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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 21/22 September 2019
“You cannot be slave of both God and money.”

Luke 16, 13

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Next weekend, 21-22 Sept. there will be a second collection for Fr Hudson's Care. Gift aid envelopes are available at the back of church. If you are a tax payer, this will give Fr Hudson's Care an extra 25% of your donation at no cost to you.

OPEN DAYS - COME AND SEE

St Anne's Catholic Primary School
Caversham &
St Martins Catholic Primary School
Caversham Park Village will be open on **Friday 27th Sept** from 9.30am
Come and visit our wonderful schools.

More dates, 18th Oct, 2pm. 29th Nov, 9.30am. 13th Dec, 2pm.

READING CHURCHES MEN'S GROUP BREAKFAST

8.00.am for 8.10am
on Saturday 05th October 2019
at The Pavilion
143-145 Oxford Rd, Reading RG1 7UY

More details on the noticeboard.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Gift Aid	£104.50	Loose	£461.63
Catholic Education Service	£137.05		
Home Mission	£101.89		
Standing Orders	£459.00		

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER 8.45AM - 11.30AM

Please come and join us in the Cenacle for tea, filter coffee and cakes to raise money for this wonderful charity. Everyone welcome.

OLSA BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP will meet again @ 19.30h on Wednesday 2nd Oct. in the Cenacle.

PRAYING FOR PROTECTION OF SEAS & OCEANS IN SEPTEMBER

Pope Francis requests action and prayer "that politicians and scientists will work together to protect the world's seas and oceans". Due to global warming the glaciers in the Arctic Ocean are melting which will quicken the rise of sea levels and affect peoples lives. Please join with Pope Francis in praying for greater Care Of our Common Home.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

On admission to Royal Berkshire Hospital all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to have Communion or see a Priest. All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led".
Hospital Chaplain - Fr JP Lytle
Mobile: 07391 896559 / RBH: 0118 322 7105

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C – Luke): The discussion about power is very central to the preoccupations of people today, not least where the world of contemporary politics and the governance of the Church is concerned. Power is at the heart of every human relationship, whether it be professional or personal, whether it involve the world of work or the intimate dynamic of family life. The scripture readings at today's Mass challenge us to reflect on what power our life situation gives each of us as individuals, to ask ourselves how we use the power we have and to what effect? A parish community is characterised by a series of overlapping power dynamics. The community itself has a power to benefit, protect and nourish its members. Each individual parishioner has the power to help others within the community less fortunate or more dependent, such as children. The priest has the power to present the gospel message in a way that enhances the parish's understanding of God's word and enhances each individual's experience of personal freedom and responsibility. And the community also has the power to be a positive influence in the local world in which it is situated. And yet each parish is aware that it too is beholden to people within the Church further up the chain who exercise a power over us, e.g. the Pope, our bishop or just the organisational structure of the institution in a way that controls our lives.

First Reading (OT): Amos 8, 4 – 7: The most recent report on wealth and its distribution in today's world reveals the less than one percent of Americans own over fifty percent the nation's wealth. Yet economic activity still continues to be driven by the desire of those few to possess even more. The situation described by Amos is of an economy in the northern kingdom of Israel which was already quite sophisticated and yet where those out to make money were determined to do so by hook or by crook, bend the traditions that had been elaborated to their own advantage and enrich themselves at the expense of the poor, which amounts to organised and sanitised theft. And that way of behaviour, still so prevalent in the way the wealthy nations of today inflict the consequences of climate change on those who have least capacity to mitigate the results.

Second Reading (NT): 1 Timothy 2, 1 – 8: The author of this letter sets out his store in a very reasonable, moderate and restrained way. His primary concern is that Christians, in appreciating and understanding what God has done for them through Jesus Christ, live in peace and tranquillity. Moreover, it is his hope and conviction that those same Christians can contribute to social peace and harmony, that they can be agents of the pursuit of the common good.

Gospel: Luke 16, 1 – 13: The unjust steward is one of the most complex characters who features in the parables of Jesus. He is a flawed character, clearly falls short of the moral propriety one would expect Jesus to advocate. And yet Jesus, to make a point about shrewd attention to our own welfare which he would recommend to all his disciples, he – like the master in the story – praises the steward for his astuteness. The parable invites us to focus on trust, essential to all civilised living.

The readings for today's Masses are to be found in Parish Mass Book: pp 140-142

Masses and Intentions

Week 25 in Ordinary Time

Saturday	21 st September	10.00	Private intention
<i>Feast: St Matthew</i>			
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time			Year C
Saturday	21 st September	17.30	Neil Campbell RIP
Sunday	22 nd September	10:00	People of the parish
		18:30	Good health & blessings
Monday	23 rd September	09.15	Mr & Mrs Galinos RIP
<i>Memorial: St Pio of Pietrelcina</i>			
Tuesday	24 th September	09.15	Maria & friends & family
<i>Memorial: Our Lady of Walsingham</i>			
Wednesday	25 th September	09.15	Thanksgiving: Kelly family
<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>			
Thursday	26 th September	<u>No Mass</u>	
<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>			
Friday	27 th September	12.30	Johnny Cher RIP
<i>Memorial: St Vincent de Paul</i>			
Saturday	28 th September	10.00	Paul & Angèle Doncarli RIP
<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>			
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time			Year C
Saturday	28 th September	17.30	People of the parish
Sunday	29 th September	10.00	Souls of the faithful
		18.30	Michael Martin RIP

Confessions:	Saturday	10.30 - 11.30
		16.45 - 17.15
Exposition		
& Benediction:	Saturday	10.30 - 11.30
Evening prayer, Rosary:	Saturday	16.45