

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.

World Youth Day

Danny Morgan, our Senior Altar Server, will be going to meet Pope Francis in Krakow next year on World Youth Day. To raise funds Danny will be doing a Triathlon at the end of September and is asking if parishioners can sponsor him to help raise his fare which is about £600. Sponsor forms will be left at the back of church.



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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.**

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 30th August 2015

No. 156 Bob Rawcliffe £150

No. 59 Jackie Jackson £ 75

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **168**

8:30 – 72

10:30 – 96

Offertory: £ 488.52

Candles: £ 129.64

Books/Papers: £ 7.74

World Needy: £ 55.71

St. Anthony:

Flowers:

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Week beginning 13th September

Church Cleaning

Children's Liturgy

Children stay in Church

Refreshments after Mass

No named group

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6th SEPTEMBER 2015

God of power and compassion, in Christ you reveal your will to heal and to save. Open our ears to your redeeming word and move our hearts by the strength of your love, so that our every word and work may proclaim as Messiah Jesus the 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 6 th September Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Richard Jones R.I.P. Birthday Memories (C.J.)
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
MONDAY 7 th	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 8 th Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7 p.m.	Celebration of the Word
WEDNESDAY 9 th	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
THURSDAY 10 th	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
FRIDAY 11 th	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
SATURDAY 12 th	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
NEXT SUNDAY 13 th Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Pat Power R.I.P. (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**: Rita Radcliffe, Jimmy Dunlop, Mary Duffe, Bridie McQuade, Ray Morton.

and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Mary Wilson, William O'Neill, Mary Frances Lennox, Edna Benson, Jean Hough, Jack Galvin, Peter Baldwin, Monica Crewdson, Alice Murray, Francis Lord.



THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read The Gospel for Sunday 13th September 2015
Mark 8:27-35): Peter's Declaration of Faith and Jesus' Reply

Reflect

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

This is the turning-point of Mark's gospel. Till now the stories we have heard have all spoken about ever-increasing wonder and amazement at Jesus' personality, his goodness and his authority. But even his closest disciples do not seem to have seen what this means. Then suddenly Peter comes to the realisation that Jesus is the Messiah, the Anointed of God, for whom everyone was waiting. However, Peter still does not understand what this implies. Jesus is not a conquering political hero, who will simply wipe out all opposition by overwhelming force, and make every path smooth and gentle. Jesus begins to show his disciples that the road to fulfilment is through suffering. Jesus repeats this prophecy of his suffering, death and resurrection another two times, and on each occasion the disciples fail to grasp the lesson; first it's Peter, then the disciples who are arguing about precedence, and finally the two sons of Zebedee who want the best places for themselves. So three times Jesus repeats that if you want to follow him you must follow him to the Cross. Nor are we, later followers of Jesus, any quicker than the disciples to learn this lesson if we greet any suffering that comes our way with indignation and evasion.

Why does Jesus rebuke Peter so fiercely?

Dom Henry Wansborough OSB

Quarant'Ore Forty Hours Adoration:

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. Please take as many as you can to sell to your families, neighbours and friends. Thank you!

Enquiring about the Catholic Faith:- Recently I was approached by someone who is interested in converting to the Catholic Faith. If you know of anyone else who may be interested, please tell them to get in touch with me. Thanks. Michael.