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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 17 July 2016

Gospel Reflection

'Less is more' as I have heard said on occasions, and in many situations it can be true. One only has to think of the obvious chore of clearing out the accumulated things that we have hoarded and collected over time. Once the task has been completed we breathe a sigh of relief and feel as if a weight has been lifted off our shoulders. What we have done is to free up our home to enable new possibilities and better use of space.

We may also have had to think of solutions to particular problems in many areas of life, only to discover that the best ones are always the most elegant and efficient. They require less time, less resources and less energy (emotional and physical) to effect a good result. Because we live in a world of activity of many kinds, there is the perception, within most of us, that unless we ourselves are 'working our socks off' we are not productive.

I think this can be applied to this Sunday's short Gospel reading from Luke. At first reading it can seem that poor Martha is the one who is working hard at entertaining but receiving very little help from the rest of the household. She gets little sympathy from Jesus, who appears to rub salt into the wound by implying that her sister is behaving more appropriately! But hospitality, we must remember, is welcoming and sharing our lives with our guest.

The danger is that the 'stuff' of our caring becomes the focus, rather than the person we are loving through that stuff. This certainly resonates with me as a priest and is a timely reminder that the cares, demands and busy-ness of organising and running the affairs of the parish can bring out the 'Martha' in me. Like Mary, we have to find that 'better part' that offers us the time and space to listen to the Lord who always wishes to speak to us. Why do we find this so difficult? Maybe we should pray for the grace to see less as more in our spiritual life. **Fr. Bob**



Recently Deceased:

Ellen Basham, Ronald Boraston, Thomas Rowland, Frankie Stevens, Mike McKeown, Alex Samson, Peter Darby, Betty Sheehan, Ellen Quinn and the souls of all who have departed this life.

May they rest in peace and may their loved ones be comforted. Amen.

Anniversaries

Margaret Morris, Fr Liam O'Connor (former Parish Priest at Our Lady's), David Dunbar, Joseph Mills, Dennis O'Keeffe, Patrick McMahan, Pamela Elkins, Peter Healy, Marjorie Taylor, Evan John Bowen, Gaetan Fallone,

Josephine Carter, William Cronin, Denis Murphy, Craig Berry, Robert McManus, Pasquale Abbruscato, Alfred Berry.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

PARISH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Monday	18 July	Justice & Peace (St Peter's) meeting, Flint Room, St Peter's Hall, 7.30pm
Saturday	23 July	Our Lady's Church @ Lillington Fun Day, The Holt, Cubbington, from 2.00pm
Thursday	4 August	Bible Study course, St Peter's Main Hall, 1.30pm
Thursday	1 September	Bible Study course, St Peter's Main Hall, 1.30pm
Saturday	10 September	Deanery Readers' Day
Monday	12 September	SPAN meeting, St Peter's Hall coffee lounge, 7.30pm
Monday	26 September	Baptism Preparation Meeting, St Joseph's Holy Family Room, 7.45pm
Friday	30 September	Kindaid Quiz Night, Our Lady's Church Hall, 7.30pm

OUR LADY'S, LILLINGTON

The **Annual Lillington Fun Day** takes place on the Holt on Cubbington Road on Saturday 23 July from 2pm to 6pm, so you can come to the 12.30 Mass first. It is a fun day out for all the family, sponsored by local churches. There will be bouncy castles, food, shows and lots of activities. It is all free and a great day out for kids of all ages. Our Lady's will have a stall so do please come and support us.

The draw for this month's **50/50 Club** takes place in the lower hall today after the 9.30am Mass. We always welcome new members. It costs £1 per month per number (any new members would start from the August draw, £5 to the end of the year). If you can get six or more people on your card you can become an 'agent'. The draw takes place on the third Sunday of the month. There are five prizes – first £50; second and third £25 each; fourth and fifth £20 each. The agent for the first prize also gets a prize of £25. If you would like to join please let Sue Sugars know after the draw on Sunday or email LillingtonKindaid@outlook.com.

Our Lady's Family Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. If you are interested in singing with the choir or can play an instrument please just come along, or contact our choir director, Paul Wellicome at email paul.wellicome@zeroesandones.co.uk. Adults, young people and children are all very welcome.

Kindaid was chosen as the name for Our Lady's charity fundraising group because the first two things that we supported were in Kenya and India. The Kiiura mission in Kenya is still very close to our hearts. Ron Hall, whose friend put us in touch with the orphanage and hospital, has visited them twice and maintains contact with them on our behalf. In an email we received this week we heard that they are at present caring for 45 under-fives and 32 older children. The hospital is always in need of additional equipment and has benefitted from medical books donated by Warwick hospital which we managed to export to them in some ingenious ways. The joint organisers are Jo Mander, Liz Mottram, Sue Sugars and they can be contacted at LillingtonKindaid@outlook.com.

