

How easy to take the words of Jesus out of context: "Use money to win you friends," is one of those lines that sounds strange to us outside the context of the parable and the teaching in today's Gospel. Even the parable itself can seem a little strange – is Jesus really recommending that we act like dishonest stewards? No, of course not! The point that reveals this is hidden half way down: "The children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind..." Jesus in a way praises the effort of the dishonest steward, but wishes that it was directed less to worldly things, but to the things of heaven. And this is the message that we are to take: where do we direct our energies – to making money, fame, fortune and success, or to finding "friends in heaven"?

Marriage Matters: Money, money, money...not much changes! Dishonest traders, crippling taxes, money lenders and unpaid debts – things haven't changed much since the time of Amos. Honesty and trust are vital regarding all forms of wealth. Let us ask God for the gift of wisdom when deciding together how to use our money, wealth or scarcity. Dishonesty about money shows lack of trust and often leads to divorce.

Think Vocation: "Praise the Lord, who raises the poor." Many people are inspired by the Gospel message of reaching out to the poor and marginalised. To present yourself at the service of the Church as a priest or Religious can be an opportunity to really make a difference to the lives of people in need. Let us ask ourselves whether we really are sincere in our prayers and generous with our financial contributions.

Masses / Services	St Luke's	Ss Peter & Paul
Sunday - Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - <i>Day of Special Prayer for the Harvest - Appeal and Special Collection for our Parish SVP</i>	Sat Vigil 6:30pm 9:30am Mass	8am & 11am Mass
Monday - St Pius of Pietrelcina	No Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Tuesday – Our Lady of Walsingham	9am Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Wednesday - Weekday	7pm Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Thursday – Weekday or St Cosmos and St Damian	9am Mass	7pm Novena & Mass
Friday - St Vincent de Paul	9am Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Saturday – Weekday or St Wenceslaus or St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions	11.30am Mass followed by Adoration and Confessions	11.30am Confessions followed by 12noon Mass
Sunday - Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sat Vigil 6:30pm 9:30am	8am & 11am Mass

Sick: Julie Webster, Alsie O'Malley, Elsie Pearce, Anne Naughton, Patrick O'Regan, Tony Hickey

Lately Dead: Duncan McKenzie, Maureen Slade

Anniversaries: Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Martin

Masses Received: Terrie Lyons (Birthday Remembrance), In Thanksgiving, For the Church, Wedding Anniversary, For Childless Couples, Family (living and dead), Chris Roberts (Birthday Remembrance), Duncan McKenzie (Lately Dead), Mary O'Sullivan (Anniversary), Thomas Martin (Anniversary), Patrick O'Regan (sick), Tony Hickey (sick), Edith Blacklock, John Blacklock, The intentions of Susan & John Martin, The Second-Saturday Convention.

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Let us pray for the people of the parish of the Sacred Heart and St Anne, Blackburn, and Fr James McCartney, their parish priest, for the Marist Fathers, and the parish primary schools. We pray for the work of THOMAS

Offertory Collection: For the 15 September 2019

The Sunday Mass collection was: **£1,166.51**; Second Collection for Home Mission Sunday was **£321.12**

SVP Awareness: September is the annual month for raising awareness about this organisation and the work that it does to help poor and vulnerable people. Please see the posters in the church porches.

The SVP groups from St Luke and from Ss Peter & Paul are coming together to form one new group for our parish of Our Lady of Hope. This weekend (21/22 September), a representative of our Parish SVP will speak at each of our Masses. They will tell us about their work and appeal for more members. Could you join them? We will have a special collection to support their work. It is St Vincent de Paul's feastday on Friday.

Event held by Salford University Catholic Chaplaincy: All young adults are invited to the following event run by Salford University Catholic Chaplaincy. **P.I.N.T? (People in Need of Truth)** at The Old Pint Pot (M3 6NE), Monday 23 September, 6.30pm - 9.30pm. Inviting all young adults. Guest speaker Fr Joe Evans will answer the question 'Would you Adam and Eve it? Science and the Bible'. There will be live music and burger and a pint for £5.

Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham Diocesan Mass: Our Lady of Dolours Servite Parish, Salford, M7 4ND, on Tuesday 24 September. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop John Arnold. All are welcome. The Rosary will begin at 7pm and Mass will follow at 7.30pm.

Formation Series - Fr Laurence Gambella on Blessed John Henry Newman: Wednesday 25 September, 7pm at St Gabriel's RCHS, Bury, BL6 0TZ. Fr Laurence Gambella will be talking about Blessed John Henry Newman as part of our Formation Series. Refreshments and the opportunity to ask questions will be provided. There is a suggested donation of £5 payable on the door. Register online: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/parishes/events/ or by emailing john.griffin@dioceseofsalford.org.uk (Tel 0161 817 2214).

Churches and the Climate Emergency - 2019 Annual Assembly of Greater Manchester Churches Together, featuring Ruth Valerio from Tearfund, Kate Gray from the URC, John Hughes from the Diocese of Manchester, and Steve Burrowes from CAFOD. Monday 30 September 2019 at Salford Cathedral Centre 5pm - 9pm. Book your free ticket online through Eventbrite. Please see the notice board for details.

Salford Diocese - Project Manager Vacancy: An exciting opportunity has arisen for a Project Manager/Coordinator post (PMC) that will have responsibility for overseeing the coordination and professional management of a number of capital and transformation projects across the Diocese of Salford. We are looking for a commercially aware individual with an ability to manage and coordinate multiple projects, interpret complex information and to offer sound, reliable professional advice. Previous relevant work experience and a degree or professional project management qualification or substantial experience in a similar role will be required. Closing date for applications: 12 noon, Tuesday 1 October 2019. To request an application pack or for more information on this post please contact: Human Resources Manager: Tel 0161-817-2222 Email: personnel@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

There are still tickets available for the **Mikron Theatre Production of "Redcoats"** held at St Peter and Paul on Wednesday 2 October 2019 at 7.30pm. If you have never seen this talented company you are missing a treat! Tickets cost £10 and are available after weekend Masses or ring 736 5768. Proceeds to Parish Funds.

Mass for LGBT Catholics, their friends and families: On Saturday 12 October, Bishop John will be celebrating Mass at the Holy Name in Manchester for members of the LGBT community, their families and friends. The Mass will begin at 3pm. All Welcome. Light refreshments will be available following the Mass.

Sunday 13 October - One World Day – a day to celebrate our heritage, diversity and responsibility for our Common Home.

11am Mass of celebration at SS Peter & Paul with an African Choir

2pm Family Celebration in St Luke's Parish Centre, Art work from the children at St Luke's School, Music, Irish and Indian dancing, Monton Voices Choir, games and shared food from around the world. Please sign the list in the Church Porch if you can provide a dish. So that we have an idea of numbers please get a Family ticket, £1, from members of the Social and Community Groups after Mass. Offers of help most welcome.

SS. Peter and Paul 500 Club

Congratulations to our winners they are as follows:

1st Prize £150.00 Mrs George Gincy (149)
2nd Prize £ 75.00 Peter Carroll (214)
3rd Prize £ 75.00 Dr. Audrey Brassloff (191)

We wish everybody luck in the next draw.

Since beginning at the end of 2017, to 2019 St. Peter and Paul's 500 Club has collected from its Members the total amount of £16,069, resulting in.

Prize Monies totalling £8,034

Donation to the Church of £8,034

That has been put towards the purchase of the New Doors and the maintenance of the Church. This is fantastic, so why not join. Contact Pat on 0161 789 4555 and leave your name and telephone number.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)

Meetings are held weekly at St PP

Thursday 12.30 - 2.00, Saturday 7.45 - 9.15 pm

Meetings last for 1 hour 30 minutes

Yoga Classes: Beginners welcome

St Luke's Parish Centre

Saturdays, 9.30-10.30am.

Claremont Tennis and Social Club

Starting on Tuesday 8th October, 6.30-7.30 pm



Next Week's Newsletter: Jan McIntyre

Please send notices before Wednesday

Email: newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk

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