

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time

3rd October 2021

Thought for the Week

We are drawing to the end of our: 'Closer to Christ campaign'. This has been a great success, and my thanks to all those of you who have been able to respond so positively and generously. This appeal has been for the training of priests for our Diocese and for their retirement. A proportion of the money raised will come back to our Parish – I propose that we use this to further the work that happens in our Parish Centre and particular with our young people.

We still need to raise another £32,500 so that we can achieve our goal of £320,000 – I am sure this week we will raise this final amount .

The Leadership Team in the Parish have been pondering for some time, about the need for some form of coordinator for our youth work - so that our young people really know Jesus Christ and are rooted in our Parish community and the Church. We believe that youth ministry is vital to the future and growth of our Parish. The creation of a part time post for youth coordinator, will allow working, in conjunction with existing youth group leaders', development of programmes of regular and one-off youth ministry activities which respond to the spiritual, catechetical and social needs and aspirations of young people.

Youth ministry is vital to the future and growth of the Parish, in particular post Covid, and in the spirit of the Popes book; 'Let Us Dream' – this new role will ensure that our youth activities provide an environment where faith will grow.

In the newsletter this week you will see the advert for this post which will be advertised in the Diocese as well.

Canon David Hopgood

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed upon the Altar each Friday from 10:00 until 16:00 for private prayer. Why not make a visit to the Church for this lovely time of prayer.

Confessions

The sacrament of reconciliation will available every Saturday from 11:00- 11:30 at St Edward's

Baptism

Congratulations to Mason Hadley, who will be baptised on Sunday 10th October.

Offertory + Special Collections

Envelopes	£324.00
Loose	£400.68
SO/DD	£2,058.00

Mass Times + Intentions 2 - 10 Oct

Sat 02	18:00	Pauline Fosket – INT
Sun 03	09:30	People of the Parish – St Mark's
	11:00	Jimmy Regan – RIP
Mon 04	10:00	Eucharistic Service
	13:00	Patricia Stiefel – RIP - Funeral Service
Tue 05	18:30	Joan Holland – RIP
Wed 06	10:00	Giuseppe Battocchi - RIP
Thur 07	10:30	Josephine Thomas – RIP – Funeral Mass
Fri 08	12:00	Anthony Arden - RIP
Sat 09	18:00	Tricia + Michael Samorzewska - INT
Sun 10	09:30	People of the Parish - St Mark's
	11:00	Joseph Keogh - RIP

Parish Diary

Sun 03	12:15	Baptism - Olivia Christie
Mon 04	19:30	HCPT – Volunteers Meeting P/C
Tue 05	10:30	UCM Meeting – P/C- Speaker Sharon Cole
	11:00	<i>Chapter Meeting + Mass, Cathedral – (Fr David)</i>
Wed 06	09:30	Mum's + Toddlers P/C
	15:30	<i>Pastoral Area Clergy Meeting – (Fr David)</i>
Thurs 07	13:00	Mass Readings Explained-P/C
	18:00	<i>Windsor Christian Action – Trustees Meeting – (Fr David)</i>
	19:30	Walking with Scripture – P/C
Sat 09	10:00	First Holy Communion Prep – St Edward's
Sun 10	12:00	Baptism Preparation – P/C
	12:15	Baptism – Mason Hadley

St Edward's Parish Youth Co-ordinator

Applications are now invited for this important Parish Role. The successful applicant will be responsible for working with all our existing Parish Youth groups and preparing other opportunities for our Youth to develop their spiritual, needs and grow their Faith. Our Youth are the future of our Church and it is vital we look after them and provide every possible opportunity for them.

The full advertisement with a job specification and application can be obtained from the Parish Office, parishoffice@catholicwindsor.org or our web site www.catholicwindsor.org

Applications will at midnight close on 31st October 2021.

Canon David Hopgood: Parish Priest
E-mail: canondavid@catholicwindsor.org

Rev George Young: Deacon

Sr Teresina Fingleton CSB: Parish Sister

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Pat Burke: Safeguarding Representative
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Richard Flisher: Finance Manager
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Patricia Brown: Parish Secretary
parishoffice@catholicwindsor.org

Mini Vinnies & Junior SVP

Will be returning for more faithful fun on the following days: New Time: 17:30 to 19.00

- Oct 13th & 27th
- Nov 10th & 24th
- Dec 8th & 22nd

If your child is in year 4 or above and would like to be involved, please contact them on: confwindsor22@gmail.com

Coffee Morning

Please note that coffee and teas will not be available after the 11:00 Mass on Sunday 3 October. The parish Catenians are having their President's Sunday Family Lunch. Normal service will resume next week.

