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SUNDAY 18 JUNE 2023 – ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

MESSAGE The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few. As we are disciples of Jesus, we are asked to labour for the Kingdom of God where we are planted. With a simple drop of water an ocean begins. Likewise, our simple effort for the Kingdom of God is not in vain. Once we use gifts and talents, it will be fruitful for many around us. The Church in many places is suffering from lack of Vocations. We need to pray for young people courageously taking their call to priesthood, religious life, or to matrimony so that the Kingdom of God will grow. We are sent with baptism to the place where we are. Let us be fruitful. Fr. Shyju

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WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
Datchet	Sat 17	6.00pm	Mrs Toolis RIP
Eton	Sun 18	9.30am	People of the Parish
Datchet	Sun 18	11.00am	Pedrina McCarthy Family Int
Datchet	Mon 19	9.30am	John Stratford RIP
Datchet	Tue 20	9.30am	Holy Souls
Datchet	Wed 21	9.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
Datchet	Thu 22	9.30am	Mary Kelly RIP
Datchet	Fri 23	9.30am	Buckley Families RIP
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Rosary: 9.10am on Weekdays prior to the Holy Mass Confession: Weekdays after Mass/by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday after 9.30am Mass / Silent Adoration prior to Holy Mass 8.30am

We wish all Fathers a very happy Father's Day this Sunday.

TEA/COFFEE will be held after the 9.30am Mass this Sunday in the Eton Council Chamber.

OFFERTORY: 10 /11 June 2023: Cash £249, S/Os £120.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: Day for Life.

SICK OF THE PARISH

Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Terri Nicoll, Fred Oufi, Nino Puma and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them and / or take communion to sick people at home, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju, or send an email to him.

RCIA PROGRAMME & CONFIRMATION

If you wish any of your children to join the preparation classes for Confirmation, or if you know of anyone who wishes to join the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office. Preparations will begin in the Autumn.

REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS

Please use one of the envelopes, which can be found at the back of the Churches.

PARISH BBQ - SUNDAY 2 JULY, DATCHET PRESBYTERY GARDEN

The deadline for signing-up for the Parish BBQ is this weekend. (Sign-up sheets are at the back of the Church or email the Office.). Tea and Coffee will be provided prior to the Parish Annual General Meeting, which precedes the BBQ. Water and squash will be available at the BBQ. If you want wine, beer, or soft drinks to have with your food, please bring your own drinks and glasses. We may not have enough tables or chairs for all those attending, so if you can bring a garden chair for yourself, please do so.

OFFERTORY DONATIONS VIA STANDING ORDER

Thank you to those who have already completed and returned their forms to set up a Standing Order to make their Offertory donations. A batch of forms has already been sent to the Diocese Finance Office. They will forward onto the Banks for those who do not wish to use Internet Banking to set up their SO. If you have not received an envelope giving details of this initiative and would like one, please email the Office.

Thank you for your support for this initiative.

CAFOD

Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict

DIOCESAN MISSION APPEAL

The Mission Appeal is a second collection parish appeal to support the mission activity support services within our Diocese. There are four key priorities to The Mission Appeal, which are: ● Youth Ministry ● Social Action • Catholic Education • Evangelisation and Outreach. The Mission Appeal aims to raise awareness of the support available, encourage participation in the mission activities and raise funds to offset the current costs of these support functions. The Mission Appeal lasts for three weeks, although only one weekend is a collection weekend. Prior to the second collection, information will be shared about the vision of our Diocese and will highlight the work our Diocese is doing to support the four key areas listed above. This year's theme for the Bishop's Mission Appeal is **Go and Make Disciples of All Nations**. The Mission Appeal is an annual diocesan appeal to strengthen our mission across the Diocese. Your generous gift will enable the continuation of projects designed to bring more people into deeper relationship with Jesus through our four key areas of mission: youth ministry, social action, catholic education and outreach. Please pray for the success of the appeal using the appeal prayer found on the webpage www.northamptondiocese.org/appeal Please pray for the mission of our Church in Northamptonshire, Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire, and that part of Berkshire north of the River Thames. This Weekend please take a mission appeal envelope and a brochure, so you can find out more and become a part of the diocesan mission appeal. Please return mission appeal envelopes next weekend.

HOUSE BLESSING

I continue to work through the list of those who have requested their house to be blessed. If you wish to add your name to the list, please speak to me. Fr. Shyju.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Friday after the 9.30am Mass until 10.30am, we have the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction. Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament makes our life in union with Jesus. We also hold silent adoration on weekdays from 8.30am, prior to Holy Mass. You are most welcome to join-in.

ROSARY EVENING AT HIGH WYCOMBE

You are invited to join in a beautiful, peaceful evening of rosary, litany, reading and music on Wednesday, 28th June, at 7.30pm at St. Augustine's Church, Amersham Hill, High Wycombe, HP13 6NZ.

FOODBANK

Thank you for your generous help, but please continue to donate as the need is great. There are boxes for your donations at the back of each Church. The Foodbank's June Shopping List says the items urgently needed are:

Food (Urgent): tinned fruit, tinned fish, tinned carrots, sponge puddings, pasta sauce and tea. Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED

Toiletries & Basic Items (Urgent): washing up liquid, deodorant, shampoo, shaving foam/gel.