



# Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11 October 2020



The Church's year is drawing to a close: in a few weeks we will be thinking very clearly about the end of time - but here we have a preview. The parable of the banquet is a link between the Gospels of recent weeks (which have as their theme: 'Just who is going to be saved?') and the looking forward to the end times which will follow. The big danger is complacency: we are baptised, we go to Church, we've got our invites to the wedding. But when the big day comes, will we be ready for it? Or will our thoughts be on the other things of life? Jesus speaks of himself as the Bridegroom, and today points out to the chosen people that they are in danger of missing the celebration. Our faith is that the Bridegroom will come again; let us be careful that the same parable is not addressed to us.

**Marriage Matters: *Add another stitch:*** God our Father invites us all to His great wedding feast in heaven! In living out our married life, we have been making our wedding garments! It is woven, sewn and stitched with all the little acts of loving kindness, long forgotten, the courtesies in every little action we show toward each other, our children, family and friends.

**Think Vocation:** We are all called to holiness; we are called to be saints. Every state in life must be focused on weaving the garment of grace necessary to enter the banquet of the Kingdom of Heaven.

This Week	Masses / Services
Sunday - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - <i>Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families</i> - <i>Collection for CAFOD (Harvest Fast Day)</i>	<p><b>Our churches have now re-opened and parishioners are welcome to join us for the following services:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>St Luke</b></p> <p>Sunday Masses: Sat 6.30pm &amp; Sun 9.30am Monday to Friday 9.30am Mass No Wednesday 6.30pm Mass this week <i>All Masses from St Luke are live-streamed</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ss Peter &amp; Paul</b></p> <p>Sunday Masses: 8am &amp; 11am Monday only: 11.30-11.55am Private Prayer &amp; Adoration Monday 12noon Mass; Thursday 6.30pm Mass Saturday 12noon Mass</p> <p><b>Government guidelines require people attending places of worship to wear a face mask (unless exempt for some reason)</b></p>
Monday – Weekday or St Wilfrid	
Tuesday – Weekday or St Edward the Confessor	
Wednesday – Weekday or St Callistus the First	
Thursday – St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)	
Friday – Weekday or St Hedwig or St Margaret Mary Alacoque	
Saturday – St Ignatius of Antioch	
Sunday - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – <i>World Mission Sunday - Collection for Missio</i>	

**Prayer During the Pandemic:** O God, our refuge and our shield, even when we walk in the shadow of death you are there at our side. Be with your people in this time of danger: bring strength to the afflicted and protection to those untouched by disease. Give us love and courage that we may trust in your power to save and reach out to all who need our care. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Act of Spiritual Communion:** My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

**Sick:** All those who are suffering from the coronavirus and others who are sick at this time, including, Robert Livesey, Nuala Corridan, Tomas Cusack, John Ainsworth, Emily Martin (a sick child), Marie Campbell, David Pickup, Sue Remmer.

**Lately Dead:** All who have died of the coronavirus and others who have died recently; Margaret Greer, Eugene Rafferty, Dana Baniel, Sister Alphonsus, Patrica Elvidge, Michael Wood, Laura Walsh, Mary Manning, Pat Ditchfield, Julie Webster, Michael Kelly, Eileen Maguire, Doris Twiss, Vera Gedvilas, Stan Ollieuz, Barry Welsh.

**Anniversaries:** Isabelle Lyons

**Masses Received:** Julie Webster (Lately Dead), Lesley Rees (Sick), Isabelle Lyons (Anniversary), Alan Roberts, Deceased members of our parish, Deceased members of the Sloyan & Roberts families, Kitty Basha (Birthday Remembrance), Stan Ollieuz (Lately Dead), Barry Welsh (Lately Dead), George White.

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Let us pray for the people of the parish of St Edward, Lees, for Mgr John Marsland, their parish priest, and Fr Callum Brown and for their parish primary school.

### Canon David Ryder

Fr David will be leaving our parish on Tuesday to take up his new appointment as the Hospital Chaplain in Blackburn. We thank him for the contribution he has made here over these past two years, and we assure him of our prayers and best wishes as he returns full-time to hospital ministry.

