



## Parish of Holy Rosary

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### 24th Sunday of the Year 12th September 2021

#### First reading

**Isaiah 50:5-9**

The Lord has opened my ear.  
For my part, I made no resistance,  
neither did I turn away.  
I offered my back to those who struck me,  
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;  
I did not cover my face  
against insult and spittle.  
The Lord comes to my help,  
so that I am untouched by the insults.  
So, too, I set my face like flint;  
I know I shall not be shamed.  
My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me?  
Then let us go to court together.  
Who thinks he has a case against me?  
Let him approach me.  
The Lord is coming to my help,  
who will dare to condemn me?

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

#### Psalm

**Ps 114(116):1-6,8-9**

I love the Lord for he has heard  
the cry of my appeal;  
for he turned his ear to me  
in the day when I called him.  
They surrounded me, the snares of death,  
with the anguish of the tomb;  
they caught me, sorrow and distress.  
I called on the Lord's name.  
O Lord, my God, deliver me!  
How gracious is the Lord, and just;  
our God has compassion.  
The Lord protects the simple hearts;  
I was helpless so he saved me.  
He has kept my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears  
and my feet from stumbling.  
I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

#### Second Reading

**James 2:14-18**

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; No one can come to the Father except through me. **Alleluia!**

#### Gospel

**Mark 8:27-35**

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## Mass times + intentions

Sat 11th Sept	6.00pm	Joan McNulty
Sun 12th Sept <b>24th Sunday</b>	9.00am 10.30am	Robert Johnson Freda Walsh
Mon 13th Sept	9.10am	Marlene Bruder
Tues 14th Sept	9.10am	Denise Pritchard
Wed 15th Sept Our Lady of Sorrows	11.30am 12 noon	<i>Confessions</i> AMB special intention, and for a successful op
Thu 16th Sept	9.10am	Gerard Traynor
Fri 17th Sept	9.10am	The McGuinness family
Sat 18th Sept St Robert Bellarmine	6.00pm	Irene Kitto
Sun 19th Sept <b>25th Sunday</b>	9.00am 10.30am	Jude Morris Terry McGee

Please ask yourself a question posed by Archbishop Malcolm recently: is it time for me to come back to Mass on a Sunday?

**2022 Diocesan Directory and Ordo:** Please complete the form at the back of church if you want one and return it with the money by the end of September.

**Children's Liturgy** will resume at 10.30am Mass this weekend (Sunday 12th). Thank you Team. If you can help in this way please see Fr Philip or Pauline Kelly.

**CAFOD** are looking for families who would be interested in talking about climate change in church, creating displays or recording short videos. Support will be given. If you are interested, please contact Siobhan Farnell at [sfarnell@cafod.org.uk](mailto:sfarnell@cafod.org.uk), or 07779804241

**Archdiocese of Liverpool Vacancy:** Cleaner needed based at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, Mount Pleasant. 20hrs per week, Wed-Sun. 9am-1pm each day, £9,516 p.a., 5 wks holiday pro rata plus pension scheme is available. Closing Date 17th Sept. Visit [liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs](http://liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs) for further details.

**Season of Creation:** In 2015, Pope Francis issued an encyclical letter, *Laudato Si'*, about these issues and established a Season of Creation in the Church's Year to help us to focus on the cry of the earth. The season begins this week with the 'World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation' on 1 September and runs until the feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 Oct.

**Assisted Suicide:** Bishop John Sherrington writes, in the next weeks, we face an unprecedented attack on the sanctity of life with Baroness Meacher's 'Assisted Dying Bill 2021' is due its 2nd Reading in the House of Lords with full debate on Friday, 22 October. As Pope Francis has said, "Physician-assisted suicide is part of a 'throwaway culture' that offers a 'false compassion' and treats a human person as a problem... True compassion does not marginalise anyone, nor does it humiliate and exclude – much less considers the disappearance of a person as a good thing." He criticised "those who hide behind an alleged compassion to justify and approve the death of a patient." Many voices from the world of disability-rights and other allies are also very fearful and fighting this bill. Investing in care, not ending care. Faced with suffering and illness, our response should be one of compassion. This finds expression in high- quality and holistic end of life care for the one who is dying and their family. The provision of quality palliative care should be a priority and reality for all who have need of it. 'Assisted Dying' could be seen as a quick and cheap alternative to proper end-of-life care. Take action: email a peer, [contactholmember@parliament.uk](mailto:contactholmember@parliament.uk), text service: 020 7219 5353, Address your letter to a specific member, and post to: House of Lords, London, SW1A 0PW. Find list of peers here: <https://members.parliament.uk/members/lords>

### UN Climate Change Conference (COP26)

The UK will host the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow from 31 Oct to 12 Nov 2021. 'COP' means 'conference of parties'. Leaders from 197 countries, including Pope Francis, who have signed up to the UN's climate change treaty, will travel to Glasgow to take part in the conference. This will be the largest gathering of world leaders ever to take place on British soil. The focus of the conference will be how to keep temperature rises below 1.5C. If the world warms more than this threshold, millions more people in the most vulnerable communities around the globe will suffer from devastating droughts, storms, floods and other impacts of climate change. Governments will be obliged to set out more ambitious goals for ending their contribution to climate change under the Paris Agreement (2015).

CAFOD invite us to sign a petition urging the Prime Minister to make sure the communities hardest hit by the climate emergency are listened to at COP26. You can sign the petition online here: <https://e-activist.com/page/73304/petition/1>

**Please note:** No tea and coffee after 10.30am Mass this Sunday.

### PRAYING THE PARISH:

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO LIVE IN BROOMSGROVE AND FELSTED DRIVE