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TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) – 28 SEPTEMBER 2025

| SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU | WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES | | | |
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| As we listen to the Gospel this weekend, we hear about the lives of Lazarus and the rich man and how we are rich sometimes with the skills and talents that we have in our lives. We very often do not share them with others. Sometimes we are possessive! The rich man didn't do any harm to the needy in front of his house, but the sin he committed before God was that of ignoring Lazarus during his life. We too may ignore people, thinking that they may become burdensome. But Christianity is always about caring and loving. Let us reach out to the needy around us. | Datchet | Sat 27 | 06.00pm | Fr Sean Rynn RIP |
| | Eton | Sun 28 | 09.30am | Ursula Badger RIP |
| | Datchet | Sun 28 | 11.00am | Margaret Sabat RIP |
| | Datchet | Mon 29 | 09.30am | Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael |
| | Datchet | Tue 30 | No Mass | |
| | Datchet | Wed 01 | 09.30am | Jesse Grey & Alan Taylor RIP |
| | Datchet | Thu 02 | 09.30am | Holy Guardian Angels |
| | Datchet | Fri 03 | No Mass | |
| | Datchet | Sat 04 | 06.00pm | Margarita Herrera RIP |
| ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass. | CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment | | | |
| BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass | EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Suspended until Friday 10 October 2025 | | | |

TEA & COFFEE will be available on Sunday after the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows, Eton and after the 11.00am Mass at St. Augustine's, Datchet.

OFFERTORY: 20/21 September: Cash £222 SOs £210.

SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN NEXT WEEKEND FOR CAFOD

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Madleen Magic, Terri Nicoll, Tricia Rice, Elaine Shaw and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

PARISH MISSION: As a part of my preaching ministry, I will be away in Punjab and Delhi from Monday 29 September until Thursday 09 October. Fr. Ken Bowen from Marlow has kindly agreed to officiate at Parish Masses until my return.

Fr. Shyju

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: The numbers attending the Saturday Vigil Mass have decreased. Therefore from this month, there will NOT be a REGULAR Vigil Mass in Datchet on Saturday evenings. Please check the above table of Weekend & Weekdays Holy Mass Times in our printed newsletter or on the Newsletter page of the Parish website, for information as to when the Vigil Mass will be held.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DATCHET will hold their monthly prayer meeting on **Thursday 02 October** at **7.45pm** until 8.15pm in The Bridge, The Green, Datchet SL3 9JH.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – FRIDAY 03 OCTOBER: This Family Fast Day, CAFOD is highlighting its work in Ethiopia, where communities face severe climate challenges. Donations will fund vital water infrastructure projects. CAFOD also continues to respond to urgent needs in the Holy Land, Ukraine and Sudan through trusted local Church partners. Please support CAFOD's appeal and be signs of hope in this Jubilee Year. Your support enables practical assistance for our most vulnerable brothers and sisters worldwide.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – 11am MASS, SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER: There will be a Liturgy for Children (aged from 4 years up to their attendance at First Holy Communion classes) held at St. Augustine's Church during the 11am Mass on Sunday 12 October. Children will be with their family at the start of the Mass and will then be invited to leave to join their Liturgy group, which will be held in the Jubilee Room. They will rejoin their families later in the Mass. Fr. Shyju would like all parents from Eton & Datchet come to this Mass with their Children.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025/26: If your Son or daughter is in year 9 or above and wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026, they need to register their interest as soon as possible. Parents/carers, please email your details to the Holy Family Parish Pastoral Coordinator, Mr. Kieran McKeown at: Kieranmckeown50@yahoo.co.uk Candidates will meet together in **November** for an introduction to the programme. This will be held in Holy Family Church, Langley.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Parents and Grandparents, do you have a child in Year Three or Four? Has your child made their First Holy Communion? If they haven't and you would like them to join our Parish's programme in **January**, please speak to Fr. Shyju or Anne Cannon. Classes will be held **on Sundays at 10am** in the Jubilee Room, St. Augustine's. After the class children will attend the 11am Mass in St. Augustine's, as this is an essential part of the programme.

VOLUNTEERS FOR DATCHET: We need more volunteers to assist with Masses in the Datchet church e.g. Choir or Readers. You are most welcome to have a chat with Fr. Shyju if you are considering helping.

SOUTHERN INDIAN ORPHANAGE SUPPORT : Maggie Waller and her husband are visiting the orphanage they support in October. They are seeking to raise funds to take with them and buy essentials for the children. Any donation, however small, would be welcome. <https://app.collectionpot.com/pot/3378985?>

THE 100 CLUB – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The 100 Club draw for three £100 prizes (July, August and September 2025) will be made this Sunday 28 September.

Thank you to the current members of The 100 Club who have replied to the letter they were sent two weeks ago. All but two, current members have replied.

86% of the replies received were in favour of becoming members of The *new* 100 Club.

The *new* 100 Club is registered with the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead as a Small Society Lottery. Conditions include: Payment must be made before entry into the Draw is allowed. At least 20% of the proceeds must be applied to the purposes of the GOOD CAUSE.

- The **Ticket price** for entry into The *new* 100 Club will be **£52**, but must be made in full before it commences.
- At least 20% of the proceeds of The current 100 Club have been paid to our Parish. Of the replies received from those who were in favour of becoming members of The *new* 100 Club, the preferences as to which GOOD CAUSE should be supported were: 33% our Parish, 42% SVP Slough (Slough Central Conference), 8% Slough Foodbank, and 17% expressed no preference. Therefore the **GOOD CAUSE** supported by The *new* 100 Club will be the **SVP (Society of St. Vincent de Paul) Slough Central Conference**.
- Additionally, of the replies received from those who were in favour of becoming members of The *new* 100 Club, 61% supported that a winning ticket in one Quarter would be **included in draws in the following Quarters**.
- The Draws for The *new* 100 Club will be made **FOUR** times a year in the last month of each Quarter, that is December, March, June and September. The date of the Draw will be given in the Parish Newsletter.
- Each of the **FOUR** Draws will have **THREE** £100 prizes.
- There will need to be a **minimum of 30 Tickets sold** for The *new* 100 Club to proceed. If you would like to buy a **TICKET** or you have any queries about this matter, please contact Pamela Bailey via: office.staugustinedatchet@northamptondiocese.org **before Thursday 09 October**. **DO NOT MAKE PAYMENT** until you have received further information from Pamela.

Thank you. Kind Regards – Pamela Bailey



PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding.

Always required: tea, long life sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat.

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

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8.

Always required: soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags.