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All Masses are now live-streamed.
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Mass on Friday is behind closed doors

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday, 26th September 2021 Psalter Week 2 Cycle B

Saturday (Vigil)	6.00 pm	Well-being Chester & Allison
Sunday 26 Sept	8.30 am	Martin Eames RIP
	10.30 am	Stephen Tempany RIP
Wednesday	10.00 am	Well-being Desi & Steve
Friday behind closed doors	10.00 pm	All Parishioners

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday 3rd October Psalter Week 3 Cycle B

Saturday (Vigil)	6.00 pm	Private Intention
Sunday 03 Oct	8.30 am	Sean McCabe RIP
	10.30 am	James Cusack RIP
Wednesday	10.00 am	Leo King RIP
Friday behind closed doors	10.00 am	All Parishioners
Saturday (Vigil)	6.00 pm	Mary, Felix & Vincent Edwardson RIP
Sunday 10 Oct	8.30 am	Dec'd relatives and friends – Davies Family
	10.30 am	Theresa & Valentina Lim RIP

FEAST DAYS: 26TH SEPTEMBER – 2ND OCTBER
Monday: St Vincent de Paul
Wednesday: Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
Thursday: St Jerome, Priest and Doctor
Friday: St Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Saturday: The Holy Guardian Angels

ANNIVERSARIES: 26TH SEPTEMBER – 2ND OCTBER
Terence Wright, Eileen ?Ward, John Hennessy, Klemens van der Linden, Carmen Vella, John Abbot, George Henn, Catherine Reilly, Albert Holland

COFFEE AFTER 10.30 MASS
03/10/2010 – CAFOD Family Fast Day

FEAST DAYS: 3RD OCTOBER – 9TH OCTOBER
Monday: St Francis of Assisi
Thursday: Our Lady of the Rosary
Saturday: St John Henry Newman

ANNIVERSARIES: 3RD OCTOBER – 9TH OCTOBER
Albert Holland, Herbert Edwin Hall, Ned Mann, Francis Burke,

RECOVERY AND WELL-BEING: Please pray for: Steve Kamm, Chris Williamson, Mary Frost, Maureen O'Sullivan, Jocelyn Bowen, Joseph Ewing and Maritina Savage, Jimmy Finn.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL: Last Sunday Bishop Richard, in his Pastoral Letter, spoke about concern in this Bill. For more information - Bishops' Conference England and Wales: www.cbcew.org.uk/life-issues or Diocesan e-news - www.abdiocese.org.uk.

MNISSIO BOXES (RED BOXES): Please return for emptying.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD has resumed in the hall at the 10.30 am Mass. If you would like to join the team of volunteers please contact Tammy, tel 07763 692967 or Anne, tel 07738 256 0838

COFFEE MORNINGS: **Wednesdays** – Coffee after 10.00am Mass will recommence this week, 29 September, Thanks to Sally Mason. **Sundays 10.30** -. Refreshments will commence on Sunday, **03 October provided by CAFOD** for "Family Fast Day".
Due to the fact that only a few people are able to help provide coffee, it may not be possible for refreshments to be available every week. The **10 October refreshments will be provided by Ahu Guray to raise funds for African Vision Malawi**. Refreshments will be provided for the first four weeks of October, but after that there is a few of gaps..

CAFOD: Our local experts are helping people all over the world to adapt to climate change. By donating to CAFOD this Family Fast Day you can help communities affected by thec limate crisis. Donate online via the CAFOD website or use a CAFOD envelope or debit or credit card after Mass next week. You can easily give via text. Text CAFOD10 to 70580 to donate £10*. Or choose to give any whole amount between £1 and £20 by texting CAFOD, followed by the amount you would like to donate, to 70580.*Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text CAFODNOINFO to 70580. For more information, please see our Privacy Policy: cafod.org.uk/privacy. **Tea and coffee will be provided after 10.30 Mass on Sunday 3 October and we will be selling fresh produce from the parish garden – all donations will go towards the appeal.**

SEPTEMBER 200 CLUB WINNERS: Charlotte Gregory N0.165 £30 Teresa Weeks No.147 £20 Congratulations!

