



St. Raphael's Church

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Sunday 18th September – 25th Sunday in Ordinary time (C)

9.30am Teresa Donaldson RIP
11.30am H.M. Queen Elizabeth II RIP
5.00pm Missa Pro Populo
4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 19th September St. Theodore of Canterbury
10.00am KM Queen Elizabeth II RIP

Tuesday 20th September SS. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions.
10.00am Aloysius De Menezes

Wednesday 21st September St. Matthew
12.00noon Kevin Archer

Thursday 22nd September Feria in Ordinary Time (Latin Mass – Novus Ordo)
10.00am Sofia Rosales-King
Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying for vocations to the priesthood
concluding with Benediction at 12.00noon.

Friday 23rd September St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)
10.00am Benny Gomez RIP
A day of abstinence when Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat

Saturday 24th September Our Lady of Walsingham
10.00am In thanksgiving for a 1st great grand child

Sunday 25th September – 26th Sunday in Ordinary time (C)

9.30am Irgna Palamarchak and the children in Ternopil, Ukraine
11.30am Miriam Smith RIP
5.00pm Missa Pro Populo
4.00pm Rosary & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

2ND COLLECTION

Today is Home Mission Sunday and there will be a 2nd collection to support the work of the Catholic Agency for Evangelization in spreading the faith in this county.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note, the Parish Office is closed until Monday 3rd October.

UK TOUR OF THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE

The relics of St. Bernadette which have been touring this country, will be at our cathedral of St. George's from the 19th – 21st September and they will be at Aylesford from the 24th – 28th October. For more information go to <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relic-tour-2022>
uk-tour-of-the-relics-of-st-bernadette

CONFESSIONS

Sundays 9.00am - 9.20am.
4.30pm - 4.50pm
Saturdays 10.30am - 11.00am

THE ROSARY

is recited daily in the Church
Monday - Saturday before Mass
and at 4.00pm on Sundays.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays - 4.00pm Rosary & Benediction
Thursdays – Exposition following the 10.00am Mass, concluding with Benediction at 12noon.

In today's Gospel, the words of Christ warning those who would follow him on the road to Heaven not to become the slaves of earthly things are applicable to all of us. Most of us may feel that this warning is for the very rich but Our Lord didn't say so. There was not a single millionaire in his audience. He meant it for all of us, for what he warned against was not the just acquisition of this world's goods but their unjust acquisition, and the dishonest use of them when they were justly acquired.

It was God who created all that exists in this world. He intended these goods for the use of man. We are only managers, therefore, of these worldly goods. It is on our way of managing these goods, not on the quantity we had to manage, that our judgment will be based. Millionaires can get to heaven while all paupers have no guarantee that they will make it.

Two resolutions worthy of our serious consideration today in relation to earthly goods are: Never let them take up all your time, we have a far more serious purpose in life. Secondly, be grateful to God for what He has given us in this life. We all might like to have a lot more, but God knows best. Let us work honestly and be generous with what we have. We are serving God, not money. God will be waiting for us where there is no currency, and where the one bank account that matters will be the good use that we made of our time and our share of this world's goods while we were alive.

INDUCTION MASS FOR NEW HEAD OF ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

On Tuesday 27th September at 4.00pm we welcome Bishop Paul Hendricks to the Church for a Mass during which he will formally induct Mrs Lorraine Flower as the new Head Teacher of St. Joseph's, our Parish Primary School.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING

There will be an important meeting in Alexander House for the parents of the first Holy Communion Children, (for those who have been accepted on the course) on Thursday 29th September at 7.00pm. Parking is available in the Church Car Park and from 6.30pm in Riverside Close. The meeting will last about an hour. For more information or in case of queries please contact Ginette galhowell@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION 2023

If you are aged twelve or above and wish to be Confirmed next summer then you need to join the Faith Formation Group which will be meeting next on Sunday 25th September after the 9.30am Mass in the Hall. The meetings will be held roughly once a month and the Confirmation Mass will be celebrated some time in May or June next year.

'The announcement of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is a cause of great sadness for her beloved family, for the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth, and all people of goodwill. We give thanks to Almighty God for Her Majesty's life of unfailing dedication and the outstanding example of Her Majesty's service, faithful unto death. As a devoted disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ, Her Majesty witnessed to the Gospel of God's love for all people and worked tirelessly to strengthen harmony, to defend justice and to promote peace. We now pray for the repose of her soul, remembering the promise of Christ, who is the Resurrection and the life: 'I am with you always, even until the end of time.' May Her Majesty rest in peace and rise in glory. We pray for our King, for the Queen Consort and for all the Royal Family at this time of bereavement. We offer to them our deepest sympathy and condolence. Let us also pray for our United Kingdom and the Commonwealth, grateful to God for Queen Elizabeth II's remarkable life and selfless commitment to the promises she made at her Coronation. Her Majesty has been a part of all our lives and we shall miss her deeply. We beseech you Almighty God, that your servant Elizabeth, who by your mercy received the government of this realm, and who dedicated her life entirely to the service of her people, may now rest from her labours in the peace of Christ which surpasses all understanding. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.'

Archbishop John Wilson

"I know just how much I rely on my own faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning, I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God. Like others of you who draw inspiration from your own faith, I draw strength from the message of hope in the Christian gospel." Queen Elizabeth II