

The Church is open for quiet thought or prayer from 8am – 5.30pm, Monday –Friday,
11am – 4pm on Saturday.
Monday – Friday there is a daily Mass at 12.15pm – 12.40pm.
Monday 1.05pm – 1.30pm Mediation group.
On Sunday there is a Sung Eucharist at 11am.

Readings next Sunday, Trinity 18

Genesis 32: 22-31, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, Luke 18: 1-8

Notices

Fr Paul has been invited by Fr Doug Ousley, The Church of The Incarnation in New York for a long weekend, 18-22 October.

Canon Tricia Hillas will be the Celebrant at our service next Sunday 20 October.

Diary

18 – 22 Oct Trip to USA , Church of the Incarnation

Blessed John Henry Newman

Canonisation of Cardinal John Henry Newman on Sunday 13th October at the Vatican. Cardinal Newman will be the first English saint since the Forty Martyrs were canonised in 1970, and the first British saint since St John Ogilvie in 1976.

“God knows what my greatest happiness is, but I do not. There is no rule about what is happy and good; what suits one would not suit another. And the ways by which perfection is reached vary very much; the medicines necessary for our souls are very different from each other. Thus God leads us by strange ways; we know He wills our happiness, but we neither know what our happiness is, nor the way. We are blind; left to ourselves we should take the wrong way; we must leave it to Him.”

— **John Henry Newman**

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13TH October, 17th Sunday after Trinity

Celebrant: Fr Paul Kennedy

Setting: Missa Orbis Factor

Hymn: 360 Firmly I believe and truly

2 Kings 5.1-3,7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.'

But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; Naaman came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.'

Psalm:111

R: The works of the Lord stand fast for ever.

Alleluia! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the deeds of the Lord! they are studied by all who delight in them. His work is full of majesty and splendour, and his righteousness endures for ever. **R**

He makes his marvellous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant. **R**

He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations. The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure. They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity. **R**

2 Timothy 2.8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David - that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful - for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Luke 17.11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to the Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

For your prayers:

Those who are ill: Margaret Guilfoyle, Lois Paine, Hannah Rae, Alison Hird, Richard Shepherd, Jean Kennedy, Tracey Llewellyn,

Those who have died: Keith Dolphin

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mary Tewson

Offertory hymn: 439 Praise to the Holiest in the height (all verses)

Anthem: Jesu Maria (Dream of Gerontius) -Elgar

Thanksgiving hymn: 392 Lead kindly light