

Reflection for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lost and found

In today's Gospel, St Luke groups three "lost and found stories".

These stories are addressed to the Pharisees and scribes who are complaining about the company that Jesus keeps. Jesus turns the tables on his critics in these stories, painting a picture of a loving and forgiving God, not one concerned with outward good behaviour.

The first two are on a similar theme of looking for something of value to the owner. The lost sheep was of great importance to the owner. It was his livelihood and therefore worth looking for. Not surprisingly he is very pleased to find it and bring it home.

The woman who lost the drachma lost 10% of her wealth. A drachma is a silver coin and it may well have been part of her dowry. The houses did not have any windows which is why she had to light a lamp to look for her coin. There was a lot of work involved in finding her drachma which is why she is so happy.

Jesus compares their joy to the joy in heaven over one sinner who returns to God, which is a direct rebuke to the Pharisees and scribes, who saw themselves as "good people" keeping all the rules and doing the right thing.

The third story is the famous story of the Prodigal Son, which we all know so well.

These stories all speak to us of our hope, when we are lost, of being found by a loving and forgiving God.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Annette Keates, Mary and Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Bernie Mortlock, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Denise Watson, Enid and John King, Teresa Goddard, , Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon, and Bridget Whitfield.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember Arthur Harding, Dawn Rutherford, Margaret Fortnam, and all those who have died recently. We also remember, Kevin Chilton, John Coffey, Frank Atkinson, Betty Centurion, Mabel Lynch, Ken Lawrence, Joanne Clement, Noreen Blake, Aleksander Piotrowski, Emily Carr, Patrick Waldron, Ann O'Malloran, Michael Purcell, Bridget Cahill, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Requiem Mass for Dawn Rutherford is on Monday 19th September 2022 at 12:00pm here in Church followed by Burial at Heath Lane Cemetery at 1:00pm.

Reception into Church for Dawn Rutherford will be on Sunday 18th September at 7:00pm in Church.

Requiem Mass for Arthur Harding is on Wednesday 21st September 2022 at 11:00am here in Church followed by Burial at Oscott College Cemetery at 12:45pm.

Reception into Church for Arthur Harding will be on Tuesday, 20th September at 4:00pm in Church.

MISSIO

Please collect your brown envelope from the Church Porch, empty your box into it and return the money to the Parish Office. Thank you for your continuing support for the work of Missio.

WELCOME

We welcome Mgr. Daniel McHugh again as the celebrant at our Masses this weekend. Thank you for your presence with us.

This Week Saturday 10th September - Sunday 18th September (Psalter Week 4)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 10th September Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm Ints of Bernadette Sullivan	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 11th September TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR DEC PAKISTAN FLOODS APPEAL	8:30 am Pauline Callaghan R.I.P 10:30 am Graham Lingwood R.I.P	
Monday 12th September Feria in Ordinary Time	NO MASS (Eileen Cafferty)	
Tuesday 13th September Memorial of St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	NO MASS (Kathleen Satchwell)	
Wednesday 14th September FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	NO MASS	
Thursday 15th September Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows	11:30am Celia Hoey R.I.P	
Friday 16th September Memorial of Ss Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	12:00pm Funeral Service for Margaret Fortnam	
Saturday 17th September Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm Andrew Kitson R.I.P	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 18th September TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC EVANGELISATION (CASE)	8:30 am Ints of Kathleen and Paddy Breen 10:30 am Thomas Falvey R.I.P	7:00pm Reception into Church for Dawn Rutherford

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Last Week's Offertory Collection: £364.19

Gift Aid Envelopes: £322.00

> Parish Levies: £171.39

Standing Order for the Month of July: £1,679.00 Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 261

Thank you for supporting your Parish.



Next Sunday's

Mass Readings: Amos 8:4-7; Ps 112; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13 Page 69

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

There is a day of prayer celebrating Fatima at St Dunstan's Church, Kings Heath, on 10th September 2022.

For more information please see the poster in the Church Porch.

SPONSORED WALK FOR SCJ MISSIONS:

This takes place on Saturday, 24th September 2022 from 11.30 am. The starting point will be Our Lady and St Patrick Church (post code NG2 1JQ). We will walk in a loop to Holme Pierrepoint, home of the National Water sports Centre and back again— a total of 7.8 miles (3.9 miles each way).

A shorter walk can be done if you wish. Light refreshments will be served in the hall on your return. If you are unable to take part, please give your donation to the Holy Name Parish Office in an envelope. Thank you for your generosity. For more details please see the poster in the Church Notice Board.

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE

You will have seen that Walkers Pharmacy have now finished in the Parish Centre and have returned it to us. However, it will not be available for use immediately as there is work to be done to make it suitable for letting again. We will keep you informed.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

We will be holding a Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 30 September after the 11:30am Mass, in the garden of the presbytery. Access is via the gate in the car park. We are asking for donations of cakes, raffle prizes and good

quality bric - a - brac please. We hope that you will come along to support this excellent charity.

100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART AND ST MARGARET MARY, PRESTBURY RD, ASTON B6 6EG

If you have had any association with this church you are invited to join in the celebration of this anniversary. This will take place on Saturday 15th October 2022 at 2pm with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Bernard, followed by a reception in the Heart of Aston club. There is more information on the notic⁴ in the Porch. Please RSVP to 07585 907706 or 07818 426891.