



**LITURGY**

**First reading:** Kings 4:42-44

**Response to the Psalm:** You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

**Second reading:** Ephesians 4:1-6

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 6:1-15



**Dear Parishioners**

We can't turn fish and loaves into a meal for 5000 people but we can use what we have to help others less fortunate than we are. When we hear of Jesus helping the less fortunate, He is asking us, "What have you done for those in need? Have you left your homes to go to the areas of the community where people may be hungry, where families and children who depend on others for help can find clothing that is donated by many who don't need it any more but whose generosity can make a huge difference to those children whose parents don't have the ability to buy them what they need.

This is what Jesus is saying to all of us today. Instead of just listening to these readings, why not discuss what you can do on the drive home today. Ask your children, "Are there some things you have that you don't need but you think others might look upon your gift as the best piece of clothing they've ever owned.

Instead of leaving Mass and not even thinking of what Jesus did or not realising that His messages and miracles are meant for us to emulate, let the whole family discuss how His message applies to us and how each member of the family can be just like Jesus...give something to someone who needs it more than we do.

Please have the whole family ask the question, "Could we do what Jesus did?" I think He would answer, "Of course. In my name everyone can perform miracles."

**God Bless  
Fr. Benedict OSB**

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**17<sup>th</sup> Week of Year B**

**Week commencing Sunday 28th July 2024**

**Parish Safeguarding: Mrs. Helen Woodhouse**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Helen Woodhouse. She can be contacted at: [sg.stmarys.studley@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmarys.studley@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern

### Masses

Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> July	5.00pm	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Year (B)	Leslie Hedley RIP
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30am	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Year (B)	Zita, Harold & family RIP
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> July			
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> July			Private Intention
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> July		St. Ignatius of Loyola (Mem)	
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug		St. Alphonsus Di Liguori (Mem)	
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug			
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	5.00pm	18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Year (B)	Margaret & Martin Flynn RIP
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	10.30am	18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Year (B)	John Kickham RIP & Kickham Family

Mass is celebrated privately daily except on Monday.

If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery, *please do not place it in the collection bag*. Thank you.

#### Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:

Derek Sollis, Dolores Flynn, Fred Chadfield, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards,, Jill Spurrell, Stan Phipps, Judith Baylis, Jackie Gannon, Mick Sollis, Tim Harrison, Agnes Wilkins.

#### Those who have recently died:

Mary Judith Smith (nee Hewitt), Wyn Varley, Raimondo Gemeli, Anthony Woodhouse, Barbara Woodhouse, Kathleen McLoughlin, Peter McGoldrick, Anthony Roache, Lionel Quigley. Keith John Francis Cotterell, Anna Rose McGoldrick, Mary Baker, Georgette Cowell, Anthony Mathew, John Knox, Bill McCarthy, Mary Phipps, Alan Clatworthy, Abbot Finbar Kealy, Catherine McCallion and all those we have been asked to pray for.

## INFORMATION

### Sunday Coffee

Because of the current situation with regard to the church and conservatory, unfortunately there will be no coffee until the end of September.

### Second Collection

The weekly second collection will normally be for help towards the payment of the diocesan levy and the upkeep of the house and church buildings. Both the church and the house are Grade II listed so any work done has to be to a high standard as set by the requisite authority.

### Mass Intentions

I have recently received an influx of Mass Intentions. Please be patient if your intention has not yet appeared in the bulletin. If you have requested a certain date, I will do my best to comply with your wishes, but Saturday and Sunday Mass Intentions are running through to August!

### New Sunday Missal

The newly translated Sunday Missal will be available from the end of October 2024. The cost is £19.95 for a red hardback edition. The parish will be ordering missals for those who want them. Please complete the form with your details at the back of the church and enclose cash or a cheque made payable to St. Mary's RC Parish for £19.95

### Saturday & Sunday Mass

Until further notice the weekend Masses will take place in the conservatory. I realise this is not ideal, but we have been advised that the roof in the church is unsafe. Your continued support would be most appreciated and be assured we will return to church as quickly as possible. Your safety is my primary concern.