Eucharistic ministers, readers, servers, greeters and refreshment helpers are all needed for the Vigil Mass at Our Lady's. If you want to help on the day please come to the sacristy. Otherwise please write your name on the lists in either porch, speak to a greeter or phone Anne Connor on 01926 831822. Sharing the duties will help us ensure existing helpers do not become over-burdened. Thank you.

ST PETER'S, LEAMINGTON

200 Club: The July Draw has seen J Davison (ticket 135) take the first prize of £150.00; second prize of £50.00 goes to Jenny Armstrong (283); third prize of £20.00 goes to Tony Reszka (15) and fourth prize of £10 to Marie Kelly (8). Congratulations to the winners!

Pastimes (at St. Peter's) would like to extend a warm welcome to Lillington and Whitnash friends. We are here every Tuesday afternoon from 1.00pm for a cup of tea and a chat. Some like to bring knitting or sewing and our bridge and Scrabble groups would be pleased to welcome new players. We have two very popular outings every year and lots of new ventures planned. Come and see us on Tuesday for a warm welcome and a decent cup of tea.

Jenny Armstrong has already received some good ideas for running **Traidcraft** stalls after Mass from Autumn onwards. Further ideas would still be welcome. St Peter's is a CAFOD-designated **LiveSimply** church and support for Fairtrade is an important component of that commitment. Jenny can be contacted on 885347 or email jenarmstrong@talktalk.net

St Peter's U.C.M. members: if you're booked to go on our Annual Night Out (this Wednesday, 20 July) please meet at The Moorings at 6.45pm.

Friday Luncheon Club. For many years now a group of St Peter's parishioners have met on the last Friday of each month for a bite to eat in different restaurants. The organisers, Carmel and John, would be delighted if parishioners from Our Lady's and St Joseph's were to come along too. The next meeting will be on Friday 29 July at 1.00pm, at The Angel Hotel, Regent Street. There will be notices posted in the various church porches to add your name and choice from the menu. For enquiries call Carmel on 07941 840433 or John on 429326.

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Thank you for your kind donations last week: **Gift Aid** £25.00; **General** £55.77; **Crisis in Africa** £26.41. **The Jubilee Alms Appeal for Helping Hands** raised £1,139.72.

St Peter's Aid to the Needy — Reg. Charity No. 1040252

Newsletter items by Wednesday:
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ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH

Breakfast after the 8.00am Mass is a success and it would be wonderful if we keep it as a regular feature. A Breakfast Team is evolving but a rota of helpers would help prevent everything falling on one or two people. **Tea and coffee** after the 5.30pm Mass would be a welcome addition to our Sunday activities. There are Volunteer Lists in the narthex.

We urgently require **Piety Shop Helpers**, a couple, or a team perhaps, to run the repository/piety shop. **Minnie Stack** has been organising and running this important facility for 17 years but now has to relinquish responsibility for it. I thank her greatly for the care and work she has put into it over that time. The shop is much appreciated by our parishioners and visitors through-out the year, for cards and gifts, especially for Confirmation and First Holy Communion time. If anyone can help with this, please see me without delay. Training and help will be given. Many thanks, Fr. Bob.

Mass Intentions To request a Sunday Mass at St. Joseph's, write **St. Joseph's and 8.00am** or **5.30pm** on the envelope and place it in the collection bag or hand it in at St. Peter's. For weekday Mass intentions, envelopes can be handed to Fr. Bob as usual.

200 Club The winners of the July 200 Club were Cath Johnson (£50) and Marie McGrath (£30). The next 200 Club collection will take place at Masses at St. Joseph's on 31 July and the draw will take place after the 5.30pm Mass. With the recent changes to Mass times, if anyone currently in the 200 Club would now prefer to pay by Standing Order, please contact Anne Buttrum at anebuttrum@talktalk.net as this can be easily arranged.

Last week at St Joseph's: Mass Count 284, Offertory Collection £520.28, Second Collection £189.84 (SPAN) — these figures are also included in the CPL figure.

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: St Peter's 9.15–9.45am; St Joseph's 10.00–10.45am; Our Lady's 11.45am–12.15pm; St Peter's 4.15–4.45pm.

SUNDAY: St Joseph's 4.45–5.15pm

Exposition St Peter's: Sat 9.00–10.00am; Sun 3.00–4.00pm. St Joseph's: Sat 10.00–10.45am

Angelus St Peter's: 8.00am, 12 noon and 6.00pm

Rosary St Peter's: Tues–Fri after noon Angelus; St Joseph's: Tues 9.10am. Rosary and Novena to the Sacred Heart, St Joseph's Fri 9.10am

Novena to Our Lady St Joseph's Mon 7.00pm. Morning Prayer St Joseph's Sat 9.15am

CPL COLLECTION

First Collection: £1,844.23

Second Collection: £1,139.72
(SPAN Appeal for Helping Hands).

