

**The Parish of**  
**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE**  
**CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD**

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**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: YEAR C**  
**16<sup>th</sup> October**

**BE CONFIDENT IN YOUR PRAYING**

Today, Jesus is politely telling us that we are weak pray-ers.

But he also gives us the remedy for our weakness.

This parable comes after a conversation he had with some Pharisees.

In that conversation, they asked him when the Kingdom of God would finally come.

Jesus probably detected impatience behind that question,  
as if they were criticizing God for being careless or lazy.

We can relate to that kind of impatience.

We can tend to give up on God too easily.

We approach God with less confidence than this determined widow had  
in approaching a crooked judge.

Behind the words of our prayer lurks a subtle tendency to doubt God.

We think that just because he doesn't answer us in the way we expect him to,  
he isn't answering us at all.

That shows a lack of faith, a truncated vision of God.

Today Jesus is reminding us that we should have unlimited faith and confidence in God.

No prayer that we utter goes unheard.

God is never out of his office; he's never on vacation.

He is longing for us to bombard him with our prayers.

He is eagerly searching for hearts that trust him enough  
to ask him unceasingly for everything they need.

He always answers our prayers, even when the answer is "no".

Because God is our Father, all-wise, all-loving, and all-powerful,  
there should be no limit to our confidence in him.

And so, as St Luke tells us, we should "pray always without becoming weary."

Being constant in our prayer, just like the widow with her petitions to the judge,

just like Moses interceding for victory in the battle against the Amalekites:

constant in thanksgiving, constant in repentance, constant in praise,  
and constant in bringing to God every need that comes our way.

Constancy built on confidence – that is the path to becoming better pray-ers.

### **RCIA JOURNEY IN FAITH REGISTRATION 2022/23**

Applications are now being welcomed for the Journey in Faith course This is a wonderful opportunity for those wishing to know more about Catholicism (whether new to the church or life-long Catholic) to learn about the Church, its teachings, and its practices.

Classes are held on a Tuesday evening and run until Easter 2023.

### **HOLY SPIRIT PARISHIONER MEETING**

Holy Spirit Church meeting will be held next this Saturday (15th October) after Mass, for those who regularly attend, to discuss the way forward for our community.

### **STEW & SQUASH COLLECTION**

The Church of the Holy Spirit is collecting Stew and Squash for the St Wilfrids Centre. A box will be placed in the church porch for any donations.

### **ST MARYS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL VACANCIES**

Would you like to work in our wonderful primary school?

We are looking for caring, flexible and conscientious individuals who can display total commitment to the principles of inclusion.

We are seeking to appoint qualified and experienced Learning Support Assistants who work with pupils with SEND.

We have the following temporary vacancies:

*Learning Support Assistant - 20hrs Grade 7-Point 8 to 11 required for October 2022*

*Learning Support Assistant - 25hrs Grade 7-Point 8 to 11 required for October 2022*

Follow this link to our website for more information:

[www.st-marys.derbyshire.sch.uk/vacancy](http://www.st-marys.derbyshire.sch.uk/vacancy)

### **THANKYOU FROM YOUR SVP**

The collections taken on Sept 24/25th came to a total of £1430, for which we are very grateful. This will help us to support our work in the difficult months ahead. Thanks to everyone who donated so generously – we will remember you in our prayers. For those who asked about donating on-line direct into our Conference Bank Account, the details are:

Account Name: SVP Padley Martyrs

Sort Code: 60-60-04

Acc no. 460 877 02

### **WEDDINGS 2023**

We already have a number of weddings booked in for next year.

If you are engaged and wanting to be married in one of our churches next year, please contact the Parish Office before the end of the month to arrange a meeting in order that we may begin the process of filling in the pre-nuptial paperwork

### **CHESTERFIELD FOOD BANK**

A box for regular donations to the Chesterfield Foodbank is placed at the back of the Annunciation church.

We have been asked to focus on the items most urgently needed: long-life fruit juice, long-life FULL FAT milk and small packets of tea.

If you are unable to bring donations to church, please call/text us to arrange collection.

Many thanks for your continuing generosity,

Lisa Eustace (07583 391823) & Mary Platts (07542 140163)

## **NOVEMBER DEAD LIST**

November is the month in which we remember our faithful departed: each year the Dead-List is laid upon the Altar Mensa throughout the month so that we may pray for the repose of their souls. Please submit any names in an envelope clearly marked 'Dead List' together with your offering.

Further to the November Dead List, this year we will be remembering those close to us who have died during the Covid-19 pandemic (from whatever cause), especially those who were denied a 'normal' funeral due to the various restrictions. We invite parishioners to bring photographs of their loved ones (preferably framed) to the 10.00am Mass on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at the Annunciation Church and the Mass will be offered for the souls of those deceased.

## **JUMBLE SALE**

There may not be any jumble sales until next Spring but we are very-much in need of items for when the sales do return: Clothes, shoes, toys and bric-a-brac. Donations can be brought to church whilst the hall is out of use, but please do notify Chris Payne (01246 229517) ahead of depositing any items so that they are not left to clutter the church

## **ST JOSEPH'S LITTLE SCHOLARS TODDLER GROUP**

St. Joseph's are looking to start the toddler group up again.

Little Scholars Toddler group would like to start 03/11/2022 9.15-11.15am and then continue weekly in term time, only.

We desperately need some volunteers to help run this group.

Please contact Miss Jessie on 01246/232392 or stjosephsmanager@gmail.com if you think you would be able to help.

## **RED MISSIO BOXES**

Can parishioners who hold these boxes please return them to their respective church as soon as possible - This does not apply to those who only received boxes in July this year...unless they particularly need emptying!

## **CHURCH TOILETS**

Due to the ongoing refurbishment works in the Annunciation Parish Centre, the hall toilets are presently not in use (they're actually a pile of rubble). There is a temporary portaloo in the car park but it is only for one person at a time.

We therefore ask that, where possible, you 'pay a visit' before leaving home and young children take a 'tactical try!' We apologise for any inconvenience but assure you of much better facilities upon the hall's completion.

## **EXPRESSIVE WORSHIP EVENT**

There will be an expressive worship event at Holy Family themed:

*Hallowed Be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom Come*

*(When Our Praises gets to the Father, His Blessings Comes Down)*

*Text: Luke 11:2*

Venue: Holy Family Parish Hall, Derby Road, Chesterfield  
Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 1:00pm - 4:00pm – All Welcome!

**There will be a retiring collection after all Masses this weekend of  
in aid of  
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

**LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b> <i>St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr</i>	12.00noon Annunciation	Thanksgiving Intention
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October</b> <i>St Luke, Evangelist</i>	12.00noon Annunciation	Pauline Langen
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b>	12.00noon Annunciation  <i>5.00pm Annunciation</i>	Simon James Walker  <i>Reception of Andrew Langen</i>
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>11.00am Annunciation</b>	<b>Requiem Mass for Andrew Langen</b>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October</b>	9.00am Annunciation  <i>11.00am</i>	Winnie Smith  <i>Wedding service of Andrew &amp; Catherine</i>
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	5.00pm Holy Spirit  <i>5.00pm Holy Family</i>  6.30pm Holy Family	Private Intention  <i>Holy Hour</i>  John Watts
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>  <b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C</b>	8.30am Annunciation  10.00am Annunciation  <i>3.00pm Holy Family</i>  5.00pm Annunciation	Danuta Harrington  People of the Parish  <i>Polish Mass</i>  The Gibbons Family