



St. David's Parish  
Monastery Road, Pantasaph,  
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**OCTOBER 20, 2024**

**29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Mass Timings**

Saturday Vigil Mass 4.00 Pm

Sunday Mass 10.00am

Weekdays 9.00 am In Denbigh House

**NOVEMBER 1, FRIDAY-ALL SAINTS' DAY**

All Saints' Day being a Day of Obligation the Holy Mass will be at 10.00 am.

**NOVEMBER 2, SATURDAY-ALL SOULS' DAY**

On All Souls' Day after the Vigil Mass at 4.00 pm there will be blessing of the graves. All those who would like the graves of your Family members and relatives be blessed please be present on the occasion.

**READINGS**

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

October 22 St. John Paul II

October 23 St. John of Capestrano

October 24 St. Anthony Mary Claret

October 25 Six Welsh Martyrs & Companions

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS**

Today's Scripture readings describe Christian leadership as the *sacrificial service* done for others. They also explain the *servant*

*leadership* of Jesus and teach us that self-sacrificing, loving, humble service is the *criterion of greatness* in Christ's Kingdom.

**The first reading** is a Messianic prophecy taken from the *Fourth Servant Song* in the second part of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. It tells how the promised Messiah will save mankind by *dying in atonement for our sins*. Jesus has done this out of love for us, becoming the *Suffering Servant* crucified *as an offering for sin, interceding for us* and *taking our punishment on Himself*.

**The second reading**, taken from the letter to the Hebrews, tells us that, as Godman and Mediator-High Priest, Jesus has offered a fitting sacrifice to God to ransom us, liberating us from enslavement to sin. In the time of Jesus, ransom was the price paid to free someone from slavery. Sometimes the ransomer offered himself as a substitute for the slave, as Jesus did. The reading also speaks of a "*High Priest who is able to sympathize*" with us in our weakness because Jesus has been tested in every way, though sinless, and so we can "*confidently*" hope for God's mercy.

**Today's Gospel** explains how Jesus foretells for the third time, his suffering and death to atone for our sins and to save us. But his disciples are still dreaming of a triumphant political messiah who will reestablish the glorious Davidic kingdom. They dream of sharing their master's glory. Hearing the selfish request made by James and John for key positions in the Messianic political kingdom, Jesus challenges them, and us, to become great by serving others with sacrificial *agape* love: "*Whoever wishes to be great must be a servant.*"

**Life Messages:** 1) We are challenged to give our lives in loving service to others. As Christians, we are all invited to serve others – and to serve with a smile! We are challenged to drink the cup of Jesus by spending our lives in humble, sacrificial service for others, just as Jesus did. The best place to begin the process of service by "self-giving" is in our own homes and workplaces. When parents sacrifice their time, talents, health, and blessings for the welfare of others in the family, they are serving God. Service always involves

suffering because we can't help another without some sacrifice on our part. We also render great service to others when we present them and their needs before God daily in our prayers.

2) We are invited to give servant leadership in our homes, parishes and communities: We become servant leaders at home by serving each member of the family sacrificially with commitment. To become an effective Christian community, we need lay leaders with the courage of their Christian convictions to work for implementing social justice among our parishioners. We also need spiritual leaders like pastors who can break open the Word for us, lead us in our prayer, offer us on the altar, and draw us together as sacrament.

## **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY- OCTOBER 20, 2024**

***'Go and invite everyone to the banquet!'***

World Mission Sunday this year is on 20<sup>th</sup> October. On this day the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world experiencing situations of poverty and conflict.

'Go and invite everyone to the banquet!' is this year's theme chosen by Pope Francis. In his message, the Holy Father reminds us that the heart of our mission is to invite everyone to experience the joy of Christ's resurrection, a gift meant to be shared with the whole world. Everyone deserves to know that they are welcome at God's table – to experience God's love, grace and forgiveness.

There will be a second collection during this weekend Masses to support the World Mission.

For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit <https://missio.org.uk/wms>

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>OFFERED BY</b>	<b>INTENTION</b>
October 19, Saturday		For the Parishioners
October 20, Sunday	John Joe Winifred	Husband, children & for another child
October 21, Monday	Sosthenes F	Thanksgiving
October 22, Tuesday	Sosthenes F	Francis Fernandes

		for visa
October 23, Wednesday	Maria	Joaquim
October 24, Thursday	Melvel	For a house
October 25, Friday	Annerose Kooro	Health of mother and daughter

## **SUNDAY COLLECTIONS- OCTOBER 13, 2024**

Loose cash	£ 94.41
Gift Aid	£ 50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 144.41</b>

**SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION at 11.30 am on Saturday**  
**ON EMERGENCY please call 0741-749-4277**

**Let us Remember the Sick in Prayer**  
Philip McGreevy, Antony Parry, Janice Davies

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

John & Marjory Cavanagh, Michael John Gavin, Fr. Edmund  
Delaphine, Heather Rigby, Catherine Burlinson, Bernice  
Knight, Sr. Hubert, Jack Jones  
**May their souls rest in Peace**

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