

ST AUGUSTINE'S DATCHET		OUR LADY OF SORROWS ETON		
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NEWSLETTER				
Sunday 6th October 2019 27th Sunday of the Year				
Sunday Masses:	St Augustine's – Saturday at 6.00 pm; Sunday at 11.00 am Our Lady of Sorrows - Sunday at 9.30 am			
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 Intention				
St. Augustine's:	Saturday	5 October	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
	Sunday	6 October	11.00 am	Special Intention
	Monday	7 October	9.30 am	Beata Fernandes R.I.P
	Tuesday	8 October	9.30 am	Special Intention
	Wednesday	9 October	9.30 am	Carolyn Ansell R.I.P
	Thursday	10 October	9.30 am	Private Intention
	Friday	11 October	9.30 am	Private Intention
Our Lady of Sorrows:	Sunday	6 October	9.30 am	Ronnie Stewart R.I. P
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: St. Augustine's, every Tuesday and Thursday 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				
Offertory: Sunday 29 September 2019 £455.31				

Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, October 8 at 10.15am

Second Collection for CAFOD this weekend

Your prayers are asked for

The repose of the soul of Ladislau Ratos, brother of Brazilia Dias and uncle of Anthony. We offer our condolences to Brazilia and Anthony and pray that God will comfort them. Funeral arrangements later.

Fr. Séan Rynn and those parishioners who remain ill, including: Dorrie Keating, Maggie Auton, Terri Nicholl, Michael Cadwallader, Joan and Jack Wilson, David Mendes, Yolande Solari, Mick Prichard and for those recovering from recent illness, including Jackie Cullen.

Anniversaries Please pray for those who died recently, including Peter Fredrickson, Ann Woodward, Betty Butler, John Connolly, Luceta Shaw, Charles Newton, and Jesse Grey, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

SOME THOUGHTS ON CHRISTIAN LIVING

Religion and Technology

We live in a culture that idolizes self-assertion and independence. It tells us that it is dehumanizing to live as people who are dependent on God. To be fully human we must get rid of God who keeps us in a state of servility and dependence.

Technology has had a huge influence on contemporary culture; in many ways, it has bred and nurtured it. The technological mentality gives us a sense of power and control over our lives, our destiny and our world. Because of technology's imperious status in today's world, its values are sacred and untouchable. Technology is the god we must follow with unswerving loyalty if we are to be liberated from 'the superstitions of the past'. God is irrelevant; he is seen as wholly superfluous –even inimical – in our evolutionary progress towards a 'liberated society'.

Such an outlook is a dangerous enemy of humanity because it is *one-dimensional* in its view of the human person. It ignores the *spiritual aspect* of our lives, and the values associated with the spiritual - compassion, mutual respect, regard for the truth, trustworthiness, respect for life etc. These values are essential to all that is decent in human living, and they are very lacking in today's society

The human person is *both material and spiritual* and any ideology that ignores *either aspect* impoverishes us as human beings. By its very nature, therefore, an exclusively secularist view of the world can't do justice to the dignity that is ours as human beings, nor can it satisfy the deepest aspirations of the human spirit.

Fr. Frank