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## Newsletter 20-27 October 2024

### 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B Weekdays Year 2

Date	Market Drayton	Intention	Newport
<b>Saturday 19 October</b>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	<b>Priest's Intention</b>	Vigil Mass 5:30pm
<b>Sunday 20 October</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>Mass 11:00am</b>	<b>John McGrath RIP</b>	Mass 9:15am
<b>Monday 21 October</b> <i>Feria</i>			
<b>Tuesday 22 October</b> <i>St John Paul II</i>			Mass 10:00am
<b>Wednesday 23 October</b> <i>St John of Capestrano</i>	<b>Mass 10:00am</b> Exposition & Benediction Zoom Eve Pr 7:00pm	<b>Beryl Dutton RIP</b>	Mass 10:00am Adoration & Benediction
<b>Thursday 24 October</b> <i>St Anthony M Claret</i>			Mass 7:00pm
<b>Friday 25 October</b> <i>Feria</i>	<b>Rosary 7:00pm</b>		Mass 10:00am Adoration & Benediction
<b>Saturday 26 October</b> SS Chad & Cedd	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	<b>Priest's Intention</b>	Vigil Mass 5:30pm
<b>Sunday 27 October</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>Mass 11:00am</b>	<b>Christine Milburn RIP</b>	Mass 9:15am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15 Wednesday, 10:00am Saturday or by appointment



**Today, parishes celebrate World Mission Sunday.** By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for World Mission we stand unified as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to 'go and invite everyone to the banquet' for the joy of Christ's Resurrection is a gift to be shared with the entire world. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace and justice to those in need. To donate use the Mission envelope, call 0207 821 9755 or visit [www.missio.org.uk](http://www.missio.org.uk), to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit, and if possible, to Gift Aid your donation.

### Readings for the 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time year B Psalter week 1

**Ent antiphon** To you I call, for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

**1st reading** Isaiah 53: 10-11. *If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life.*

**Response** **May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.** x3

**2nd reading** Hebrews 4: 14-16. *Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.*

**Acclamation** **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 10: 35-45. *The Son of Man gave his life as a ransom for many.*

**Comm ant** **Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.**



**The Pope's Intentions for Prayer October:** For a Shared Mission. Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.



The month of October is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**. Why not join our Rosary Group on Friday evenings?

**Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers ...** Eddie Hickey, Freya Jackson, Fr Anthony Wild, John O'Rourke, David Smith, Niall Gallivan, Doreen Dodd, Faye Hargreaves, Mary Goodwin, Julian & Dawn Huxley, Shane McGroggan, and all sick and housebound of the parish.



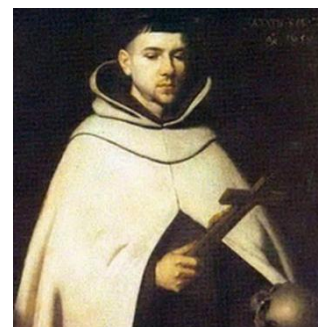
**Peace** Please pray for the people of **Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia, Morocco, Sudan, Nigeria, Uganda, Yemen and Iraq** and all those in countries affected by, unrest and conflict; pray for an end to war, and for peace.

**Catechesis Market Drayton Dates and Times** - Dates for the sessions are: 1 October, 22/23 October, 29/30 October and 6 November. It's not too late to come along and join us.

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**Doctors of the Church 26/37 St John of the Cross The Mystical Doctor, 1542-91.** Feast day 24 Nov.

Juan de Yepes was born in Ávila, Old Castile, Spain, the son of a weaver of good family in reduced circumstances. He became a Carmelite friar in 1563, and St Teresa chose him to lead the reform of the men's Order. He was imprisoned and treated with great inhumanity by his superiors in the last months before his death in 1591. Only after his death was he recognised as the co-founder of the reformed (Discalced) Carmelites. He was canonised in 1726 and declared a Doctor by Pope Pius XI in 1926. His teaching is contained in treatises, letters and long poems (The Scent of Mt Carmel, The Dark Night of the Soul, the Spiritual Canticle. He wrote of divine things from the depths of his own experience, with great literary talent. *"Take God for your spouse and friend and walk with him continually, and you will not sin and will learn to love, and the things you must do will work out prosperously for you."*



**Commemoration of all the faithful departed (All Souls) Saturday 2nd November.** We are fast approaching the feast of All Souls, the day the Church sets aside to pray for all the faithful departed. This year Mass will be offered at 9:30 am at Market Drayton, and at 10:00 am at Newport. During these Masses we will pray for our dear departed loved ones, and all those who have died and who have no one to pray for them. The whole month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls. We offer sheets for you to write the names of your departed loved ones that will be kept in a casket by the altar at every Mass of every day during November. There is also an envelope should you wish to make a Mass offering for the Masses offered for the Holy Souls throughout the month of November. We will also hold our annual service of blessing of graves at the Cemetery in Market Drayton and Newport. At Market Drayton the service will take place on Wednesday 6th November at 12:30pm meeting by the entrance to the Cemetery. The service at Newport Cemetery will take place on Friday 8th November at 11:30am. Family and friends of those who are buried at the two Cemeteries are warmly invited to the Blessing of Graves, a commemoration of all the faithful departed buried or whose remains are interred there and an opportunity to pray for the repose of their souls. Family and friends are then invited to gather at the graveside of their loved one, and Fr Lee, Deacon David, or Deacon Wilf will pray alongside them and bless the grave with Holy Water.

**CAFOD** Thank you from CAFOD... for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal. Your donation in our parish collection, online and your prayers is helping us stand in solidarity with those facing incredible hardships, as part of one global family. Learn more at [www.cafod.org.uk/harvest](http://www.cafod.org.uk/harvest).

Offertory		Loose plate £	Envelopes £	St Orders £	Total	Thank You
	06.10.2024	112.61	53.00	181.06	346.67	
	13.10.2024	98.91	46.00	181.06	325.97	
<b>Macmillan</b>		£140.35	<b>CAFOD</b>	£28.00 to date		

Refreshments after Mass on the first Sunday of each month  
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