### Churches Reopened for Public Worship

There is absolutely no pressure on anyone to begin coming to church until they feel comfortable doing so. Please remember that **the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is currently suspended**, so there are plenty of Masses spread right across the week for those who wish to come, as well as opportunities for private prayer. Please observe **social distancing of 2 metres** and **wear a face mask** (unless exempt for some reason).

### Baptisms at the Present Time

If you are hoping to arrange a baptism, please contact the priests by email [priests@ourladyofhope.org.uk](mailto:priests@ourladyofhope.org.uk) or phone on 0161 736 2696 and they will explain the necessary preparation and assist you in your planning.

### New Weekday Mass Times

With Fr David's departure, we need to establish a new pattern of weekday Mass times that Fr Michael and Fr Mark can sustain whilst also fulfilling the other responsibilities they both have within and beyond the parish. This week's Masses (as listed overleaf) are a mixture of the existing pattern and the new pattern, due to particular circumstances. From next week onwards, the intended pattern will be:

Monday - No Mass in either church  
Tuesday - 6.30pm Mass (St Luke)  
Wednesday - 9.30am Mass (St Luke)  
Thursday - 6.30pm Mass (Ss Peter & Paul)  
Friday - 9.30am Mass (St Luke)  
Saturday - 12noon Mass (Ss Peter & Paul)

**Prisoners' Sunday:** Today and during this annual Prisons Week, we pray for all those connected with the criminal justice system in any way, including all prison staff and families of prisoners, as well as prisoners themselves. Let us pray for social connection and restored relationships and an openness to the generous love of God who longs to draw close to every individual person, treasured and known by name.

**Peter's Pence:** Thank you for the £310.80 given in this special collection last weekend.

**MISSIO:** Next weekend, as we celebrate World Mission Sunday, we will have our annual collection for the organisation which supports the mission of the church in areas of the world where it would otherwise be struggling.

**CAFOD:** Today we are collecting money, following on from the recent Harvest Fast Day, for CAFOD's

particular appeal to help those in other parts of the world who are affected by the coronavirus: *Survive, Rebuild, Heal*. If you are able to gift aid your donation, please use one of the special CAFOD envelopes provided in church. You can also donate online at [www.cafod.org.uk/give](http://www.cafod.org.uk/give) and there is a way of paying by text message. The CAFOD website contains a lot of informative material and, in particular, there is a link to *Prayer and Reflection* with Bishop John Arnold this Sunday, at 7pm. He will talk about Pope Francis' catechesis *Healing the World* as well as the new encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*.

**First Communion:** The children who were part of our Sacramental Programme 2019-2020 are now in the process of celebrating their First Communion. Current restrictions require this to be spread out over a number of Masses rather than happening in one big celebration. Please remember the children and their families in your prayers as they finally celebrate this special occasion some months later than it should have been.

**Catechist Zoom Gathering:** The diocese has organised a gathering with David Wells and colleagues, via zoom, for First Communion catechists, priests, Year 3 staff/RE coordinators on Wednesday 14 October, 7pm until 8.30pm, to explore preparation for First Reconciliation & Holy Communion during the current situation and to share the online/home learning resources which are available. To indicate your wish to take part, please email [formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk) before Tuesday 13 October and you will be sent the link.

**Hope in the Future:** Instead of the printed booklets we had for Stages 1 and 2, the Stage 3 celebration booklet is electronic. It showcases good practice from parishes and deaneries who have responded creatively to 'living the Sunday Eucharist' in these challenging times. It also celebrates all the Formation & Training sessions over the past year, an update on Caritas, The God who Speaks and Home, School, Parish partnership, with links to further resources. <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wpcontent/uploads/Stage-3-CelebrationBooklet.pdf> [ansley@caritassalford.org.uk](mailto:ansley@caritassalford.org.uk)

**Online Laudato Si Weekend Retreat - Your Parish And Your Planet:** A reminder about this previously advertised event which takes place next weekend (16 - 19 October). To attend, please email Sr Margaret Atkins on [margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk](mailto:margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk).

**Cheques:** Just a reminder that all cheques for either church, for Mass intentions, for the 500 Clubs or for special collections, should be made out simply to **Our Lady of Hope**. Thanks.

**Next Week's Newsletter:** Łukasz Łukasiewicz  
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before Wednesday

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