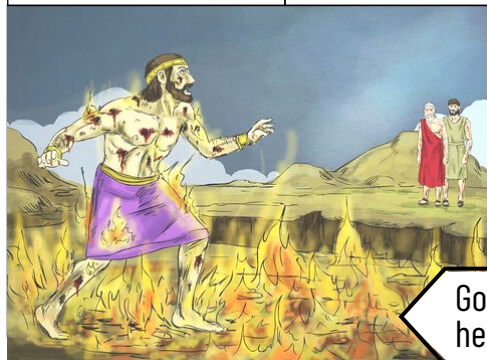


25th SEPTEMBER 2022: TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (C)

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| Mass Book Page 143 | 1 st Reading: Amos 6: 1, 4-7 2 nd Reading: 1 Timothy 6: 11-16 | Gospel: Luke 16: 19-31 | |
| Hymns for 11 am Mass | Entrance: 725 Post-Communion: 888 | Offertory: 847 Recessional: 824 | Communion: 806 |



Rich and Poor

Jesus teaches about the dangers of inequality in the distribution of wealth. The rich man will be punished in the next life because of his indifference to the poor man who lay hungry at the gate of his house. Luxury and holiness are rarely found together. We are called to share our goods, just as we are called to share our faith in Christ with others through the way in which we

Good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while your are in agony.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

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| Sat 24 | <i>First Mass of Sunday</i> 18:30 Wellbeing of Anne |
| Sun 25 | ✠ TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY (C) 09.30 Holy Souls 11.00 Bernadette & Sean Lally RIP |
| Mon 26 | 09.30 Holy Souls Rosary |
| Tue 27 | <i>Saint Vincent de Paul</i> 09.30 Wellbeing of Francis Mitchell (Birthday) Rosary |
| Wed 28 | 09.30 Holy Souls Rosary |
| Thu 29 | <i>Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael</i> 09.30 Wellbeing of Obinna Maduaka (Birthday) Rosary |
| Fri 30 | <i>Saint Jerome</i> 09.30 Intention of Anthony Chilaka & family Exposition |
| Sat 01 | <i>Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus</i> 09.30 Ilca & Neia Monteiro Silva RIP 18:30 <i>(First Mass of Sunday)</i> May Brady RIP |
| Sun 02 | ✠ TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY (C) 09.30 Thuraisingham Bastiampillai Saverimuthu RIP 11.00 Holy Trinity |

Sharing the Word

First Reading - Amos was the prophet of social justice. He spoke to the complacent wealthy of both Judah and Israel, who were unconcerned about what was happening in the country which was about to be destroyed by the Assyrians. The rich did not have the slightest concern for the plight of the poor. Amos warned them that they would be the first to be led off into exile.

Second Reading - At baptism the Christian makes his profession of faith, in imitation of Christ who, before Pilate, spoke up for the truth. As Jesus was faithful to his call in face of a hostility that led to his death, so Christians facing persecution, and who live in hope of the appearing of the Lord, should be faithful.

Gospel - The parable does not suggest that the rich man's wealth was ill-gotten. In the same way the parable does not say anywhere that Lazarus was a victim of his oppression. The rich man's sin consists in the fact that cushioned by a lavish life-style, he was oblivious to the presence of a poor man at his gate. This parable is about the responsibility of wealth. Lazarus was rewarded not for his poverty but because God is the vindicator of the poor.

Altar servers' workshop

All the children who are currently serving at mass and all the children who aspire to serve at mass, should come to a training and practice workshop on Saturday 1st October at 10.30 am. I urge the parents of these children to please bring them to the church on this date.

It is important that our children are helped to serve at mass with confidence. Children who do not attend will not be allowed to serve at mass after this date.

Remembering the parish of Our Lady & St Philip Neri

When the time is right for you to remember a charity in your will, please remember the parish of Our Lady and St Philip Neri. Every gift makes a difference. For more information call the parish secretary or email, sydenham@rcaos.org.uk

Church Cleaning

Our church is always very clean. We owe this to a few ladies who come every Wednesday to clean the church. The number of cleaners is decreasing. There are many vacancies in the ministry of keeping the church clean. The cleaners do their work on Wednesdays after the morning mass. All are welcome to join them. When there are many hands, the work becomes easy and enjoyable.

First Holy Communion 2023

Applications forms for first holy Communion are available on the table which is at the back of the church. Parents with children ready to do their first holy communion next year, should pick up an application form and return the completed form to the parish office. The parents will be invited by email to attend the first meeting of the parents.

Confirmation 2023

Applications for confirmation are available on the table which is at the back of the church. Parents with children ready to receive the sacrament of confirmation should pick up an application form and return the completed form to the parish office. We will announce the date when the programme will begin. We need a coordinator for confirmation. Anybody interested in and willing to do this special ministry should speak to Fr Regis.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are an adult in our parish boundary, or come regularly to this parish church for Mass, and desire to become a Catholic or want to explore the Catholic faith you are welcome to join the RCIA course which will commence in October. This course is also for Catholics who were baptised young but did not receive their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. For further information and to enrol please contact Fr Regis on regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk

"Grief in Loss, Hope in Christ" weekend

This is for those who are in mourning. Emotions out of control, feeling at a loss, this weekend is a time for you.

A space for you. Aylesford Priory 7-9th October. For enquiries please telephone Aylesford Priory 01622 717272

Catholic Union Craigmyle Lecture

Monday 28 November 6.30pm (Doors 6pm). Baroness Sheila Hollins will deliver a lecture on "Keeping Children and Vulnerable Adults Safe – Insights from the Vatican" at the University of Notre Dame (1 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HG). In person & live streamed. Free, all welcome and followed by a Drinks Reception. To register and for livestream link, see Eventbrite or register at info@catholicunion.org.uk or 020 8749 1321. Please subscribe to the Catholic Union's Weekly Briefing and for further information please visit www.catholicunion.org.uk

Marriage Preparation Presenters Job Vacancy

A married couple, both being practising Catholics, to present 6 courses a year in various locations in South London and Kent, as well as providing cover in case of colleagues' illness. Salary: £30,000 pro rata (£7,000) for the couple. Mileage paid in addition. All training given. For full job description and further details, please contact liamgallagher@rcaos.org.uk Closing date for applications: **October 14.**

Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea)

You are invited to join a webinar on Tuesday 27th September from 7.30pm-9pm to learn more about the issue of seafarer abandonment, and how donations like yours on Sea Sunday are supporting those in crisis. If you would like to attend, please register in advance at www.stellamaris.org.uk/abandonment

Last Week

Offertory: Gift Aided: £169, Not Gift Aided: £323

Mass Count: Sat (48), Sun 09.30 (101), 11.00 (92)

Second Collection

Last week: Home Mission (£191) (NON GIFT AID)

This week: Bishop Pat's Retirement (NON GIFT AID)

Next Week: Comboni Missionaries (NON GIFT AID)

Donate

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated. Email Treasurer for details.

Card: Card Machine in Church Foyer or www.olspn.church

Standing Order: Email Treasurer for details.

Cheque: Payable to 'RCAS Sydenham'

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