

## Diary

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

This will be held on **Sunday September 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Did you know** ..... **CAFOD** is supporting the Jesuit Development Service (JDS), who work with some of the poorest communities in El Salvador, to the west of the country? The communities here grow food to survive, but the steep, rocky landscape makes farming difficult. The Jesuit Development Service helps train farmers, so people can share skills, develop new ways to earn money and create a better life for their families. Working in partnership is an essential part of our identity.

#### ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

##### For 23rd August 2015

No. 146 Mrs. B.C. Wynn £50  
No. 109 Jo Wright £15

#### LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **226**  
8:30 – 84  
10:30 – 142

Offertory: £ 504.11  
Candles: £ 183.46  
Books/Papers: £ 8.83  
World Needy: £ 67.49  
St. Anthony:  
Flowers: £ 6.96

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*Week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> September*

*Church Cleaning*

*Children's Liturgy*  
Summer Holidays

*Refreshments after Mass*  
Doreen and Kathleen



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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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30th AUGUST 2015

**Father of light, giver of every good and perfect gift, bring to fruition the word of truth sown in our hearts by your Son, that we may rightly understand your commandments, live your law of love, and so offer you worship that is pure and undefiled. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, 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.**

<b>SUNDAY 30th August</b> <b>Twenty-Second Sunday</b> <b>in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Power Family (K.P.)
<b>MONDAY 31st</b>	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
<b>TUESDAY 1st September</b>	7 p.m.	Dennis Halloran R.I.P. and Intentions of Judith Wedding Anniversary Prayers 8th September (J.H.)
<b>WEDNESDAY 2nd</b>	10 a.m.	The Faithful Departed (M.H.)
<b>THURSDAY 3rd</b> <b>St. Gregory the Great</b>	10 a.m.	Yvonne and Stan Rawcliffe Diamond Wedding Anniversary (B.B.)
<b>FRIDAY 4th</b> <b>St. Cuthbert</b>	10 a.m.	Kathy Eaglesham (A.O'C.)
<b>SATURDAY 5th</b>	10 a.m.	Elizabeth Bromilow (J.B.)
<b>NEXT SUNDAY 6th</b> <b>Twenty-Third Sunday</b> <b>in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30 a.m.	Richard Jones R.I.P. Birthday Memories (C.J.)
	10.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish

### *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** Mavis Preston and Rita Radcliffe.

**and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week:** Frank Hill, Agnes Stott, Thomas Rayner, Agnes Crookall, Will Crookall, Robert Carter.



## **THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel**

*Read* **The Gospel for Sunday 6th September 2015**  
**Mark 7:31-37: Jesus Cures a Deaf Man**

### *Reflect*

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

This Sunday's first reading prepares us to understand the true meaning of this incident, for in his wonderful cures Jesus is fulfilling that prophecy of Isaiah. Jesus' activity, as he goes around 'doing all things well', manifests the coming of God into the world, that Day of the Lord when the tongues of the dumb will sing for joy. Jesus is the sacrament of God. In him God is active in the world, bringing peace, healing and joy. In him people met and experienced God. His gestures (of putting his fingers into the man's ears and touching his tongue with spittle) are affectionate ways of showing that God is physically at work in him. In a modern hygiene conscious world such actions might be frowned upon. But if we are truly acting as the members of Christ's body in the world, we cannot hold back, and from time to time we will be involved physically and totally in helping others. One such famous, courageous gesture was Princess Diana's handshake with an AIDS-sufferer when it was still thought that the condition was physically contagious. We too can bring Christ's healing in countless simple (but often costly and courageous) ways. What do we learn about God from the gestures and words of Jesus in today's Gospel?

***What sort of things would manifest a heart centred on Christ?***

**Dom Henry Wansborough OSB**

### **Quarant'Ore Forty Hours Adoration:**

This year, as has been the custom in recent years, Adoration of the Holy Eucharist will be from 10.30a.m. to 4.30p.m. this coming Friday and Saturday, 4th & 5th September. Please commit yourself to a period of prayer by signing up on the list at the back of Church. Thank you.

Some while ago, when I discussed the Forty Hours Devotion with Stephen Shield, he was of the opinion that Forty Hours should be just that – Forty Hours !!

For future years I would welcome your thoughts on this. I would also like to explore this idea with the Parish Pastoral Council at our next meeting. So please feel free to express your thoughts to them as well. Thank you.

### **Christmas Fair Grand Draw & Spirit Raffle:**

Tickets for both of these are on sale from today! Please take as many as you can to sell to your families, neighbours and friends. Thank you!