

Diary

TRAM SUNDAY –

Many thanks to the bakers and donators of cakes for Tram Sunday. All empty tins and containers will be available for collection from the tables at the back of Church.

Annual Pilgrimage to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Cleator

This will be held on **Sunday September 6th 2015** and the celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Brian Noble.

This year we anticipate Pope Francis' "Year of Mercy" as we honour Our Lady "Mother of Mercy" and once again make our own the beautiful prayer "Hail Holy Queen".

The youth of the Diocese are invited to join a pilgrimage walk. Please see poster for details.



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Sunday Mass 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 6:40 p.m. Rosary, 7 p.m. Mass

Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Celebration of the Word

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist : Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2ND AUGUST 2015

**Lord, giver of lasting life,
satisfy our hunger through Christ, the Bread
of Life, and quench our thirst with your gift
of belief, that we may no longer work for
food that perishes, but believe
in the One whom you have sent.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
You Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.**

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 26th July 2015
No. 35 Maureen Shaw £100

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: 8:30 - 74

10:30 – N/A

Offertory:

Candles:

Books/Papers:

World Needy:

St. Anthony:

Flowers:

Tram Sunday : £1,140.58

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Week beginning 9th August

*Church Cleaning
Anne Towler Group*

*Children's Liturgy
Summer Holidays*

*Refreshments after Mass
Doreen and Kathleen*

Welcome families and friends to St Mary's. Join us in the Millennium Room for refreshment and community social time after 10.30am Mass.

SUNDAY 2nd August Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Kathy Eaglesham R.I.P. (B.McC.)
	10.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish
MONDAY 3rd of week 18	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 4th St. John Vianney	7 p.m.	Kathy Eaglesham R.I.P. (J.& B.B.)
WEDNESDAY 5th	10 a.m.	Josie Ellwood R.I.P. (J. & B.)
THURSDAY 6th The Transfiguration of the Lord	10 a.m.	Vernon Green Lately dead (B. & G.R.)
FRIDAY 7th St. Edmund Arrowsmith and the Martyrs of Lancaster	10 a.m.	Rosemary Kirkham Lately dead (M.H.)
SATURDAY 8th St. Dominic	10 a.m.	Mary Doreen Stubbs (M.J.M.)
NEXT SUNDAY 9th Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Intentions of Margaret & Michael Pendleton 30 th Wedding Anniversary (M.J.M.)

Please remember in your prayers

» **all the sick**, especially Pastor Steve Bond, Fred Chew, Elsie Clapp, Roy Clarke, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Laura & Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Brenda Gray, Jacob Gray, Marion Hartley, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Jim McOmish (Father of Craig, who runs the Fleetwood Beach Kiosk), Michael O'Sullivan, Trevor Sandford, Joe Scott, Margaret Smith, Mark Surelock, Winifred White, Baby Zephen (Mumbai)

» **the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Thomas Ball, Hilda Brookes, Mary Davies, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Catherine (Reenie)Sharp, Monica Syms, P. Warwick and Nellie Wilson;

» **those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries are this coming week:** Alice Avery, May Martin, Tom Byrne, Mary Josephine Powell, Francis Rogerson, Patrick Leonard, Sarah Wilkinson, Kathleen Richardson, Pauline Gerrity.



THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read

The Gospel for Sunday 9th August 2015 (John 6:41-51): Belief as Eternal Life

Reflect

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

We always think of this Bread of Life discourse as centred on the Eucharist, but the first part of it is centred on the bread of life as the revelation of God. In a similar way, the Liturgy of the Word which proclaims the revelation of God through Scripture is the first part of the Mass. As we said last week, in this discourse Jesus is following the pattern of Jewish sermons with a detailed commentary upon the text from Exodus: 'Bread from heaven he gave them to eat'. Then half-way through the sermon comes a quotation from the prophets, a sort of half-time booster quote. This quotation from Isaiah appears in today's gospel reading: 'They will all be taught by God'. In context this quote occurs in a passage exploring the personal relationship of each believer to the Lord. The Lord will sow in our hearts individually the knowledge of himself, so that each of us has a personal bond with God which is cultivated by prayer. If we listen to the Father and learn from him, we come to Jesus, who has seen the Father. So in this reading the emphasis is on listening, seeing, believing the revelation of the Father. Faith is no abstract set of truths but a personal knowing, just as we know those we love on earth. Only at the end of today's reading do we move on to the topic of eating the Bread of Life.

How and where do you listen to what God has to say to you?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES :

We welcome back to all the members of the parish who have been on pilgrimage to Lourdes. We pray that it will have been a wonderfully uplifting experience for all of them.

A WEEK'S HOLIDAY AT THE FABULOUS VILLA PALAZZOLA, 6TH TO 13TH JUNE, 2016 :

Valla Palazzola, owned by the Venerable English College, Rome, is spoken of by the local people as "the ante-chamber to heaven". It really is that beautiful ! The swimming pool is spectacularly situated and the wonderful terrace provides magnificent views, sun, shade and a wonderful experience of "al fresco" dining. The price (£845 per person, £950 ensuite – subject to availability) is fully inclusive of airport transfers, air fares, full board (including wine and water at lunch and supper, as well as 24 hour tea/coffee facilities). Book now to avoid disappointment ! N.B. Non-ensuite rooms are served by a plentiful supply of nearby W.C. and shower facilities.