



NEWSLETTER

ST STEPHEN'S

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St Bridget &
St Oliver
Plunkett
Pray for us



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (B) 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

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| Saturday 28 September | St Stephen's | 5.00pm Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Teresa Abbott |
| Sunday 29 September | St Stephen's | 10.45am Mass: Rose McLoughlin/Parishioners After Mass: Coffee/Tea/Refreshments |
| Mon 30 Sep | St Stephen's | 11.30am Funeral Service: Rebecca Houghton |
| Tues 1 Oct | St Stephen's | 9am Mass: Joan & Patrick Kavanagh |
| Wed 2 Oct | St Stephen's | 10am Mass: Isabella Stanier Followed by Coffee/Tea/Toast |
| Thu 3 Oct | St Stephen's | No Mass Today |
| Fri 4 Oct | St Stephen's | 5.30pm Exposition & Marian Devotions. 6pm Mass: Stephen McGarry |



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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (B) 6 OCTOBER 2024

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| Saturday 5 October | St Stephen's | 5.00pm Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Lillie Swales / Parishioners |
| Sunday 6 October | St Stephen's | 10.45am Mass: Monika & Piotr (15th Anniv) After Mass: Coffee/Tea/Refreshments |

Feasts & Celebrations This Week...

- 30 Oct. Memorial: St Jerome (Priest & Doctor)
- 1 Oct. Memorial: St Teresa of the Child Jesus (Virgin & Doctor)
- 2 Oct. Memorial: Guardian Angels
- 4 Oct. Memorial: St Francis of Assisi (Religious Founder)
- 4 Oct. Harvest Family Fast Day

CAFOD
Just one world



*"Works of love
directed to one's
neighbour are the most
perfect external
manifestation of the
interior grace
of the Spirit..."*

Pope Francis (Evangelii Gaudium)

From Fr John's desk...

October is known as the 'The Month of the Holy Rosary' because on the 7 October each year we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (or feast of Our Lady of Victories). This feast was established by Pope St. Pius V in thanksgiving for the miraculous victory of the Christian forces at the naval battle of Lepanto on 7 October 1571. Prior to the battle Pope Pius V had requested all Christians to pray the Rosary for the success of the Christian forces. Only two years before this Pope St Pius V had officially approved the rosary in its present form (*Consueverunt Romani Pontifices*). In a development from earlier methods of praying the Rosary, the new version included the second half of the Hail Mary, as well as the 'Glory Be' prayer at the end of each mystery. It might appear strange to us today to associate the Holy Rosary with a military battle but whatever its historical association its importance as a prayer to help us mediate on the life, death and resurrection of Christ is without question. Although Pope St Pius V established the feast on 7 October the actual dedication of the month of October to the Holy Rosary was largely due to Pope Leo XIII (1878-1903), who was an enthusiastic promoter of the Rosary. Pope Leo XIII also introduced a prayer to St Joseph to be recited after the daily Rosary during the month of October. Below is an updated version of the prayer...

October Prayer To St Joseph

To you, O blessed Joseph, we come in our struggles, and after having implored the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, your spouse, we confidently seek your help too.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and by that fatherly love with which you cherished the child Jesus, we beg you and we humbly pray that you will look down with gracious eyes upon the inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by His blood, and comfort us in our need by your power and strength.

- O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family,
defend the chosen people of Jesus Christ;
- O most loving father, ward off from us every
contagion of error and corrupting influence;
- O most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven
assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

And as once you rescued the Child Jesus from imminent danger of death, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your help, we may be able to live a holy life, die a sacred death, and receive the eternal happiness of the Blessed in heaven. Amen.

NEW...



MEN'S GROUP

Coffee/Tea/ Chat!

23 October 7pm-8pm
De Paul Room
Access from car park

PRAYING THROUGH THE GOSPEL



9 October - 7pm - 8pm
Lady Chapel

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember in prayer:



Anne Bland, Cecilia Taylor,
Rosemary Rylance, Shirley Byrne,
Barrie Cooper.

LADIES GUILD

1 October 2024

7.30pm



St Stephen's - De Paul Room

A warm welcome to the ladies of
St Bridget's and St Stephen's
and neighbouring parishes.



**St Stephen's
Church Foyer**

SATURDAY

12 October at 7.30pm
*(and every 2nd Saturday
of the month!)*

Pray Through Singing

Monday

14 October 2024 at 7pm

St Stephen's Church

De Paul Room



For info. call Sandra on 811230

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ST OLIVER'S TOTE 2024

20th September

5 + 8

Rollover £11



PARISH BONUS BALL 2024

25th October



Karen Wardle
Wins £25