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**31st July 2022 – YEAR C**

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

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**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**: Number 3

**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** We proclaim your Death, O Lord…

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Frances Grindon

**Sun:** 10:00am - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Tue:** 9:30am - Celebration of the Word & Communion

**Thu:** 9:30am - Celebration of the Word & Communion

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Fedele Girardi

**Sun:** 10:00am - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

Rosary: None: restarts on September 7th

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Adriano Catalano, Alan Paul, Virginia Beirne, Ethel Dickens, Betty Newell, Francis Brady, Vincent Donaghy, Edward Grindon, Jan Luty John O’Rouke and Joseph Hayden.

**People who need our prayers**

Susan V, Andrew, Patricia (Pat) S, Lily McDonald, Mike, Maureen Mullen, Brian T, Doric, Faye, Paddy M., Kathleen R, Natalie, Skilton & Vallet families, Fleurette, Emilie, Richard & family, Eloise & Claudia & family, Silma Noel, Anick, Phiz & Jaci .

**OFFERTORY:** Last week’s collection amounted to £440.88. Thank you very much.

**THE BAPTISM:** Of Thomas Bradley will be during the 10am Mass today.

**THE BAPTISM:** For Thea Thornton will be at 10am next Sunday.

**WELCOME RITE:** For Kailum Jones will be at 10am next Sunday and his Baptism will be at 12noon on Sunday August 14th.

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Monday: St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor

Saturday: Transfiguration of the Lord

**WE WISH:** Peter and Pat Henry every blessing from God on their golden wedding anniversary this Friday, August 5th. They were married at St Peter’s on August 5th 1972.

**TEA/COFFEE/REFRESHMENTS:** After Sunday’s Mass will be in the Parish Hall Lounge.

**POPE’S INTENTION FOR JULY:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

**CHILDREN’S ROSARY PRAYER GROUP:** Will meet on Saturday August 6th at 10am in church.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS:** There is a comprehensive list of requested items at the back of church for example tinned meat & fish, peas and carrots, jam, coffee, shampoo please see list. **No other items** please are at present required. Cash donations recently were £65.00 in May and £48.73 in June. Thank you for all your kind donations.

 **ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR:** The apparitions seen by St Bernadette in Lourdes took place over five months, and over the course of time, an intimate relationship of trust, obedience and love developed between Our Lady and Bernadette.

 In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage from Lourdes to England, Scotland and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in a church or cathedral near home.

 The relics will be visiting Northampton Cathedral from 3pm on October 10th until 9am on October 13th. For more information and to register a place, see noticeboard, [www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/](www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/%20) and for general enquiries: [contact@stbernadette.org.uk](contact%40stbernadette.org.uk).

**YOUTH MINISTRY CONFERENCE:** On Saturday October 8th at the St Thomas Centre, Northampton Cathedral is for youth ministers, catechists, chaplains, teachers, priests, deacons, volunteers and all who work with young people in the Church. This year, the theme of the conference is ‘Called to Love’ which will explore the Church’s teaching on Sexuality and Identity, and how we can be better prepared to accompany our young people through the confusion, as they seek to find their identity in Christ. See poster and [nymo.org/conference](http://www.nymo.org/conference).

**Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel**

1. ‘One’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions’ said Jesus. *What have you found by experience to be more important in life than possessions? What brought this home to you?*

2. ‘Be on your guard against all kinds of greed’. Perhaps you have seen how greed can lead to trouble in public life, in family life, and in the personal life of individuals. *What has helped you to guard against greed? What benefits have you experienced when you were less greedy?*

3. The message of the parable could be summed up in saying ‘If you want to give God a laugh, tell him your plans’. Life takes many twists and turns we do not anticipate. *When have you found that you had to change your plans because of unexpected circumstances? What has helped you to be flexible and resourceful at such times?*

**PRAYER FOR BLESSING OF GRANDPARENTS:** Lord God almighty, bless our grandparents with long life, happiness and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen