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ENGLISH MARTYRS PARISH ALVASTON & CHELLASTON

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 5 October 2025

Psalm Response: O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts'

Sun: 9.00am Mass

Fr Slavik RIP

11.00am Mass

Patrick Henry Smith RIP & Patrick Joseph Smith RIP

Mon: 12 noon Mass

Marion McDaid Int.

Thurs: <u>St John Henry Newman</u> (Feast) 6.30pm Mass

Pat Greenan RIP

Fri: 12 noon Mass

Norman Annable RIP

Foncie Ward RIP

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9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass

Joseph 70th Birthday Int.

Money Matters:

Offertory: £492.20 Evangelii Gaudium: +£5 £293.86

For those who regularly contribute to the Church via the Envelope Scheme, another option would be to set up a Monthly or Weekly Direct Debit or Standing Order. If you contribute by any of these methods and you pay Income Tax, please consider Gift Aiding your contributions to the Parish, this is worth an extra 20% to the Parish without costing you any more than your Gift to the Parish.

Lloyds Bank: sort code 30-92-59;

Account number 01620555 – English Martyrs, Derby RCP.

(Gift Aid forms available at the back of Church)

Payments to the parish by cheque should be made payable to: English Martyrs Derby RCP

Sanctuary Lamp:

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially Simon Thompson, Christine Dreuitt, Terry Bullock, Giovanni Busato, Ian Robinson, Bart Makowski, Joe Migallo, Liam Blaney, Christopher Turner, Tracey Reeve, Liz Simmons, Terry & Liz Spencer, Mick & Frances Connolly, Maria Latwiel, Anne Smith, Margaret Meagher, James Wilson, Libby Dodes, Gregory Makowski, Brian Campbell, Mary Storer, Peggy Whelan and Ann McGauran.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tom McHugh. May he rest in peace. Please also remember his family in your prayers. His Requiem Mass will be at 12 noon on Thursday, 23 Oct followed by burial at Ripley cemetery.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY COLLECTION TODAY

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection today to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

Enabling Our Mission Campaign:

Our parish is currently undertaking the Enabling Our Mission Campaign which aims to support our mission of becoming more outward looking, while also striving to ensure that the fewer priests now available for active ministry across the Diocese are best able to serve our communities. We will be hosting a small gathering in the parish hall to explain this initiative to you and hope you are able to make the following date: Thursday, 9th October – 5.30-6.30pm

I appreciate you considering my invitation and I look forward to seeing you there.

With all good wishes, Fr. Brentnall & Mr Matt Bloomer

Second Collections in October:

19 October - Missio Sunday 26 October - Diocesan Quota

Missio: 19 October is Missio Sunday and the boxes are now due for emptying. If you have a box please empty it and send the money/subscription to Missio direct via bank transfer or cheque. Alternatively put the money in the Missio envelope with your details for Gift Aid, if appropriate, and put it in the collection on **Sunday**, 19 **October**.

The Summer 'Mission Today' booklet is available at the back of Church. Please take a copy. Alternatively you can receive a newsletter direct to your email by signing up at www.mission.org.uk/e-news

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October:

That believers of different religious traditions will work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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October is Missions Month and the Holy Father has asked that we pray the Holy Rosary each day this month, for world peace.

Salvation History – A Free on-line course: This eight week on-line course will be live streamed at 7-8.45pm each Wednesday, beginning Wednesday, 1 October through to Wednesday, 19 November. It will help in gaining a better understanding of the Biblical Readings during holy Mass as well as helping develop our own personal spirituality.

If interested, register on-line at www.comeandsee.org Here you can find out more, see trailers and read reviews given by those who have already completed the course.

PS: On the same subject, 'Growing in Faith – a panoramic view of salvation history' is a very interesting book written by the late Monsignor Paul Watson, which explores God's plan of salvation. It can be obtained at www.alivepublishing.co.uk or tel: 01782 745600. It costs £9.99+p&p

Prayer to St Michael:

'St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.'

