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Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year

In today's Mass we shall hear readings that will perhaps disquiet us. Let us remember that they are the word of God and are spoken for our good

First Reading Numbers 11:25-29 Moses reprimands the small-mindedness of those who resent the granting of the gift of the Spirit to two men who were not present for the 'official' outpouring.

Second Reading James 5:1-6 In a spirit worthy of an Old Testament prophet, James issues a fearful warning against those who pile up riches without any concern for the poor.

Gospel Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48 In contrast to his disciples, Jesus argues that anyone not against us is for us, and goes on to insist that anything that comes between our eternal destiny and us must be sacrificed.



Sat 25th	5pm	Mass	Ints. of Don & Daphne Golden Wedding Anniversary.
Sunday 26th	10am 12-1pm	Mass	People of the Parish Private Prayer and Exposition. Confessions in the Sacristy
Mon. 27th Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul	9am		Carleton Crematorium service for Maureen Kelly
	9:30am note time!	Public Mass	Mary Waters Birthday Remembrance
Tues. 28th	9:30am		Mass in St. Bernadette's School
	12noon	Public Mass	Susan Mitchell
	1:30pm		Mass in Holy Family School
Wed. 29th	9am	No Mass	
Thurs. 30th	12 Noon	No Mass	
Fri. 1st Oct.		No Mass	
Sat 2nd	5pm	Mass	Janice Cooper and Fred Leach Birthday Remembrance
Sunday 3rd	10am 12-1pm	Mass	Joseph Poyner Birthday Remembrance Private Prayer and Exposition. Confessions in the Sacristy

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently especially Bob Parker and Maureen Kelly all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time especially Elizabeth Staniford, Peter Henry, Anthony Mac Donald, Thomas Nelson, Sylvia McArdle, Jim Pletts, Selina Wright, Edna O'Kane, Laurence Naughton, Veronica Murphy, John Crook, Frank Crook, Ray Conboye, John Donellan and Dorothy Ashley and for those in need of our prayers: those in hospital, the hospice, our priests at St. Winefride's, and Michael Barnes, Meg Brett, Joseph Curran, Maria Curran, Joan Farnen, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Michael Hilton, Paul Huson, Mo Long, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris and Bob Taylor.

Private Prayer and Exposition this Sunday 12noon-1pm

Fr. Peter will be in the Sacristy throughout the hour for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Please note Mass on Monday is at 9:30am.

Please note there is no NoonDay Mass this Thursday.

Mass will be streamed live on Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 10am. and then available for the week.

If you wish to watch 'live' please tune in five minutes beforehand. Please join us in prayer on the St. Bernadette's Bispham Channel on the YouTube. Search 'YouTube St. Bernadette's Bispham'

Apologies to anyone trying to watch last week – internet gremlins...

'Opening Up' Guidelines

- Please **continue the option to wear masks** whilst in the Church building, sanitize as usual, and optionally sign in for track and trace.
- Social distancing is not required but please **be sensitive to others**, and for the time being the ropes **at the front** will remain on alternate side benches.
- Communion distribution will continue as present **by hand under one kind**.
- Singing, and other readings and various actions during mass (such as an offertory procession) etc., will be gradually reintroduced.
- Please **leave orderly** as directed, and **be sensitive to people's feelings**.

Getting back to (or Starting?) (The New) Normal. As we slowly get back to normal it would be great if we can start such things as refreshments after Sunday Mass, a full readers and ministers rota, and cleaning rota. If you have carried out any of the ministers previously, or would be willing to offer your time for cleaning or refreshment making, please see Fr. P. or Eileen, or drop an email to the Parish. Hope springs eternal! Huge thanks to everyone who has kept things going, and keeps things going throughout the whole of the Parish! **And many thanks to be people who have re-volunteered!**

Tea & Coffee after 10am Mass in the Hall Next Week!

Monday is the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul.

Let's thank the SVP of this Parish for all the great work they in supporting so much of the Pastoral work in our Parish.

All donations to their fine work is gratefully accepted.

O glorious St Vincent, heavenly patron of all charitable associations and father of all the unfortunate, who in thy lifetime didst not reject anyone who had recourse to thee; see now by how many evils we are oppressed, and come to our assistance. Obtain from our Lord help for the poor, solace for the sick, consolation for the afflicted, protection for the abandoned, charity for the rich, conversion for sinners, zeal for priests, peace for the Church, tranquility among nations, and salvation for all. May all feel the effects of thy merciful intercession, so that, sustained by thee in the miseries of this life, we may be able to join thee above, where there will be no more strife, lamentation or sorrow, but joy, exultation, and beatitude for ever. Amen.

Mass Intentions can still be left in the collection at Masses at the presbytery and these intentions can continue to be said. Everyone is dispensed from the Obligation of Sunday and Holiday mass for the time being. Mass intention envelopes are available at the back of Church.

Food Sunday will continue, and likely to be more necessary than ever. Food can be brought to the Church at Mass times or the presbytery at any time.

Hospital On-Call Chaplains: We are still operating a 24/7 on-call R.C. Chaplain's rota in Victoria Hospital. If you need a priest in an emergency please ring the ward and ask them to call the on-call duty R.C. chaplain.

Weekly Offerings. Given the financial ramifications of these times the diocese is asking our parishioners to consider and arrange keeping-up their weekly offertory donation, either by setting up a standing-order, or continuing weekly offerings in Church at Masses. Envelopes and the envelope scheme are available. You could also alternatively send us what you would normally put in the collection via bank transfer. Email us to take up this option. Many thanks.

Newsletters are printed every week, and are available at all Masses, as well as being emailed to everyone on the list, and copies left in the Church porch. Please take copies of the newsletter give to people as well as other prayer sheets and cards etc. that I will leave at the back of Church and send by email. The Church Porch will generally be open from 10am to 1pm.

Book Exchange available in the Church Porch. Please help yourself

This Week in the Hall: Sunday: 1pm Bowling Monday: 6pm Bowling. 1pm Whist Wednesday: 9.30pm Pilates Thursday: 1pm Bowling; 7.30pm Drama Group.