

**ST AUGUSTINE'S, DATCHET      OUR LADY OF SORROWS, ETON**

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**NEWSLETTER**  
**Sunday 5 May 2019**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

Sunday Masses: St Augustine's – Saturday at 6.00 pm; Sunday at 11.00 am  
Our Lady of Sorrows - Sunday at 9.30 am

Usual Weekday Masses: St Augustine's – Monday to Friday at 9.30 am  
Mass will be preceded by praying the Rosary at 9.15 am

**Mass Intentions**

St. Augustine's:	Saturday	4th May	6.00 pm	Private Intention
	Sunday	5th May	11.00 am	Nodlaig O'Flaherty R.I.P.
	Monday	6th May	9.30 am	Private Intention
	Tuesday	7th May	9.30 am	Private Intention
	Wednesday	8th May	9.30 am	Carolyn Ansell R.I.P.
Our Lady of Sorrows:	Thursday	9th May	9.30 am	Private Intention
	Friday	10th May	9.30 am	Private Intention
	Sunday	5th May	9.30 am	Karen and Santana Luis, Wedding Anniversary

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** St. Augustine's, every Tuesday to Friday from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm, ending with Benediction at 6.15 pm.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 12.30 to 1.30 pm. Fr. Frank will be available in St. Augustine's Church for those who wish to receive this sacrament or would like some spiritual guidance.

**Diocesan Priests' Training Fund:** There will be a second collection next weekend (Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th) for the Diocesan Priests' Training Fund.

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**Offertory:** Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019 £558.85

**Holy Places:** £245.86

**Missio APF Red Boxes:** The amount collected via the Red Box appeal in our Parish was £547. We have received a letter from Missio APF thanking us for our generous donations.

**Food Bank Collection** will be this weekend (Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th May).

**Blessing of Graves in Slough Cemetery** will be on Sunday 26th May at 2.00 pm.

**A Selection of Spiritual Books** are on sale at the back of the Church.

**Preparation for First Communion:** Candidates for First Communion will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00 am. Please continue to remember our Candidates in your Prayers as they progress on their course.

**Your prayers are asked for** those parishioners who remain ill, including: Dorrie Keating, Eithne Reynolds, Terri Nicholl, Michael Cadwallader, James Ansell, Ron Budd, Joan and Jack Wilson, David Mendes, and for those recovering from recent illness, including Jackie Cullen.

**Thought for the Week - Integrating Prayer and Life – Living in the Present Moment (continued from last week's Newsletter)**

A truly prayerful life will have the effect of making me more patient with people and more accepting of events that are part of daily living. This became very clear to me one morning in my parish in Africa where a chance meeting with a woman told me a great deal about the whole issue of prayer. My day began with silent prayer in the Church - a short distance from my house. One morning, on my way to the Church, I met a woman with an urgent problem. I was irritated by her coming at that particular time and said to myself 'why couldn't she come at a more convenient time'. As I reflected on this incident a new angle on prayer opened up for me. It led me to see how much my prayer was being dictated by *my own agenda* rather than God's. The Church was where I wanted to meet God but, on that particular morning, it wasn't where God wanted to meet me. Yes, out of politeness I listened to the woman, but in no way was I *present* to her. My mind was in the future moment *where I wanted to be*, not in the present *where God wanted me to be*.

I wish that the lesson of this incident would stay with me always. If I'm to live in attentiveness to God's presence – and this is the aim of prayer – I must learn to give more *respect* to what *the present moment is offering*. This means being fully and welcomingly *present* to the person I'm with, to the routine task I'm doing, to the interruption I hadn't planned for, to the disappointment I hadn't expected, to the large and little aches I must put up with. It means being less upset by the traffic lights that always seem to turn red when I'm in a hurry, more patient in the supermarket queue, more attentive to the boring person who comes to the door, or the difficult person I have to live with. It means learning to see God in every event and encounter.

(excerpt from "In Wonder and Adoration and Gratitude" Frank McAuliffe)