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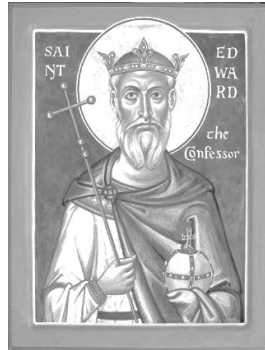
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13TH OCTOBER 2024 – ORDINARY SUNDAY 28 (YEAR B)



Sunday 28 in Ordinary Time

Sat 12 th Oct		5.30pm	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Nympsfie
Sun 13 th Oct		10.30am	Sunday Mass (Geraldine Moore RIP)	Dursley
		4.00pm	Dursley Churches Together AGM	St Bart's, Cam
		6.00pm	Toulouse Group in the hall	Dursley
Mon 14 th Oct.	St Callixtus	Noon	Mass	Dursley
Tue 15 th Oct	St Teresa of Avila	9.30am	Mass	Dursley
Wed 16 th Oct	Feria of Week XXVIII	No Mass Fr. P in Preston to renew being an Associate of the ICKSP		
Thu 17 th Oct	St Ignatius of Antioch	10.00am	Mass with the school ()	Nympsfie
Fri 18 th Oct	ST LUKE THE EVANGELIST	6.00pm	Adoration, Rosary & Confessions	Dursley
		7.00pm	Mass (Vale Community Hospital)	Dursley
Sat 19 th Oct	The Canadian Martyrs	NO MASS OR CONFESSIONS – Fr. P's Day Off		

Sunday 29 in Ordinary Time

Sun 20 th Oct		9.00am	Sunday Mass (Pro Populo)	Nympsfie
		11.00pm	Sunday Mass ()	Dursley

THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER: FOR A SHARED MISSION

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

[MISSIO] If you have a Red APF Box, can you hand it in as soon as possible for emptying. The APF is now known as Missio.



MASS PROPERS FOR SUNDAY XXVIII (Year B)

Entrance Antiphon If you, O Lord, should mark our iniquities, Lord, who would stand? But with You is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading – Wisdom 7:7-11 *God gives the wisdom to understand what is truly important and necessary for human happiness and to gain eternal life.*

Responsorial Psalm Fill us with Your love, that we may rejoice.

Second Reading – Hebrews 4:12-13 *The word of God judges secret thoughts and emotions.*

Alleluia Verse Blessed are You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the Kingdom to mere children.

Gospel Reading – Mark 10:2-16 *True following of the Lord and*

what gets in the way of it!

Communion Antiphon The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who fear the Lord lack no blessing.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- The Recently Dead:** Those killed in the American Hurricanes
- Diocesan Prayer Link:** Glastonbury, Shepton Mallet, Wells, Cheddar, St Edward's School at Melchet Court (outside Salisbury)
- Churches Together:** Thanks for the Churches Together officers retiring and seeking grace for those coming into office.
- Parish Prayer Rota:** Our ongoing life together.

FORTHCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

- Sunday 13th October Churches Together AGM at 4.00pm at St Bartholomew's Anglican church, Cam.
- **Sunday 3rd October, the first Sunday of November, month of prayer for the dead. The Blessing of Graves will take place in Dursley Cemetery after morning mass and at Nympsfield in the afternoon. Rain may dictate the speed with which prayers are said!**
- **Sunday 10th November Remembrance – 10.30am Requiem Mass for the War Dead. Local and village wreath laying and special services should be looked out for.**
- **Saturday 23rd November Pre-Christmas Fayre in the hall**
- Sunday 29th December, Feast of the Holy Family, we propose replacing the Café Dominic with Mulled Cider/Apple Juice and mince pies, to bring the family of the parish together.

PRIEST'S FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

- Father Michael Derek d'Mello's body will be received into Christ the King Church, Knowle on Wednesday 30th October at 6.00pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am on Thursday 31st October in the Cathedral Church of Ss Peter and Paul. Burial in Bridgwater Cemetery.
- Fr Ray Matus Cong. Orat. Founder of the Manchester Oratory will be buried on Wednesday 23rd October at Noon at St Chad's Oratory church in Latin (Modern) and in black vestments, as he requested. He was ordained for Clifton and prepared Fr. Philip for reception into the Church.

PRE - CHRISTMAS FAYRE Saturday 23rd November in St Dominic's Parish Hall.

Building on last year's success and moderate scale, this will be a larger event - more stalls, refreshments. Please begin to think about what you can donate, how you can help (before, during and after!!!). **YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!!!!** A larger event [and a higher total raised] requires more people involved, before, during and after.

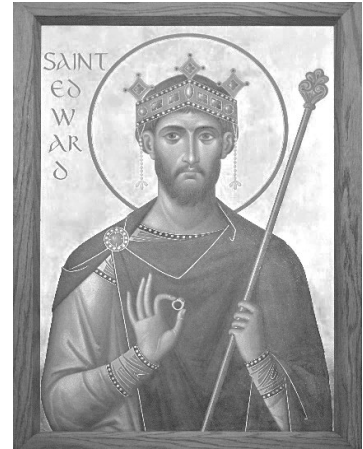
SEPTEMBER 200 CLUB DRAW WINNERS

1. Phil Durcan
2. Cath Maloney
3. Midie Mcdonald

ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR The last of the Anglo-Saxon kings of England to be formally canonised. There are those who include amongst our sainted queens and kings the widely venerated King Charles I, known as “St Charles King and Martyr”.