REFLECTIONS: **26th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
The mission of healing and saving humanity and the world is not the sole responsibility of the disciples or, in today's world of clergy, or of Catholics. It is a mission that is entrusted to everyone. Jesus does not want to close the circle around him. As long as healing and reconciliation are taking place. Jesus does not draw boundaries. His followers are called to cooperate with all those in the world who are promoting human dignity assisting those who are vulnerable and taking responsibility for building a more just world.

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time
In a community gathered for Mass there are a thousand untold stories. We rejoice with those of y0u enjoying the ups and downs of life in stable and happy marriages and pray that the Lord will continue to strengthen you and bless your homes and families. For those of you who are struggling to cope with the aftermath of divorce or separation, who find yourselves in far-from perfect circumstances of one kind or another, we hope and pray that you discover in this community the understanding and compassionate face of Christ. For him, no situation is beyond redemption.

study, of recreation and tranquillity. It is perhaps easier to see their beauty now than in their original inception. But their value to us is not just as a pretty addendum to the work which was their original intent; they too have served a purpose, they have carried us along to this moment of our own. We cannot always see the endgame of our endeavours, and perhaps that is a good thing. The unexpected stranger-angel is often well disguised.

Closer by my urban hermitage, another canal path runs alongside the commercial warehouses and workshops of the city. These industrial landscapes are not to everyone's taste, but there is an undeniable form and dignity in their stark architecture, their massive utilitarian girders, their begrimed and blackening sheds. There is beauty here, too, if we can see it.

SECRET GRACE

Appreciating the secret grace of these spaces does not belittle the grief and the heartache with which they are often protested. Not every project is a prudent or compassionate use of resources, and we need to guard against wielding our creative arm for vain or nefarious or selfish purposes. But even the worst things we do may have hidden within them a grace note of redemption: the least auspicious of projects and schemes, no matter how flawed at their inception, might eventually deliver to us an angel.

For more information on the Season of Creation: https://seasonofcreation.org

Mass text

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty
of your mercy.

FIRST READING **Numbers 11:25-29**

PSALM **Psalm 18**

RESPONSE The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. R.

2. The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. R.

3. So in them your servant finds instruction;
great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. R.

4. From presumption restrain your servant
and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless,
clean from grave sin. R.

SECOND READING **James 5:1-6**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
Remember your word to your servant,
O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Next Sunday's Readings:
Genesis 2:18-24
Hebrews 2:9-11
Mark 10:2-16

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ANGELS

A few years ago I spent my exercise for a couple of summers walking the Cuckoo Way – a long-distance footpath in England from Gainsborough to Chesterfield, following the towpath of the 240-year-old Chesterfield Canal. The path derives its name from the "cuckoos" or narrow boats which used the waterway for transport of goods and materials. The canal stopped functioning commercially in the 1950s and has since been reclaimed by nature, with renovation work in recent years to make it more accessible for recreation. At the same time as I was walking, the national media were consumed with a very heated debate about the possibility of a massive infrastructure project, likely to improve transport links, but also to cut vast swathes through the British countryside.

It was an interesting juxtaposition. Down by the canal all was calm and tranquil, nature was flourishing, people were relaxed and quietly enjoying themselves; in parts it was wondrously beautiful. Just one hundred years ago it would have been busy, noisy, and polluted with coal and oil fumes: a melee of commerce and industry. One hundred years before that it would have been a building site – a place of confusion, mud, danger and disruption. The parallels with the construction project currently under consideration were quite striking.

I was reminded of the story of St Cuthbert and the angel. St Bede tells us that one day in winter, Cuthbert welcomed a young stranger to the monastery. Cuthbert warmed the young man and helped him to wash and tidy himself after his journeying, then left to go and fetch him some warm bread from the oven next door: "When he came back the youth had vanished. At the door there was a wonderfully fragrant odour coming from three loaves, unusually white and fine. Trembling, Cuthbert said to himself, 'Now I know that it was an angel'."

