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SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2023 – TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

SUNDAY MESSAGE	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
Peter was sincerely making an effort to follow Christ. Using the parable of the unforgiving servant Jesus tells us of the need to forgive others as God forgives us. The parable also teaches that only those who ask for God's mercy are capable of being merciful too. The proud do not ask for forgiveness and do not forgive. Forgiveness has no boundaries. Fr. Shyju	Datchet	Sat 16	06.00pm	Patrick Corcoian RIP
	Eton	Sun 17	09.30am	Lipscomb Family Int
	Datchet	Sun 17	11.00am	Margaret & Peter Bartlett RIP
	Datchet	Mon 18	09.30am	Jesselyn Philips
	Datchet	Tue 19	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Datchet	Wed 20	NO MASS	
	Datchet	Thu 21	09.30am	Private Intention
	Datchet	Fri 22	09:30am	Holy Souls
Rosary: 9.10am Weekdays prior to the Holy Mass	Confession: Any Weekdays after the Mass or by appointment			
Benediction: Every Friday after 9.30am Mass. Blessed Sacrament Adoration: Weekdays before the Mass 8.30am				

TEA/COFFEE will be held in St. Augustine's Hall after the 11am Mass on Sunday.

OFFERTORY: 09 / 10 September 2023: Cash £401 S/Os £120*.

 st This will be revised once we have received information from the Diocese about newly established SOs.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend there will be a second collection taken at Masses for Evangelii Gaudium, formerly known as Home Mission Sunday. The Mission Directorate (for England and Wales) has produced a series of videos on the four Constitutions which reflect on the Liturgy, the Word of God, the Church and its role in the modern world. Please support the Mission Directorate through prayer and giving to this second collection. Whatever you donate will go directly to support this important work to bring the joy of the Gospel to all.

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, Sheila Jones 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.

MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to request a mass to be said for a loved one, or someone whose anniversary occurs at this time, please complete one of the Mass Intention envelopes, which can be found at the back of the Church.

PARISH PATRONS' DAY

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all who joined their hands together to celebrate our Patrons' Day at Datchet and Eton. Though the actual feast days were on 28 August and 15 September, we celebrated both feast days in our combined gathering on 10 September. My special thanks go to the Parish Council team members, the food committee, altar servers, choir, and others who through their efforts made it a joyful event for all. May God bless you all.

Fr. Shyju

DIOCESAN MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES: The annual Mass for Married couples will take place on **Saturday 30 September** at **12noon** in Northampton Cathedral. Bishop David will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral and give his pastoral blessing to those couples celebrating significant milestones in their marriage, e.g. 1, 10, 20, 30, 40, or 50 years etc. If you know of anyone who is celebrating such a milestone anniversary, please contact Sam at mfl@northamptondiocese.org or 07824 386804.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITES: Bishop David Oakley and Priests will celebrate a Mass for those with disabilities, their parents, carers and friends on **Sunday 8 October** at **3pm** in the Northampton Cathedral. For further information, please contact Sean Ballantyne <u>Ballantynes2000@yahoo.co.uk</u> If you need free transport to the Cathedral please contact the office at Holy Family, Langley Parish 01753 543770.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DATCHET: A prayer meeting was held recently on 7 September at The Bridge in Datchet. The dates of future monthly meetings at The Bridge are displayed on the noticeboards in each Church. The prayer meeting lasts approximately 30 minutes. Please come along and join in. It's a great way to meet together with others in our local community.

ROSARY EVENING IN SEPTEMBER: You are invited to join in a beautiful, peaceful evening of rosary, litany, reading, music and prayer ministry on **Wednesday 27 September** at **7.30pm** at St. Augustine's, Amersham Hill, High Wycombe, HP13 6NZ.

A TIME FOR LISTENING: As our diocese continues to respond to the call of Pope Francis to be a synodal Church, our diocesan safeguarding office would like to invite you to a morning reflecting on the impact of Church-related abuse and how we, as a community can respond. Join them at Holy Ghost Catholic Church Parish Centre in Luton, LU48JD on **Saturday 14 October** from **10.30am** - 1.00pm. It is intended that opportunities for synodal listening will be offered in other locations throughout our diocese in 2024. Email <u>safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org</u> or call 07833 050628 for further details.

'THE BIG QUIZ NIGHT': Datchet Baptist Church is once again joining in 'The Big Quiz Night' organised by Tearfund – the Christian relief and development agency. The Big Quiz takes place at 7pm for a 7.30pm start on Saturday 21 October, at Datchet Baptist Church. You may form a team (of up to 8) or go along as an individual. Ticket cost per person is £10, which includes refreshments.

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 16 October 2023 (for 4 nights): We have received information about this pilgrimage. The cost is £699 per person sharing with a single supplement of £150. The price includes the flight, all transfers, accommodation with full board in Knock House Hotel for 4 nights. All entertainment and excursions are included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre and National Museum. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

The need for donations of food and toiletries for the Slough Foodbank remains great. Please try and donate items to the Foodbank on a regular basis. Boxes for donations can be found in each Church.

Thank you.

The Foodbank's <u>September</u> Shopping List says the items needed are:

Food

<u>Urgent</u>: tinned spaghetti, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, long life fruit juice, tinned carrots, long-life sponge puddings, long-life rice puddings / custard, cooking sauces, tea

Always required: long-life milk, instant mash

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED

Toiletries & Basic Items

<u>Urgent</u>: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, toothbrushes, size 5 nappies

Always required: toilet rolls, strong carrier bags