

Diary

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.

Thank you very much for all the generous contributions that have been received to cover the cost of replacing the stolen holy water bucket. You will be pleased to know that they cover the full cost. Thank you!

Congratulations to Lyndsey McLeod and Christopher Morley who were married here in St.Mary's a week last Saturday.

Also to **Natalie Carr and Robert Throup** who were married here a week ago yesterday. We offer our good wishes to both couples and pray that they will be blessed with great happiness always.

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 16th August 2015

No. 131 Linda Lofthouse £50

No. 136 J. Sheridan £15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: 215

8:30 – 85

10:30 – 130

Offertory: £573.07

Candles: £ 128.96

Books/Papers:£13.41

World Needy: £59.58

St. Anthony: £15.32

Flowers: £13.99

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Week beginning 30th August

Church Cleaning

Kathleen McGinley Group

Children's Liturgy

Summer Holidays

Refreshments after Mass

Kath and Maureen



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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.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd AUGUST 2015

**In every age, O God, you give your people
freedom to walk in faith or to turn away.**

**Grant us grace to remain faithful to your
Holy One,**

**Whose words are spirit and life, Jesus
Christ, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for
ever and ever.**

**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 23 rd August Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Peter Edwards (J.E.) Anniversary
MONDAY 24 th St Bartholomew	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 25 th	7 p.m.	Joseph Mc Garvey R.I.P. (M.McG.) Anniversary
WEDNESDAY 26 th	10 a.m.	Kathy Eaglesham R.I.P. (N.S.)
THURSDAY 27 th St. Monica	10 a.m.	Martin Walsh (M.J.M.) Lately dead
FRIDAY 28 th St. Augustine	10 a.m.	John Smith R.I.P. (J.S.)
SATURDAY 29 th The Passion of St. John the Baptist	10 a.m.	Deceased Members of the McGuirk Family (K.P.)
NEXT SUNDAY 30 th Twenty- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Power Family (K.P.)

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, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Margaret Smith, Mark Surelock, Winifred White, Baby Zephen (Mumbai),

» **the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Thomas Ball, 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** Betty Coupland, Mavis Preston.
and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Saran Flynn, David Andrew, Frances Farrell, Joseph McGarvey, Geoff Tonge, Knud Veje, Celia Houten, Irena Ward.



THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 30th August 2015**
Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23: The True Purpose of the Law

Reflect

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

Legal observance has its dangers, for it is sometimes easy to obey the law exactly while forgetting its purpose. It is no good driving doggedly just below the speed-limit while endangering life and limb. The more exact the law, the greater is the temptation to manipulate it to evade its purpose. The Pharisees were as aware of this danger of distortion as is the modern stickler for exact observance. The Pharisees have a bad press in the gospels because, at the time the gospels were written, hostility between Christians and Pharisaic Judaism was at its height. During Jesus' own lifetime their opposition was not so obvious. For instance, they had no share in the Passion and Crucifixion of Jesus. In any case, Jesus' own final saying here, while it may apply to the Jewish ritual Law, has much wider application than the observance of Jewish rules for clean food. It is more akin to the saying in Matthew: 'A sound tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor a rotten tree bear good fruit. By their fruits you shall know them'. A person's true qualities are seen by that person's actions; their true intentions and character, which comes from the heart, become visible in their words and actions.

What sort of things would manifest a heart centred on Christ?
Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

**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 of £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.