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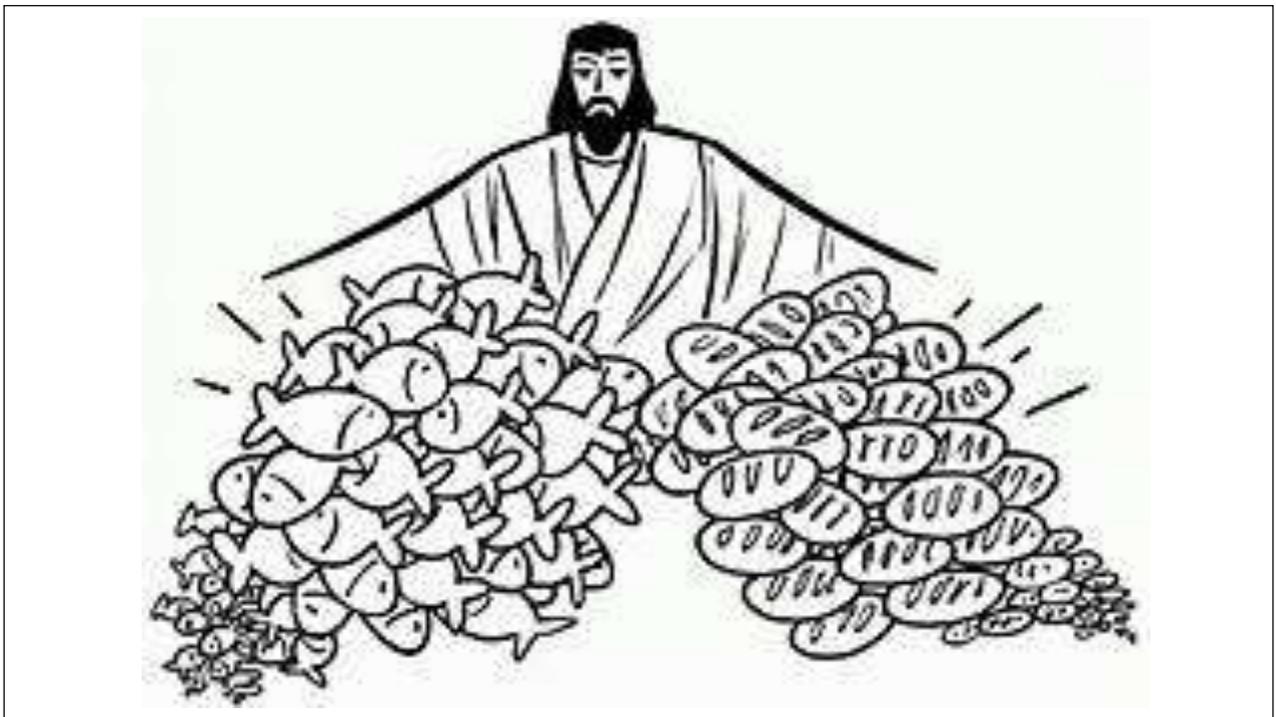
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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 29 July 2018

“A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people”

Luke 7, 16

Archbishop Bernard Longley has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring that our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. This review is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experiences with SCIE then please contact Hugh Constant (Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207).

ROCK N ALE Thank you to all those who worked so hard in the planning stages and to those who bought a ticket to make last weekend's event such a great success. The profit of £5053.71 will be shared between the parish and MNDA.

READIFOOD are running short of supplies and would be very grateful for any donations of tinned fruit and vegetables, pasta, rice and pasta sauces. If you can help, please leave your donation in the box in the Narthex. Thank you.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Gift Aid	£214	Loose	£461.25
Standing Orders			£484.00

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCY

Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School has a vacancy for a Foundation Governor. Applications from committed Catholics are welcomed by 31 August 2018. For further information please speak to your parish priest or go to: www.hughfaringdon.org/information/governing-body.

PRAISE & WORSHIP at English Martyrs on first Friday of every month from 7.30 - 9.00pm. Rosary from 7pm. Please join us next on Friday 3rd August.

BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON

SCHOOL OPEN DAY for prospective YR7 pupils in Sept 2019 in on Thu 20th Sept from 9am-12non & 5pm- 7.45pm.

