

THE SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

ST MARY'S, RYDE & ST MICHAEL'S, BEMBRIDGE

REFLECTION

In some places the autumn leaves are already reaching their peak of colour. As the turning seasons remind us of the glory of creation, the readings today focus on God's holy wisdom in creating man and woman for faithful, self-giving love.

For the Pharisees, in the Gospel, the human tragedy of divorce is simply a way to test Jesus. In response, Jesus upholds the ideal of marriage as a union so complete that the two become one. The same regard Jesus extends to husband and wife he also offers to children whom he received with tenderness and blessing. In this way Jesus shows us that from creation God's concern is for people.

In the deepest recesses of our hearts, we all desire to live in union with one another as God intends. The Gospel intimates that the kingdom of God belongs to those who yield hardness of hearts to the open embrace Jesus models. Just as the Gospel moves from short-sighted confrontation over Mosaic laws of divorce to Jesus' tender embrace of little children, so must our lives move from our own short-sightedness to the wide embrace of God's ultimate plan – hearts turned toward God and each other in relationships that are holy.

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY – YEAR B

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Gen 2:18-24; Hb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Wis 7:7-11; Hb 4:12-13; Mk10: 17-30.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a retiring collection at all Masses this weekend for CAFOD.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

An opportunity to build community, Saturday 27 October 1915 in St Thérèse Hall, Presentation House. Tickets £5 per person including fish & chip supper. Tea & coffee will be provided. Bring your own bottle. Tickets on sale after Sunday Mass.

FUNERALS

The funeral Mass of the late Daniel Perriton is on Monday 8 October at St Mary's, 1200. The coffin will be received on Sunday 7 October, 1430.

The funeral Mass of the late Patrick Ford is on Monday 22 October at St Michael's, Bembridge, 1100.

PARISH SECRETARY

Gillian O'Meara has given notice to retire from the position of parish secretary at St Mary's Church. We are all grateful for the support she has offered the parish over the past fourteen years and wish her well in her retirement.

COFFEE TIME

Coffee is served after every 1100 Sunday Mass in St Thérèse Hall. Please come along and share in the conversation.

SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE

The refreshment team are urgently looking for more volunteers to help with the tea and coffee after Sunday Mass at St Mary's. If you can help please speak to Anne Doran or contact the Parish Office.

BEMBRIDGE CHURCHES TOGETHER AUTUMN BAZAAR

St Michael's will once again be running a stall for CAFOD on Saturday 10 November. Donations of bric-a-brac to sell and items suitable for raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. If you would like any further information, you may telephone Patrick Maher on 01983 873048.

OCTOBER- MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

On 7 October, we celebrate a well-loved memorial in honour of the Rosary, and according to a long-standing tradition, the entire month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. In the Rosary, with its sequence of prayers and mysteries, we contemplate the Gospel in company with the Blessed Virgin Mary. As Pope Saint John Paul II wrote in 2002, "The Rosary . . . is a prayer loved by countless Saints and encouraged by the Magisterium. Simple yet profound, it still remains, at the dawn of the third millennium, a prayer of great significance, destined to bring forth a harvest of

holiness . . . With the Rosary, the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depth of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive an abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer” (Rosarium Virginis Mariae, 1).

Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish community and all those in need of our prayers especially: Elizabeth Bain, Marie Bartlett, Mary Belston, Michael Brien, Harry Carter, Joan Chapman, Philomena Echlin, Mavis Fisher, Mary Gilbert, May Gregory, Natalie Johnston, Lucie Le Cheminant, Jean Lobb, Sue McHale, Tony Obeysekere, Julia Morley, Mary Porter, Olive Roch, Peggy Ryan, Mo Sansom, Pat Sinclair, Peter Trafford and Liz Watling.

For those who have died, especially Patrick Joseph Ford RIP and Daniel Perriton RIP, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTION

In his prayer intention for the month of October 2018, Pope Francis invites us to pray for Evangelization and The Mission of Religious: that consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

THANK YOU FOR LAST SUNDAY’S COLLECTION: £1,032.97 incl DD/SO.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| Sunday 7 October | Annual All-Island Rosary Procession in honour of Our Blessed Lady, St Wilfrid’s Church, Ventnor, 1500. All welcome. |
| Tuesday 9 October | Reunion of young Confirmed Catholics, McAuley Centre, Newport, 1930. Hot food provided! |
| Thursday 11 October | Latin (EF) Mass at St David’s, East Cowes, 1200. |
| Friday 12 October | St Vincent de Paul Society meeting, St Thérèse Hall, 1800. |
| Saturday 13 October | ‘A Day with Mary’ , from 0930 until 1700, St John’s Cathedral, Portsmouth. Please see poster for more information. |
| “ “ | Filipino Sponsored Mass at St Mary’s, 1100, followed by refreshments in St Thérèse Hall. All welcome. |
| “ “ | Sounds of Heaven, a celebration of Our Lady and the Rosary in song and verse, St Mary’s Church, 1930, followed by refreshments in St Thérèse Hall. |
| Saturday 20 October | Prayer – Heart Speaks to Heart – Ecumenical Quiet Retreat, Verbum Dei Retreat Centre, Nunnery Lane, Carisbrooke, 1030-1630. Please see poster for more information. |

NEWSLETTER

Items for the newsletter should be received by 1200 Tuesday.

Please email: stmarysryde.newsletter@gmail.com,

or you may put a note through the letter box of Presentation House.

www.stmarysryde.org.uk

MASS TIMES

Saturday 6 October – TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1800 St Mary's Mrs O'Sullivan RIP

Sunday 7 October – TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

0915 St Michael's Yvonne Rowles RIP

1100 St Mary's Pro Pop

1430 St Mary's Coffin of Daniel Perriton RIP received into church

Monday 8 October – FERIA (27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME)

1200 St Mary's Funeral Mass for Daniel Perriton RIP

Tuesday 9 October – FERIA (27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME)

1000 St Michael's Yvonne Rowles RIP

Wednesday 10 October – FERIA (27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME)

No Mass today

Thursday 11 October – FERIA (27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME)

No Mass today

Friday 12 October – FERIA (27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME)

1200 St Mary's In thanksgiving for the Golden Wedding of Heather and Adrien Hewison

Saturday 13 October – FERIA (27TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME)

1100 St Mary's For the intentions of the Filipino community

Saturday 13 October – TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1800 St Mary's Muriel Rigby RIP

Sunday 14 October – TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

0915 St Michael's Pro Pop

1100 St Mary's John Macoris RIP

OTHER MASS TIMES

Quarr Abbey	Sundays and Holy Days	1000
	Weekdays	0900
St Cecilia's Abbey	Sundays and Holy Days	1000
	Weekdays	0930

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Michael's	Tuesdays	0900-1000
St Mary's	Fridays	1000-1200

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

St Mary's	Saturdays	1730-1800
St Michael's	By Request	