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LITURGY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 25th JULY 2021 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (B)

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Sat 24th July	Vigil of Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.30pm	Glennis Cutler (RIP)	Confessions at this time are by appointment. From Saturday 31 st July, there will be an opportunity for Confessions from 10.30 am (After Saturday 10am Mass). The Sacrament will be exposed for prayer during the time of Confession.
Sun 25th July	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Grandparents and Elderly (Int)	
Mon 26th July	Ss Joachim and Anne	no Mass	_____	
Tues 27th July	Feria	10.00am	Private Intention	
Wed 28th July	Feria	12 noon	Private Intention	
Thu 29th July	St Martha	12 noon	Jonathan Jose (Int)	
Fri 30th July	St Bridget (Feast)	12 noon	Mick Massingham (R.I.P)	
Sat 31st July	St Ignatius of Loyola	10.00am	Private Intention	
	Vigil of Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.30pm	Leo McConvery (R.I.P)	
Sun 1st AUG	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Pro Populo	

MASS INTENTIONS to Father Stefan please

The Masses open to the public will be on **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 10am, & 4.30pm; Sunday 10am.**

Live stream on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKO3_Ft_zoDHsTqSXz4uiA will be available all day should people want to watch it at a later time. If you have a problem finding the past live streams, please follow the link off the live stream option on the parish website.

Making a Spiritual Communion

- * Make the sign of the cross
- * Read the Gospel of the day
- * Then share prayer intentions
- * Say the Lord's Prayer
- * Make an act of spiritual communion
- * Close with the Sign of the Cross.

My Jesus, I believe You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Urgent SVP Appeal

Can you pledge support to the Parish SVP to help a needy Dudley couple please? Mike Weaver OLSK SVP President writes....

During the COVID epidemic, the Dudley Council for Voluntary Services has referred folks that need befriending to Jane and David Clarke who have responded on behalf of the SVP. "D" is 79 and has multiple health issues. His wife "S" is 63 and moved to the UK from the Philippines in 2006. The couple have been married for 14 years.

S is D's main carer. Every 3 years, S is required to renew her Residency Visa allowing her to remain in the UK. The costs of obtaining the visa from the Home Office, the Immigration Health Surcharge and legal fees are over £3,700 which are normally met by S from what she can save from her work. Her ability to work and save has been greatly reduced by COVID and there is still a funding gap of over £3,000. She will have to return to the Philippines if she is not allowed to stay. Without his wife, who is his carer, D will need residential care.

We are trying to raise funds from neighbouring SVP parish groups, SVP nationally and other local charities. Might you be able to pledge a contribution to the SVP to help this couple please? If so, please call or text Jane Clarke on 07960 718510 or Mike Weaver on 07714 287867.

Thank you.

JULY Anniversaries

Remember in your prayers those deceased members of our parish whose anniversaries occur during July: Kathleen Bicknell, Ellen Woodhouse, Thomas Moore, Teresa Moloney, Samuel Frank Doyle, Charles Atkins, Gwendoline Mary Smith, Eileen Marjory Molloy, Beatrice Breen, Mary O' Sullivan, Mick Massingham (first anniversary), John Shepherd, Catherine Dempster, Patrick Joseph McGrath, Liam John Edward Glennon.

May they rest in peace.

Message from Father Stefan,

Pope Francis has called for the universal church to celebrate the first World Day for Grandparents and Elderly on Sunday July 25th 2021. Our 10am Mass this Sunday will be dedicated to our Grandparents and Elderly.

We will be moving back to a more normal mass structure over the coming weeks as we look forward to the Sunday Obligation restarting. My apologies as there were a couple of issues with the live stream during the weekday masses, hopefully all will be fine now.

Sunday Readings Reflection

Readings: 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-11,15-16,17-18; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

The readings for this Sunday tell of how God provides for all of our needs and feeds us spiritually. In the first reading Elisha assures his servant that 20 barley loaves will feed 100 people, and it does just as the Lord promised. And in the gospel, Jesus feeds the crowd of five thousand with five loaves and two fish, a foreshadowing of the Eucharist.

Shalom, Fr Stefan

Sunday Obligation Update

The bishops of England and Wales, have issued a statement entitled "Sunday – it is our Day". The Statement says, "It is our continuing judgement, therefore, that it is not possible at the present time for all of the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday thus fulfilling their duty to God. It is hoped that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil this most important Church precept, that of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021. In the meantime, all Catholics are asked to do their best to participate in the celebration of the weekly Sunday Mass and to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church."

SVP needs your support

At TESCO, please vote, vote, vote for the Parish SVP to raise £1,500 for families in need

During July, August and September when you buy from Tesco locally please remember to vote each time for the OLSK Parish SVP project to raise up to £1,500 to provide groceries for local families in need.

The four stores where you can vote for the SVP are:

- 1) HALESOWEN EXPRESS, Dudley Road, Halesowen B62 8AA
- 2) STOURBRIDGE HALESOWEN EXPRESS, 175 Stourbridge Road, Halesowen B63 3UD
- 3) CRADLEY HEATH EXTRA, Foxoak Street, Cradley Heath B64 5HJ
- 4) ROWLEY REGIS Express, 26 Rowley Village B65 9AS

Thank you for your commitment and support