St Bruno, Priest (Opt. Memorial) - 6 Oct:

St Bruno (c.1035-1101), founder of the Carthusian Order, was born in Cologne and taught theology for about twenty years at Rheims (France). In 1084 he retired with six companions into the mountains near Grenable (France) and founded the strict monastery of the Grande Chartreuse. St Bruno was summoned to Rome by his former pupil, Blessed Urban II, and while working for the pope founded further monasteries in Italy.

Our Lady of the Rosary (Memorial) - 7 October

This Memorial (originally Our Lady of Victories) commemorates the battle of Lepanto (7 Oct 1571), when a Christian fleet defeated the Turks. The victory was attributed by Pope St Pius V to the recitation of the Holy Rosary. This great Marian prayer is sometimes traced back to St Dominic and his confrères, preaching against the Albigensian heresy in the thirteenth century, although it seems more likely to have taken its familiar form in the fifteenth century. Since then it has spread all over the world and has produced marvellous fruits, bring countless Christians to Jesus through Mary.'

St John Henry New, Priest (Feast) - 9 October:

St John Henry Newman (1802-1890) was born in London, educated at Trinity College, Oxford and embarked on a highly successful career as a Fellow of Oriel College and Vicar of the University Church of St Mary's. A prominent member of the Oxford Movement, he became a Catholic in 1845; soon afterwards he was ordained priest and introduced the Congregation of the Oratory into England. He lived at the Birmingham Oratory, continuing his ministry as a pastor, writer and educationalist, and in 1879 was created Cardinal Deacon of San Giorgio in Velabro by Leo XIII. He was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010 and canonized by Pope Francis on 13 October 2019.

St Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs (Opt Mem) - 9 October:

St Denis (+ c.258) is venerated as the first bishop of Paris and patron of France. He is said to have been sent to Gaul by Pope Fabian to have been beheaded at Montmartre with Rusticus, a priest, and Eleutherius, a deacon. Some writers wrongly identified him with Dionysius the Areopagite, mentioned in Acts 17:34, who was claimed as author of a series of works of mystical theology actually written in the fifth century. The great Abbey of St Denis in Paris is the resting place of many Kings and Queens of France.

St John Leonardi, Priest (Opt Mem) - 9 October:

St John Leonardi (C.1542-1609) was born near Lucca (Italy) and after training as a pharmacist, was ordained a priest. This allowed him to bring to people the 'medicine of God,' Jesus Christ. He founded the Clerks Regular of the Mother of God and also helped establish the College of 'Propaganda Fide' in Rome, which trained missionaries. He died of influenza while ministering to the Roman populace. He was chosen as patron of pharmacists in 2006.

St Paulinus of York, Bishop (Opt Mem) - 10 October:

St Paulinus (+644) was one of the second band of missionary monks sent from Rome to assist St Augustine of Canterbury in 601. After labouring for many years in Kent, he was consecrated first bishop of York in 625 and did much to evangelise Northumbria, baptizing King St Edwin at Easter 627. He was eventually driven from York and spent his final years administering the See of Rochester.

Pope St John XXIII (Opt Mem) – 11 October:

Pope St. John XXIII was the leader of the Roman Catholic Church from 1958 to 1963. Born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli on 25 November 1881, in Sotto il Monte, (Italy), he became one of the most well-liked popes in history. He passed away on 3 June 1963, in Rome and was later beatified on 3 September 2000, and canonized on 27 April 2014.

St Wilfrid, Bishop (Opt Mem) – 12 October:

St Wilfrid (c.634-c.710) was educated at Lindisfarne and spent some years in Rome. He was a strong proponent of Roman observances, especially at the Synod of Whitby (664). He took charge of the new monastery at Ripon and became Bishop of York, although quarrels with the king and the Archbishop of Canterbury led to his exile and five years of missionary work in Sussex, the Isle of Wight and Friesland. He was buried at Ripon and his body later translated to Canterbury.

'Heaven is at present out of sight, but in due time, as snow melts and discovers what it lay upon, so will this visible creation fade away before those great splendours which are behind it'

St John Henry Newman