The second collection today is for the ***Apostleship of the Sea.***



At St Joseph's this week Our Lady's seven-day candle burns for the deceased of the Fraser & Conlon families



Children from **St Joseph's Primary School** who visited St Peter's Church on Wednesday 13 July for their Year of Mercy pilgrimage. The children did the Church Trail with their teachers and received a special blessing from Fr John.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers next week: 23/24 July

SATURDAY 23 JULY		
OL, 12.30pm	Eucharistic Minister: George Pearson	Reader: Anna Godwin
SP, 5.00pm	Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Paul Jarvis</i> , Margaret Russell, Carmel Cleary	Readers: Aidrie Felix, Mia Perrins
SUNDAY 24 JULY		
SJ, 8.00am	Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Liam Kearns</i> , John Ireson, Jan Ireson	Readers: June Arran, Sophia Brain
OL, 9.30am	Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Arthur Beaumont</i> , Paolo La Barbera, Paul Hayden, Janette Pacitti (<i>Alfonso Pacitti - reserve</i>)	Readers: Dan Graham, Ros Bass
SP, 11.30am	Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Jennifer Toutoungi</i> , Margaret Simmons, Victor Onwuegbuche, Teresa Giovannone, Emmanuel Toutoungi	Readers: Josh Jijo, Anne Elson
SJ, 5.30pm	Eucharistic Ministers: <i>Jean Feely</i> , Shelagh Price, Wilf Feely	Readers: Honor Hynes, Kate Tennysons

Date	Church	Mass Times	Mass Intention
Saturday 16 July VIGIL <i>Psalter Week 4</i>	Our Lady's St Peter's	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Arthur & Irene Leach (Private Intention) John Davies (Paula Webb)
Sunday 17 July <i>Sixteenth 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	Josephine O'Neill (E. P. O'Herli) Annie McHale (McHale Family) Joe & Rose McGreevy (McGreevy Family) Nicholas Austin SJ (Brian & Janice Austin) Wladyslaw & Norah Reszka (Reszka Family) Dermot Collins (V. & L. Lucey)
Monday 18 July <i>Feria</i>	St Peter's St Joseph's	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Helena Stockford (Mike & Jenny Warr) Loic Tebbs (Paula Newton) Liam & Breda Dowling Special Intention (C & S)
Tuesday 19 July <i>Feria</i>	<i>Mass in school</i> St Joseph's St Peter's <i>Mass in school</i>	9.15 am 9.30 am 12.30 pm 1.30 pm	<i>St Patrick's Primary School</i> Peter Darby RIP (M & D) Bridie McGertie (B. & K. Dunphy) Eileen Yeates <i>St Joseph's Primary School</i>
Wednesday 20 July <i>Feria</i>	St Peter's Our Lady's St Peter's	10.00 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	<u>Funeral Service: Frankie Stevens RIP</u> Val & Brian Murray (S. & J. Rebika) Sr Marie Kenny (Mr & Mrs Graham) John Smark (Anne & John Hornsby)
Thursday 21 July <i>Feria</i>	<i>Mass in school</i> St Peter's <u>Our Lady's</u> St Joseph's	10.00 am 12.30 pm <u>2.15 pm</u> 7.00 pm	<i>Our Lady & St Teresa's Primary School</i> Maudie Kafno (SVP) <u>Requiem Mass: Ellen Basham RIP</u> Private Intention
Friday 22 July <i>Memorial of St Mary Magdalene</i>	St Peter's <i>Mass in school</i> St Joseph's <u>St Peter's</u> Our Lady's St Peter's	9.15 am 9.15 am 9.30 am <u>11.30 am</u> 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	<i>St Peter's Primary School Mass (in church)</i> <i>St Anthony's Primary School</i> People of the Parish <u>Wedding Service: Michael Bell & Mary Wilde</u> Susan Day (Mary Healy) Eileen Murphy (Michael Looney & Family)
Saturday 23 July <i>Feast of St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe</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	David Dunbar (Doris Dunbar) Mary & Leo Henigan (J. & M. Ayres) John Blake (Noel Dillion) Ina Ahearn (Collins Family) Mercedes Connon (Paula Webb)
Sunday 24 July <i>Seventeenth 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	Patrick & Marion Moran RIP (Rosaleen McCabrey) Peter Darby RIP (D. & M. K) People of the Parish Eileen & Tom Twomey (60th Wedding Anniversary) Tony Iwanikiw (Iwanikiw Family) Eileen Yeates (Anne Coombes)

Mass Intentions are now being collated in St Peter's office. Every effort will be made to ensure intentions are said at the church requested. Your understanding is appreciated. Please put your completed Mass Intention envelope (with enclosed donation) into the collection bag at the Sunday Masses. Please include your telephone number on the envelope. Thank you.

Mystery Intentions

Two intentions on white slips from Our Lady's Church were submitted last week (for Matthew Pettle and Patrick Dunbar) but the donor omitted his/her name and the donation. Please get in touch on 423824 (option 0).