Please remember the sick and/or housebound in your prayers

Domingo Antao, Betty Brown, Tess Carter, Lucy Collaco,
Moira Cunningham, Barbara Dalton, Jean Davison, Mollie Durnin,
Lady Anne Eyston, Dorothy Jennings,
Maureen Kinnon, Nancy Lynch, Ruby Mason, Lucy Maszłowska, Evlyn Novell,
Carrol O'Donovan, Theresa Parking, Veronica Perkins, Jenny Pollard,
Carmel Potton, Claudina Rodriguez, Sheila Smith

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B – Mark): *May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world.* This great prayer we find in the Eucharistic Prayer III and it invites us to think of all the places across the world – great cathedrals, suburban parish churches such as ours, college chapels, monastic communities, open-air gatherings in mission countries – where the same gospel has been read and where people gather around the table of the Lord to greet him who was crucified and risen and be fed by him. “*How can this piece of bread, so small as it is, be heaven for us?*” asked the German priest-poet Wilhelm Willms (+2002). How can it feed all these people? Celebrating the Eucharist all over the world, the Lord is present and is feeding his people. The miracle of the multiplication of loaves and fishes invites us to think of how we are fed by the Lord and how we can see to it that those who lack bread are nourished. [*This Sunday sees the opening of a series of five gospel readings from John on the Bread of Life*].

First Reading (OT): 2 Kings 4, 42 – 44: “*We shall overcome*”, especially when sung by Joan Baez, is one of the most famous protest songs which emerged from the great anti-Vietnam War movement in mid-twentieth century America. Protest movements often start small and are unnoticed (although this cannot be said of last weekend’s anti-Trump protests in London and Scotland!). What can so few with their pathetic slogans achieve against the great power of the State and against vested commercial interests? And yet often what starts off small, through courage and persistence, becomes something big which changes the world. The doubts shared by many protestors were also in the mind of Elisha. How could he achieve what the Lord asked him? And yet he did manage to feed the people.

Second Reading (NT): Ephesians 4, 1 – 6: Paul is writing to the Christians of Ephesus from prison. His primary concern is the unity of the local community, i.e. of the Church. And he gives practical advice as to how best that unity be pursued and preserved. Virtuous living is the key, tolerance the solution. Paul goes on to use the analogy of the body as image of the Church. Moreover, there is only one God, one Lord, one entrance door to the Church (i.e. Baptism). That same God dwells in all, in the Church and in every member.

Gospel: John 6, 1 – 15: The cycle of readings from the Gospel of Mark (Year B) is interrupted this week. Today we read John’s account of the multiplication of loaves and fishes (it has many parallels with the Marcan account) and then in the coming weeks we will be reading from the long discourse which John alone gives on the bread of life. One of the central capacities of Jesus which has occupied a major part in the tradition is his ability to feed his people and provide for them. Indeed, Jesus asked that his memory be conserved by the regular *breaking of bread*, bread broken so as to be shared, so as to feed the hungry. In the coming weeks we will have further occasion to reflect on this theme.

The readings for today’s Masses are to be found in Parish Mass Book : pp 112-114

Masses and Intentions

Seventeenth week of Ordinary Time

Saturday 28th July Yvonne Zammit RIP
Feria in Ordinary Time

**Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time** Year B (Mark)

Saturday	28 th July	17.30	Christine Francis RIP
Sunday	29 th July	10.00	Maria & Alexander Featch (to mark 40 th wedding anniversary)
		18.00	Mapledurham Mass
		18.30	People of the parish

Monday 30th July 09.15 Our Lady & St Anne
Feria in Ordinary Time

Tuesday 31st July 09.15 Christopher Warman RIP
Memorial: St Ignatius of Loyola

Wednesday 1st August 09.15 Private intention
Memorial: St Alphonsus Mary de'Ligouri

Thursday 2nd August 08.00 Private intention
Feria in Ordinary Time

Friday 3rd August 12.30 Bernadette Ward (anniversary)
Feria in Ordinary Time

Saturday 4th August 10.00 Private intention
Memorial: St John Mary Vianney

**Eighteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time** Year B (Mark)

Saturday	4 th August	17.30	Private intention
Sunday	5 th August	10.00	Health & blessings Alojzia & Jan Grestiak
		18.30	People of the parish

Confessions: Saturday 10.30 - 11.30
16.45 - 17.15

Exposition
& Benediction: Saturday 10.30 - 11.30

Evening prayer, Rosary: Saturday 16.45