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Collect

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Gospel (Mark 10: 17 – 30)

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

Reflection

Jesus makes two requirements of the wealthy man who approaches him.

First, he must give up his possessions. Throughout history, some Christians have taken this literally. Their example witnesses to us a radical commitment to the Gospel of Jesus. Christians have generally understood that at the least, following Jesus requires that believers hold material possessions loosely and remain vigilant against seeking security in accumulating possessions.

The second requirement Jesus makes of this man is the invitation that Jesus extends to all would-be disciples: "follow *me*." Jesus very much wants this man to be his disciple. We believe that the Christian faith is one in which each believer is in a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as this Gospel tells us that Jesus loves the man and is sad when he departs, so too, Jesus loves us and is saddened when we are unable to follow him.

Celebration of Mass

You no longer need to contact the office and book a place but we shall continue to record names as a precaution. We shall try to ensure that anyone who wishes to be “distanced” can be – in which case please arrive early

Hand sanitisers will still be used and face coverings are strongly recommended

Friday 8 October: Mass at St Dominic’s at 7.00pm

Saturday 9 October: Mass at St Joseph’s at 5.30pm

Sunday 10 October: Mass at St Dominic’s at 10.30am

Wednesday 13 October: Mass at St Dominic’s at 9.00am

Thursday 14 October: Mass at St Joseph’s at 10am

Friday 15 October: Mass at St Dominic’s at 7.00pm

HARVEST COLLECTION 2021



COLLECTION POINT HERE

SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS

Tinned Soup
Tinned Fish
Steamed Pudding
Tinned Tomatoes
Tinned Rice Pudding
Biscuits
Tinned vegetables
Instant potatoes
Cereal bars
Toiletries always welcome

#donated with love
#handled with care
#given with compassion

DONATE NOW!

Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list so we can provide emergency food to people in crisis.



Dursley donations can be made at:

Tesco Cam
Dursley Coop
Little Rascals
The Pulse



Stroud District Foodbank
Strouddistrict.foodbank.org.uk

Registered Charity in England & Wales (1176306)

Pope's October Prayer Intention: 'May all Christians be missionary disciples'

Pope Francis calls on everyone to pray that all Christians might be missionary disciples and open to the demands of the Church's evangelising mission.

"Jesus asks us all, and you as well, to be missionary disciples. Are you ready?"

The Pope says we are all invited to be open to Jesus' call and to live united to Him in the mundane events of our daily lives.

"Work, meeting other people, our daily duties, and the chance events of each day": These are the opportunities we have to allow ourselves to be "guided by the Holy Spirit," says the Pope.

He says other people easily take notice when our every action is motivated by Christ.

"And your testimony of life will inspire admiration, and admiration inspires others to ask themselves, 'How is it possible for this person to be this way?' 'What is the source of the love with which this person treats everyone —the kindness and good humour?"

"The mission is based on an encounter between people, on the testimony of men and women who say, 'I know Jesus, and I'd like you to know Him too'"

Across the Deaneries

This new online venture gathers catechists, experienced and inexperienced, to meet on-line to share ideas and to possibly receive a little bit of formation at the same time. The first meeting for our Deanery is on Tuesday 12 October at 7.30pm

To participate in the conversation, you just need to register at adult.education@clifftondiocese.com and include the meeting you wish to attend, so that we can send an invitation for the correct date. These meetings will be via *Microsoft Teams*. A *Teams* invitation/link to the session will be sent out a few days before each meeting.

LGBT+ Mass

Sunday 17 October, 3.00pm at St Nicholas of Tolentino, Bristol

A monthly celebration of the Eucharist for LGBT+ Catholics, families and friends

All are welcome

200 Club: September Winners

1st Pam Durcan £40

2nd Sue Johnson £30

3rd Susan Terry £20

Our Parish

PLEASE PRAY for those who have died recently

Diocesan Prayer Link:

Immaculate Conception, Stroud

Churches Together Prayer Rota:

St Bartholomew, Coaley

Parish Prayer Rota:

The choirs of our parishes