We treasure the building sites of yesteryear – the excavations of Roman forts, the ruins of medieval castles, the industrial heritage of our canals and mills, our beautiful churches and cathedrals built throughout the ages. These once noisy, dirty, brutal or chaotic places have often become oases of relaxation and quiet

Season of Creation

During September we celebrate the Season of Creation: "a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together". Rachel Denton is a diocesan hermit and has written these pieces from her urban hermitage, which is dedicated to St Cuthbert.

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YEAR B

DIVINE OFFICE WEEK II

This fruitfulness of community is an image and manifestation of the self-expression of the Trinity. God spoke the word – and the whole of creation came into being. It is as if the ecstasy of the Trinitarian relationship is unable to contain itself and must explode outwards in creative delight. Our existence and all creation around us bursts out of the joy of the community of the Trinity.

FRUITS OF TOGETHERNESS

Many of us have opportunities during our lifetime to make community with one or more people, to share in the creative work of the community of the Trinity. Maybe through projects with young people, or homeless people; through nursing care and campaigning groups; in orchestras and allotments; in parishes and on pilgrimage. When we join with others in our endeavours, that focused togetherness can radiate with an unexpected intensity and Trinitarian fruitfulness which is far more than the sum of our parts. Indeed it is a reliable sign of flourishing communities when, secure in their stability and commitment to each other, they are able to turn outwards and offer the fruits of their togetherness way beyond their own boundaries and limitations.

For more information on the Season of Creation: https://seasonofcreation.org

Mass text

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING Genesis 2:18-24

PSALM Psalm 127

RESPONSE May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
   By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
   You will be happy and prosper. R.

2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;
   your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. R.

3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.
   May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem
   all the days of your life!
   May you see your children's children.
   On Israel, peace! R.

SECOND READING Hebrews 2:9-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia, alleluia!
As long as we love one another
God will live in us
and his love will be complete in us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 10:2-16

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
Though many, we are one bread, one body,
for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice.

Next Sunday's Readings:
Wisdom 7:7-11
Hebrews 4:12-13
Mark 10:17-30

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SUNDAY BULLETIN

THINKING FAITH

COMMUNITY

One of the ways in which some people participate most intimately in God's continuing work of creation is through the conception of new life within the sacrament of marriage. In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of marriage as a very particular union, so that "they are no longer two, therefore, but one body", and the Church recognises the potential fecundity of such commitment as a sacred gift, sharing in God's creative work. At its most fundamental, the community of one person with another is creative in the form of new life.

But children are not the only fruit of marriage. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* speaks also of the fruits of charity, hospitality and sacrifice. These are universal fruits, but each couple will also have the potential to be fruitful together in a myriad of ways, both domestic and social, that are quite particular to them.

As a hermit, I am inspired by the community of marriage, without being able to offer any insights into the living of it. But I do have some wonderful experiences of the community of friendship, as did St Cuthbert. Monastic communities are often held to be places of great hospitality and welcome – they certainly were considered so in Cuthbert's day when travel was long, slow and difficult. Travellers came to rely on them as refuges on their journeys.

The picture shows Cuthbert arriving at the Melrose Monastery to begin his life with the community there. He is welcomed by the prior, Boisil. St Bede tells us: "Foreseeing in spirit what an illustrious man the stranger would become, Boisil made this single remark to the bystanders: 'Behold a servant of the Lord!'" Cuthbert and Boisil became very good friends, and there is another delightful image of Cuthbert perched on the edge of Boisil's deathbed as they study the Gospel of John together during the last week of Boisil's life. Cuthbert was committed to Boisil through community living and through friendship – another expression of God's fecundity as their friendship bore fruit in their learning, in the governance of the monastery and in Cuthbert's flourishing in his own spiritual path.

Season of Creation

Over the last few weeks, we have been celebrating the Season of Creation as "a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together". Today is the last Sunday of the season and we refer back to the source of all creativity – the community of the Trinity. Rachel Denton is a diocesan hermit and has written these pieces from her urban hermitage, which is dedicated to St Cuthbert.

3 OCTOBER 2021

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DIVINE OFFICE WEEK III