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This week's First Reading and Gospel, as always, are connected in their underlying message, but upon reflection it might seem that the God of the Mountain appears far removed from the God represented by the father in Jesus' parable. The God of the Old Testament says: "...my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them..." To our ears this sounds more like punitive retribution than the embrace of a forgiving, loving Father welcoming back his wayward son. However, we know in our hearts that the God of the mountain is as far from anger and retribution as the one painted by Jesus. The mysterious, tortuous and wonderful journey of the people, chosen and forged by God into the light for the world, was a journey of dialogue; a dialogue between elected leaders (such as Moses) and God. God is forever demonstrating His mercy through teasing out and inviting Moses and others to understand the forgiveness and mercy He would always provide. In Old Testament times it was a slow process, but in Jesus we have the final fulfilment of this mercy, lived out in flesh and blood.

OUR SICK

Roy Stanford, Enda McSharry, Eileen Hiorns, Patricia Robinson, Brian McCann, Edna Hales, Sue Cleary, Shelagh Price, Jenny Bamber, Michael Gallagher, Miceal Murphy, Hollie Sauvage, Maureen Cowell, Suzanna King

**Warwick Hospital
The Lawns**

Rory O'Rourke
Bridget Hunt, Mary Behan
Rosa Venetico, John L'Estrange,
Kathleen Hammond, Pierre de Spa,
Winifred Galvin
Mollie Benson
Mary Craig, Marie Kelly
Monty Jenkinson
Robbie Burns
Angele Handford
Marjorie Smedley, Frances
Lovell

**Clarence House
Eversleigh N. H.
Clarendon Manor
Stratford
RLS Nursing Home
Woodside
Galanos House**



*This week Our Lady's 7 Day candle
burns for
Owen Bennison, with love, RIP*

RECENTLY DECEASED Cameron Smart

Cameron was recently resident in our parish and tragically died on 26th August, aged 16. Our sympathy and prayers go out to his family. His Requiem Mass will be at 12noon on Monday 19th September, followed by burial at Leamington Cemetery
May he rest in peace and rise in glory

11th September 2016 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH NEWS ITEMS

200 Club: Congratulations to Angela Abbott and Ella Graham, who won the 1st (£50) and 2nd (£30) prizes of August's 200 Club draw, and to Robert Morton and Kim Pope who won the prizes for September. The next 200 Club collection will be on 2nd October.

Scripture Reflection - Lectio Divina: Lectio Divina, or our Scripture Reflection Hour, usually takes place on the third Friday of each month at 10.15am in the Holy Family Room. The next occasion will be Friday 16th September. All are very welcome to this gentle reflection on the coming Sunday's Gospel.

Caring for Creation: Throughout October, after the 5.30pm Mass in St. Joseph's parish centre, five sessions to look at what the Pope has written to us all in his encyclical *Laudate Si*. 6.30—8.30pm with refreshments - All are welcome!

SCJ Sponsored Walk: The Sponsored Walk is one of the main fundraising events for the SCJ Missions and will be on Saturday, September 24th. It is good to help the work of the SCJ as they gave many years of service to this parish in Fr. Brian and Br. Michael. The walk will be on the Clent Hills beginning at **1.30pm**. Walkers and sponsors are required for this event and transport can be provided. It is a spectacular venue catering for all levels of walkers and a great afternoon is usually had by all participants. Have a look at the noticeboard in the narthex!

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of St. Joseph's Primary School: there will be **Mass in the church** at 9.30am on Friday 23rd September. Ex-pupils and staff are most welcome to join us at Mass, and also to **'tea and cakes'** at school afterwards.

Art Class: Has resumed on Wednesdays at 9.30—11.30am in the hall. All are welcome to join us.

Choir Practice: is up and running again on Wednesdays, 8.00pm—new members would be very welcome.