Refreshments in Parish Centre

All teas, coffee and squash will be centrally located in the Parish Centre kitchen. So please do not bring individual items for groups. If there is anything which you need, please contact Linda Mullan on:- lamullan@hotmail.com

Mass Readings Explained

These weekly sessions have recommenced and will continue weekly on Thursdays from 1.00 pm to 2:30 pm in our Parish Centre. There are many who have been enriched by Dr Pitre's explanations which has enabled participants to prepare themselves spiritually and to digest the Word of God given to them at the Eucharistic Celebration on Sundays. All are welcome.

On-Line Shopping for Christmas

In the run-up to Christmas, we will all be shopping online more than ever. This is a golden opportunity to help Parish Finances without it costing you a penny.

Please download the link below to your device and Give As you Live will redirect you to your chosen shop via GAYL. <https://www.giveasyoulive.com/charity/st-edwards-r-c-church>

This will earn the Parish a small percentage of everything you spend. We are already getting hundreds of pounds a year from the few Parishioners that use it. If we all did it would be thousands. The time to act is now before seasonal spending starts. Thank you.

HCPT (Hosanna House Children's Pilgrimage Trust)

HCPT are organising a pilgrimage to Lourdes next Easter 2022 (obviously depending on the health & travel situation). It would be great if your parish group (128) could travel next year. The group is looking for volunteers who are interested in being helpers and people who could help with fundraising. We are also looking for a helper with current nursing status who could travel with the group as the Group Nurse. An information get together will be held on Monday 4th October at 7.30pm in the Parish centre.

Confirmation - registration is closed.

Registration for Confirmation for 2022 is now closed. This is because we have over 30 candidates and cannot accommodate anymore, next confirmation preparations will start in the summer of 2023.

CYMFed Faith in Action Award

We would like to invite young people between the ages of 10 -16, school years 6 to 13 to enrol in the Faith in Action award. The CYMFed Faith in Action Award rewards young people's active service in helping to build the Kingdom of God on Earth. Many young people are doing so much to follow Jesus' example in serving others in their schools and parishes. The Faith in Action Award encourages young people to take that service into their wider community and accept greater responsibility for their faith in action.

There are four levels of award: Pin, Bronze, Silver and Gold. Participants accrue credits of service in their parish and / or school and the wider community. The Faith in Action Award builds on what young people already experience in serving others, asking them to reflect upon it so that they may find new ways of living out and exploring their faith. There is an opportunity for both guided reflections, through group reflection points and personal reflection, through journaling. At the end of the scheme, participants submit a small final piece of work for moderation before being awarded their Faith in Action Award.

More information can be found via this link <https://faithinactionaward.co.uk/> If you would like to find out more about this or how to enrol your child please contact rconfwindsor22@gmail.com

St Edward's Royal Free Ecumenical Middle School

Opening Morning – 4th October from 9.15 – 10.45.

Opening Evening – 7th October 6-8pm. To

Register – openevening@sterf.org.uk – www.sterf.org.uk

The Sleep-Out – Friday 15 October 2021

This is Windsor Christian Action's Homeless Project's biggest fundraiser of the year. Last year 43 sleepers raised £25,000. Please see link to donate and sponsor someone sleeping out. Tom Hinds is taking part in this and if you would like to sponsor him call: 01753 858123 or log onto:

www.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/whpsleepout2021.

Music

We are gradually adding music to be sung at Mass. For a trial period we will have music rather than a final hymn at Mass. (This is suggested as good liturgical practice).

Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Patricia Stiefel**. Her funeral service will be on 4th October at St Edward's at 13:00.

Also pray for the repose **Josephine Thomas**. Her funeral will take place at St Edward's on 7th October at 10:30.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **David Blackford**, his funeral will be at St Edward's on 20th October at 10:30.

Also pray for the repose of the soul of **Erlinda Pentecostes** and who died recently, further details will follow.