Edward’s untimely death in 1066 brought the crown to King Harold, and within the year to King William I. William became king by right of conquest at the Battle of Hastings. He undoubtedly believed St Edward had promised the throne to him on a visit to Normandy, but we will never know for sure whether this was true.

Edward is not a saint because he was a king, not even of England. If being royal or sovereign was what it takes, we could not copy him, yet as a saint he is offered to us as a good example to follow as



well as a sure intercessor in heaven. He is remembered for his Christianity, rather than his royalty. This we can all emulate. He was not a bad king and excelled in good government, but he always got more satisfaction from giving food and clothing to the poor. His devotion to the Saviour led him to order the building of the Benedictine Abbey of St Peter at Westminster. It still stands as a burial place of the rich and famous [And the Unknown Warrior!!!] and as the place of coronation, as we saw last year. Yet of all the statemen and woman, the poets and warriors buried in Westminster Abbey, surely it St Edward we really wish to copy. The royal connection meant that Henry VIII did not destroy St Edward’s shrine. Pope Benedict XVI prayed at the shrine on his visit to England. Our photo shows Canon Alexander Sherbrook of Westminster Archdiocese saying RC Mass there.

“WHAT MUST I DO TO INHERIT ETERNAL LIFE?” Many of us pay a lot attention to our motives and private thoughts. Some of us bring the wrong motives and thoughts to confession, even though we have not done anything external about them. This is praiseworthy, but St Mark records the man asking the simpler question about behaviour. He does not ask, “What must I believe to inherit eternal life?” Again, many people focus on right belief. This too is important, as heresies uncorrected can take us to eternal destinations we did not intend. But at this point we must remind ourselves of what we heard from St James at Sunday Mass not long ago. Faith, he said, without works, is dead. Right faith must lead to right action - “What must I do to inherit eternal life?”

The man’s question is couched in positive terms, what to do, rather than asking what he must avoid doing. It is important to note that there are don’ts as well as dos in Christianity. The moral issues around medical matters show this. Abortion, euthanasia, so called Assisted Suicide, as moral evils to be avoided and campaigned against. Cardinal Nicholls urges us to write to MPs when they attempt to legalise or liberalise moral evils.



Nevertheless, our gospel story this Sunday asks to think about positive deeds to cultivate, rather than evils to avoid. Christ positively and willingly endorses the Ten Commandments. Even the commands not to do, represent positive values we hold dear – Thou shalt not commit adultery = a love and appreciation of marriage and fidelity. The Precepts of the Church are often forgotten these days, but they represent positives deed to advance in the way of holiness.

- Attend Mass: Attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation
- Confess: Confess sins at least once a year
- Receive the Eucharist: Receive the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar at least once during the Easter season
- Fast and abstain: Observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church
- Support the Church: Provide for the material needs of the Church



THE INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING, SOVEREIGN PRIEST The mission of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest is to spread the reign of Christ in all spheres of human life by drawing from the millennial treasury of the Roman Catholic Church, particularly her liturgical tradition, the unbroken line of spiritual thought and practice of her saints, and her cultural patrimony in music, art and architecture.

The Institute accomplishes this primarily through a solid and well-rounded formation of its priests, rooted in Catholic tradition and carried out at its international seminary in the Archdiocese of Florence, at Gricigliano.

Its priests, conscious of the need for their own sanctification, strive to be instruments of God's grace through their apostolic work discharged in the churches assigned to the Institute, its schools, its missions in Africa, by preaching retreats, teaching catechesis, and providing spiritual guidance. The Institute of Christ the King operates under the patronage of the Immaculate Conception, to Whom it is consecrated. The priest members are secular canons.

Secular canons have become a rare ecclesiastical existence today. For a long time, most of us have known them only as cathedral canons, often venerable for their merits and age, but whose numbers are diminishing. In many cathedrals, the powerful chapters of the canons of old remain only the solemn and empty stalls. However, in the history of the Church, the reality of canons was not reduced to this single form of canonical life.



On the contrary, a great variety of recent research reveals a very diverse world of canons, flexible and adaptable to the historical, material and pastoral circumstances of the Church. Catholic culture, as we still know it today, would not be conceivable without the important contribution of the various forms of canonical life over many centuries.

Living in community with the canons are Oblates. These are young men serving in the Permanent Diaconate. They dress differently in choir from the canons and naturally wear dalmatics at Mass. Alongside the Canons and Oblates are the Priests Associate. These are members of their home diocese, drawn to share the ideals and spirituality of the ICKSP. They make a commitment to the ICKSP but remain in parish life.

The Province of Great Britain has apostolates in Preston, New Brighton, Shrewsbury, Lanherne and Torquay. These are expanding all the time. The sisters, the Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus work in Preston. Lay people can be linked to the ICKSP through its Society of the Sacred Heart.