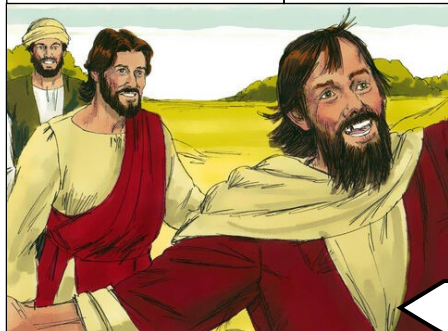


2nd OCTOBER 2022: TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY (C)

Mass Book Page 146	1 st Reading: Habakkuk 1: 2-3, 2:2-4 2 nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14	Gospel: Luke 17: 5-10	
Hymns for 11 am Mass	Entrance: 708 Post-Communion: 971	Offertory: 969 Recessional: 966	Communion: 433



Increase our faith

We are called to continue professing and practising our faith in God, even in the midst of a materialistic world. It will not be easy, and so we require Christ's help. We are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord; we have his Spirit with us, and can rely on his power.

← If only you had faith!

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

Sat 01	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i> 18:30 May Brady RIP
Sun 02	✠ TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY (C) 09.30 Thuraisingham Bastiampillai Saverimuthu RIP 11.00 Holy Trinity
Mon 03	09.30 Elisabetta De Masi (Birthday) Rosary
Tue 04	<i>Saint Francis of Assisi</i> 09.30 Birthday Intentions for Geraldine Hibbert Rosary
Wed 05	09.30 70th Anniversary of Knights of St. Columba 472 Rosary
Thu 06	09.30 Deceased members of the Kennedy family RIP Rosary
Fri 07	<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i> 09.30 Intention of Teresa Strolla Exposition
Sat 08	09.30 John & Molley Barraine RIP 18:30 <i>(First Mass of Sunday)</i> Michael Kirima Muthuri RIP
Sun 09	✠ TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY (C) 09.30 Wellbeing of Sylvia Manoharan 11.00 Brandon Pais RIP

Sharing the Word

First Reading

This reading is part of the dialogue between God and the prophet. Like others before him, Habakkuk is feeling the burden of office. He complains about the prevalence of injustice and God's failure to intervene. Then comes the divine response: in due time God will intervene to save those who trust in him. Meanwhile, the upright must remain steadfast in faith.

Second Reading

Paul calls on Timothy to rekindle the gift (of courage and power) he received when he was consecrated as an apostle. He must never be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord. He is urged to accept his share of suffering for the Gospel. With the help of the Holy Spirit he will be faithful to his charge to the end.

Gospel

A slave had no claim to either wages or thanks from his master, irrespective of how well he might have served him. At the time of Jesus, Judaism was dominated by the notion of merit. God owed salvation to human beings in return for keeping the Law. Jesus rejects this and emphasizes God's sheer goodness. The disciple must not claim a reward for doing what God expects of them. They must remember that they are only servants.

Baptism of Infants

During COVID we did not require parents seeking the baptism of their children to do a baptism preparation

course. But it is now a requirement that parents attend a baptism preparation course before they bring their children for baptism. A baptism preparation course will be held in the presbytery on every first Saturday of the month.

SPECIAL PRAYERS for the SOULS of the FAITHFUL DEPARTED

You are invited to bring lists of departed loved ones whom we will remember at Masses throughout November. There is a yellow box on the table at the back of the Church to receive the names you wish remembered.

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

CAFOD Family Fast Day (Friday 7th October) World Food Crisis Appeal

Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. As people of faith we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the attached envelope for our parish second collection next week or go to cafod.org.uk/fastday.

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Christmas Repository Order

Christmas orders will be sent mid-October for cards, diaries, calendars, candles, etc. Please see Christine or Joan to place your order after Sunday 11am Mass.

First Holy Communion / Confirmation Volunteers

His grace, Archbishop John, promotes with his 'Some Definite Service' mission, each of us finding our calling within the church.

We are asking those with an interest in teaching our youth to become helpers in our FHC and Confirmation programmes.

Both of these important liturgical rites in the lives of our children already have leaders and a clear lesson plan. However, as the saying goes 'many hands make light work'.

If you are interested please have a chat with Fr Regis.

Last Week

Offertory: Gift Aided: £170, Not Gift Aided: £362

Mass Count: Sat (56), Sun 09.30 (85), 11.00 (114)

Second Collection

Last week: **Bishop Pat's Retirement (£813)**

This week: **Comboni Missionaries (NON GIFT AID)**

Next Week: **CAFOD Harvest Fast Day (NON GIFT AID)**

Donate

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

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