ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS	PARISH MASS BOOK + YEAR A
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LAST SUNDAY Mass Attendance: 133 8.30 - 62 10:30 - 71	Week beginning 20 th August Readers: Anita M. / Diane S. Ministers: Ania M. / Bridget McC. Judith H. / Charlie W.
Offertory: £415.24 Candles: £89.24	Church Cleaning
Books/Papers: £7.88 St. Anthony: Building Fund: World Needy: £27.10	<i>Children's Liturgy</i> No Liturgy during the Summer Holida <i>Refreshments after Mass</i>
	Doreen & Kathleen

<u>Church Cleaning</u> - I am appealing to anyone who could help with the cleaning of our church. Until recently we had four groups doing the job, unfortunately we have only two groups remaining now. We are really in need of some younger volunteers, perhaps those who are still working, so that an evening group could be a possibility. Please think about helping out and speak to either Anne Duxbury at the 8:30 Mass or myself, Anne Towler, at the 10:30 Mass. Many hands make light work!

Flower Festival Friday 25th August until Monday 28th August

As part of our 150th celebrations there will be a Flower Festival in church arranged by ladies of the former Fleetwood Flower Club. Hopefully light refreshments will be served each day in the afternoon and volunteers are needed for baking cakes each day, for people to help serving the refreshments each day and for people to look after the church each day. There are lists at the back of the church for you to place your names on. We will be serving cakes and tea/coffee in the Millennium Room.

Cake bakers, we know your cakes are renowned at St. Mary's and if you could help by baking for one of the days we would be most grateful All the lists are split into days, so if you could help in any way **PLEASE** add your name to the list. The more the merrier will help lighten the load.



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th August 2017

God of all power, your sovereign word comes to us in Christ. When your Church is in danger, make firm our trust; when your people falter, steady our faith.

Show us in Jesus your power to save, that we may always acclaim him as Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.



Week 38, beginning 13th August, 2017

Sunday 13 th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Louise Latus (M.J.M.)
MONDAY 14 th St. Maximilian Kolbe	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 15th	10.00 a.m.	Dennis Lister People of the Parish
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	12.15 p.m.	Dennis Lister (J.&B.)
	7 pm.	Catherine Jones (P.&C.J.)
		Birthday memories
WEDNESDAY 16 th	10.00 a.m.	John Smith (J.S.)
THURSDAY 17 th	10.00 a.m.	John Smith (J.S.)
FRIDAY 18 th	10.00 a.m.	John Smith (J.S.)
SATURDAY 19th	10.00 a.m.	John Smith (J.S.)
Next Sunday 20 th	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30 a.m.	Louise Latus (T.P.)

Please remember in your prayers



»all the sick, especially: Audrey Armour, Zephan Barretto, Greta Carus, Elsie Clapp, Max Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Mark Earnshaw (Kathy's brother), Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Rosemary Lovatt, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Joan Moss, Michael O'Sullivan, Margaret Pendleton, Bob Rawcliffe, Lidia Romanowska, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Brian Simms, Harry Slater, Mark Surelock, Josie Tester, Frank Ward, Winifred White.

***the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns. John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris



Roberts, Monica Syms, Pamela Warwick >>those who have died recently: Patricia Hanson, Maureen Johnson, Louise Latus,

Dennis Lister

And also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Harry Allen, John Donnelly, Mary Slavin, Louis Wilson, Violet Sheridan, Celia Melville, Gladys M. Brown, Florence Watson, Alice Wilson, Frances Farrell

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THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read The Gospel for Sunday 20th August The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 15:21.28 Jesus and the Canaanite Woman

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

This is an especially significant scene in two ways. Mark's Gospel was the first to be written, and Matthew edits and expands it, using other sources as well. In Mark this scene is the only explicit encounter between Jesus and a gentile – and woman at that! At first Jesus is reluctant to do anything for her, for his mission was primarily to Israel. He puts her off, and is really quite brusque to her. However, she wins through by her persistence and her determined confidence in his power. The disciples get fed up with her shrieking after them, and ask Jesus to cure her daughter, which he does. We need to be persistent in our prayers and in our efforts. God does not grant a casual request. Secondly, this passage reveals a lot about Jesus' relationship to women and about his sense of humour: Jesus and the woman seem to tease each other with their repartee. There is the same repartee in the account of Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan woman in the Gospel of John: she stands up to him with her cheeky responses. Jesus and the woman are both obviously enjoying this playful scene. It suggests that not everything is solemn and serious in heaven, and there is room for a sense of humour!

Is Jesus rude to the Canaanite woman, or is he merely challenging her? How does Jesus challenge you? **Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB**

Diary

Tuesday is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation

Church Cleaning – two working members of the parish have volunteered to help with church cleaning in an evening. Thank you. Please volunteer to join them and the cleaning will be completed in a shorter period of time.

OAK TREE Nursery School - all 2-4 year olds are welcome. FREE 30 HOURS Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:45 p.m. Call in to discuss further and collect a registration form. At St. Mary's Primary School, London Street, Fleetwood

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