Dates for the future:

25th Sept: 2nd Collection for Fr. Hudsons' Society

NEXT WEEK	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
8.00am	Marian Dwyer, Ted Forde	Adam Borley, Pauline Mills, Sr. Angela
5.30pm	Carol Bowler, Salvatore Monastero	Julia Fann, Jean Feely, Wilf Feely

THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11th September 2016

Date	Church	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 10 September VIGIL <i>Psalter Week 4</i>	Our Lady's St Peter's	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	John McCann (D. Dunbar) Peter Darby (Jean Dougherty) John Blake (Kate Briddon)
Sunday 11 September <i>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	St Joseph's Our Lady's St Peter's St Joseph's	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Private Intention Carla Cefaliello (Woodward Family) People of the Parish Mary Godwin (Marie Banner)
Monday 12 September <i>Feria</i>	St Peter's <u>St Joseph's School</u> St Joseph's	10.00 am <u>2.15 pm</u> 7.00 pm	Hilary Cummiskey (Cheryl Flanagan) Austin O'Carroll (Dublin) (P. Sprawson) Private Intention. <u>Mass in School. All welcome.</u> <u>Rowley Road, Whitnash</u> David Hoare
Tuesday 13 September <i>Memorial of St John Chrysostom</i>	St Joseph's St Peter's St Joseph's	<i>No morning Rosary</i> 12.30 pm 7.00 pm	<i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i> Bob & Stephen Rogerson
Wednesday 14 September <i>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	St Joseph's St Peter's Our Lady's	<i>No Mass</i> 12.30 pm 1.30 pm	Norman Laking (Kate Tennyson) Requiem Mass: Eileen Long
Thursday 15 September <i>Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	<u>Our Lady & St Teresa's School</u> St Peter's St Joseph's	<u>10.00 am</u> 12.30 pm 7.00 pm	<u>Mass in School. All welcome. Windmill Hill, Cubbington</u> Elizabeth Clark (Una Forde) Bernard Abbott (Mary & Jonathan Holden) Sr. Consolata Gallon RIP
Friday 16 September <i>Memorial of Ss Cornelius & Cyprian,</i>	<u>St Peter's School</u> St Joseph's Our Lady's St Peter's	<u>9.30 am</u> 9.30 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	<u>Mass in Church. All welcome.</u> People of Parish with <i>Novena to the Sacred Heart</i> Elaine's father (Private Intention) Sophie Connor (Giovannone Family) Eileen Murphy (Betty Keane)
Saturday 17 September <i>Feria</i> VIGIL	St Joseph's St Peter's Our Lady's St Peter's	9.30 am 10.00 am 12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Special Intention (KH) Mary Haythorne (Tye Family) Susan Day (P. & E. Walsh) Daniel McCann (Maureen McCann) People of the Parish
Sunday 18 September <i>Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	St Joseph's Our Lady's St Peter's <u>St Joseph's</u> <u>St Peter's</u> St Joseph's	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am <u>2.30 pm</u> <u>3.00 pm</u> 5.30 pm	Peter Darby (Dan & Marie Kelly) Teresa Patterson (John Patterson) Paddy Dunbar (Matthew Pettle) Barbara Tandy (Val & Rob Jones) Rosemary Per B.T. Mang (Theodora B.T. Francis) <u>Civic Service</u> <u>Year of Mercy Holy Hour: Exposition, Confessions</u> Joe & Rose McGreevy (McGreevy Family)

THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer at St. Joseph's:

Saturday at 9.15am

Rosary at St. Joseph's:

No Tuesday Rosary

Friday at 9.10am

Confessions at St. Joseph's:

Saturday at 10—10.35am, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Novenas at St. Joseph's:

Novena to Our Lady Monday 7.00pm

Novena to the Sacred Heart, Friday 9.30am

LAST WEEK - 4th September

Offertory: £599.94

No Second collection Attendance 230

ANNIVERSARIES

Lottie Greenrod, John Gilligan, John Kane, John Hawkins, Paul Hawkins, Thomas Shanahan, Barbara Rizzo, Mary Sheard, Ann Sugrue, Owen Bennison, Mary Teresa Curran
May they rest in peace and rise in glory

BAPTISM

2nd October at 12 Noon
Molly-Anne Braithwaite
 and at 1.30pm
Oliver Johnson
 9th October at 12 Noon
Isabella Cleary
 6th November at 1.30pm
Olivia Sarah Dobson
 13th November at 1.30pm
Ella Watton
 in HFR at 7.45pm

THE COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH:

Mon: 8.00pm Dancing
Tues: 10.30am Tuesday Club
Wed: 9.30am Art Class
Thurs: Church Cleaning - Team 1
 10.45-12.15pm Music Group
 7.00pm Weight Watchers
Fri: 10.15am Lectio Divina, HFR
 5.30-6.30pm Karate
Sat: 8.30 + 10.30am Slimming World
 1.30-5.00pm Hall booked
Sun : 2nd Collection, Catholic Evangelisation