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**4th September 2022 – YEAR C**

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

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**PREFACE:** Page 67 Number 6

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**: Number 2

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

**Sat:** 6:30pm - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Sun:** 10:00am - Rob Marchment

**Tue:** 9:30am - Mary Nelson

**Wed:** 7:30pm - KV Varghese

**Thu:** 9:30am - Private Intention

**Fri:** 7:30pm - Private Intention

**Sat:** 6:30pm - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Sun:** 10:00am - Ken Bailey

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11am - 11:30am

Rosary: Wednesday 7:10pm

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** E. Rodgalvis, Christopher Lee, Robert Marchment, Stanislaus Wysocki, Arthur Booth, Adam Gomulczak, James (Larry) Fleming, Michael Kehoe, Patrick Doheny, Frederick Souza, William Banner, Anthony Humphreys, George Fitzgerald and Sylvia Franklin.

**People who need our prayers**

Elizabeth, Cyprian, Madeline, Anna, James Miller, Mike, Anne 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, Elizabeth, & Inge, Cyprian, Marlene and families, Jose & family, Greta, Magaly, Jimmy, Pater Remi, Gilbert, Antoinette, Sue & Vic and families, Eva, Barbara, Francis, Lily MacDonald and Carmel.

**OFFERTORY:** Last week’s collection amounted to £546.02. Thank you very much.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Next weekend is an emergency appeal for the floods in Pakistan (see below).

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Thursday: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: Our Lady on Saturday

**BAPTISM:** Of Órla-Rose Fanning is at 10am today.

**DEC PAKISTAN FLOODS APPEAL:** 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 <https://cafod.org.uk/Give>

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

**CONFIRMATION 2022:** Preparation for the sacrament resumes today, Sunday September 4th, in the Parish Hall after Mass.

**TIME TOGETHER GROUP:** Meets next Saturday, September 10th, at 2:30pm in the Parish Hall, when Mike Neville will give a talk entitled ‘Trust me, I was an estate agent!’ All are welcome.

**POPE’S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:** *For the abolition of the death penalty.* We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

**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.

**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/](file:///C:\Joe\Documents\Weekly%20Newsletters\2022\www.stbernadette.org.uk\the-tour\) and for general enquiries: [contact@stbernadette.org.uk](file:///C:\Joe\Documents\Weekly%20Newsletters\2022\contact@stbernadette.org.uk).

**CAFOD:** All are invited to hear about CAFOD’s work, how we are responding to the world food crisis with focus on East Africa. Coffee/tea from 10am for 10:30am start until 1pm followed by a shared lunch. Please book a place at your preferred venue by phone (01494 863 777) or email: [northampton@cafod.org.uk](file:///C:\Joe\Documents\Weekly%20Newsletters\2022\northampton@cafod.org.uk).

Saturday September 17th – St Augustine Church, 1 Langcliffe Drive, Heelands, Milton Keynes MK13 7PL

Saturday September 24th – St Teresa’s Hall, 40 Warwick Road, Beaconsfield HP9 2PLl;

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

1. The passage is a call to both radical and practical discipleship. *When have you found that in order to achieve a certain objective you had to make it a priority, and then take the practical steps necessary to reach your goal? What were the benefits to you when you did this?*

2. ‘Hate’ is prophetic exaggeration for the uncompromising loyalty Jesus seeks in disciples. There may be times when people make demands in conflict with fidelity to another relationship. This can be painful. *When have you found that being clear about your priorities helped you in that situation?*

3. Jesus uses parables here to tell us that in important human affairs we do not settle for vague aspirations. *When have you found that some element of practical planning has been necessary to make progress with a project? What has this taught you about making the most of your life and of your time?*