the Parish <sup>(SVP)</sup>
<u>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October</u> <b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:30am	Marguerite Baxendale RIP <sup>(S&amp;JW)</sup>

## Pope Francis:

Sometimes we human beings believe that we are the masters of everything, or on the contrary, we lose all self-esteem. Prayer helps us to find the right dimensions in our relationship with God, our Father, and with all creation.

### This Week's CaFOD Prayer (Twenty-Eighth Sunday)

Lord God, may your grace go before us and follow after in all that we do; with such safeguard and aid may we always carry out with determination the good works you ask of us, for your name's sake.

### Nursery Places at SMA School

St. Mary of the Angels Primary School have a few places left in the Nursery (ages 3-4) for the current academic year. If you have a child of that age, and would like them to start Nursery in January, please contact Penny Ward in the school office.

### Welcome

This weekend we welcome **Fr. Craig Szmidt**, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Birmingham, who will be celebrating our Sunday Masses.

### Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Penelope Níamh K-S** who was baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels last weekend. We pray also for her parents and Godparents.

### Retiring Collection

This weekend, **8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> October**, there will be a retiring collection for: **CaFOD Family Fast Day**. If you wish to Gift Aid your donation please use one of the envelopes provided in the porch.

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **October** is: **For a Church open to everyone**. We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

### Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, remember especially:

**John Green, Roy Allsopp, Canon Michael & Christine, Frances Hutchcocks, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Paul Atkinson, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan née Meehan, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.**

Please pray also for all those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately, and for all those who are dedicated to the care of the sick.

### CaFOD Simple Meal

There is a list in the porch for names to be added of those interested in attending the **CaFOD Meal** on **Saturday the 22nd October** after the Vigil Mass. There will be a speaker/film and raffle. Please support this as all monies will aid the most needy in the world

Tickets will be £10pp.

### The Blessing of Graves

Family and friends of those who are buried in **Oscott Cemetery** are warmly invited on **November 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm** to the Blessing of Graves, a commemoration of all the faithful departed buried in the cemetery and an opportunity to pray for the repose of their souls.

The Service begins with prayers and reflection with the whole seminary community in the main square of the cemetery. Family and friends are then invited to gather at the graveside of their loved ones where one of the priests or seminarians will pray alongside them and bless the grave with Holy Water.

Please see the notice board for details.

### Sacramental Preparation

If you have children in a non-Catholic School who have just started Years 3 or 6 the time has come to think about their preparation for the Sacraments. Our Sacramental Preparation Programme starts after the October half term. If you would like your child(ren) enrolled onto this programme please speak to Fr. Craig.

### Vocations Prayer Calendar 22/23

The new 2022/2023 Diocesan 'Vocations Prayer Calendar' card is now available in the church porch. Please take one away with you at the end of Mass so that each day we can pray for the gift of vocations. If you visit the housebound please also take a copy for them.

### Craft & Natter

We meet every **Tuesday** from **11am to 3pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. Everyone is welcome, 50p per session for drinks and supplies. Come for the whole day or for part of the day; just remember to bring your lunch. For more information call Christine W on 07900 604902.

### Praying for the Unborn



Tomorrow we celebrate World Mental Health Day. We pray especially for all mothers experiencing difficulties in their pregnancies, whose mental health has, as a result, been negatively impacted. We pray that as a society we would do all we can to help and protect mothers through these circumstances, whilst keeping the health and wellbeing of both mother and child as top priority. Amen.

### Whetstone Over 50's Group

The next meeting of the Whetstone Over 50's Group takes place this **Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> October**, at Druids Heath Golf Club. Those who are booked to attend are reminded to gather at the golf club at 12:30pm for a 1:00pm start.

### Adult Catechesis – RCIA Course

On **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November** we begin our course of Adult Catechesis at **6:30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. Whilst this course is aimed at those preparing for reception into full communion with the Church at Easter, it is open to all members of the parish. If you would like to learn more about the faith, have a refresher course, or simply want to support those preparing to become Catholics, you are warmly invited to come along to these meeting.

### Urgent Request from Walsall Life



Walsall Life gratefully thank those who donated a pram and zipped bag requested last week. They still urgently need a Moses basket and sterilizer. If you have either of these that you no longer require please contact Ann on 01922 451124.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig directly in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

### Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: <https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html> Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

**7pm Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

**7pm Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

### Collections:

**Last Week's Offertory: £195.30**  
**Weekly Standing Orders: £898.00**

### **PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 8<sup>TH</sup>/9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>READERS:</b>	Hugh D & Brian L
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<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Folk Group
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<b>READERS:</b>	Catherine A & Alice G
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### **Duties During the Week: 10<sup>th</sup> Oct – 15<sup>th</sup> Oct**

<b>CLEANERS:</b>	Team A
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<b>FLOWERS:</b>	Ann T
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### **PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 15<sup>TH</sup>/16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Dawn Mercer
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<b>WARDENS:</b>	Brian L
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<b>READERS:</b>	Gerry W & John H
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<b>MUSIC:</b>	Choir
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<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Elena S & Margaret L
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<b>WARDENS:</b>	Pat & Sally S
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<b>READERS:</b>	Helen C & Jacqui B
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<b>COFFEE:</b>	The Reynolds Family
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**And finally:-** The Gospel of the 28<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Year C, draws our attention to gratitude or thankfulness. In the passage we have just heard we see how only one of the ten lepers who received the gift of healing returned to thank our Lord for the miracle He had performed for them. The question that each of us is called to ask ourselves as we listen to this Gospel is "Am I the one who returned or am I one of the nine"? As Christians we are called to recognise, with an attitude of gratitude, the many gifts that God pours out upon us each and every day of our lives here on earth. Whilst it is easy to recognise, and give thanks for, the many blessings we receive: health, family, friends, faith, a new day etc. Do we also see God's hand at work, moulding and shaping us for the good, in the struggles, difficulties, hardships and sufferings that we sometimes have to endure? In all things may we be people of thankfulness and praise, as God, in His all-knowing wisdom, pours out His gifts by which He forms us anew each day.

*May God bless you all. Fr. Craig*