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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection There is no ambiguity about today's Gospel, it's message is simple - be alert to the needs under your nose. Without us being aware of the needs of others, our life becomes self-centred and callous. Jesus is asking us to open our eyes to what's around us, to open our ears to the simple commands of the Gospel: love your neighbour. Every hungry man and woman in the world is on our conscience. While we did not create the problem, we can be part of the solution. Our hearts go out to the millions of old and young in the world just because they are hungry. Allow some prayer this week to enlarge your compassion and empathy to those around you who are in need..

Please Pray for the Sick: Morag Wigg, Mary Lamberth, Yoland Rahim, Clement Akujiobi, P J Tunney, Veronica Ugo, Lily Rahim, Patrick O'Reilly, Trisha Weldon, John Curry, Pat Hillman, Clément, Trish, Teresa and Masie.

Please also pray those who have died recently and all the Souls of the faithful departed.

Sat	28/09	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday	Anonymous (In Thanksgiving)
Sun	29/09	11 am	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Moya Toolan (Get Well)
Tues	01/10	6 pm	Memorial of St Therese of Child Jesus	OLW (In ThanksGiving)
Wed	02/10	6 pm	Memorial of the Guardian Angels	Mary McLynn (RIP)
Thurs	03/10	6 pm	Feria	Anonymous (In Thanksgiving to Medical Staff)
Fri	04/10	6 pm	Memorial of St Francis of Assisi	Ana Jaoquin & Andrew Ferrao
Sat	05/10	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday	James Mulneran (RIP)
Sun	06/10	11 am	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mary Cronin (RIP)

Second Collection

Next Sunday there is a collection for Church Repairs and Conference Centre.

Confessions and Rosary for the Month of September

Rosary in the Lady Chapel on weekdays Tuesday-Friday @ 5.30 pm before 6 pm Mass and Sundays at 10:30 am. Confessions on Saturdays at 5 pm or on request.

Baptism preparation course

The next courses will be held on Friday; 8th November 2019 @ 7 pm in the Lady Chapel. Before attending the course please email the office @ stcatsiena@gmail.com for a form which you should complete and return.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA)

Non-Catholics interested in preparing to become Catholic, please email the office @ stcatsiena@gmail.com for details about the RICA programme.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Prayer convention

Catholic Conventions and Healing Service led by Fr. Suji will be held in our parish on the 12th of October (in Malayalam) and 19th of October 2019 (in English).

Intercultural Mass

Intercultural Mass to be held on the 26th of October 2019. Mass will be in our church @ 12 pm. Please see notice board for details.

St Catherine's Parish Lottery Club

Earlier this year we started a Lottery Club. So far we have sold 37 numbers; our aim is to sell at least 100 numbers! You can buy a number for £2 per month /£24 per year (Standing order only). 50 % of all income goes to the church, 25% to 1st number drawn, 15% to 2nd and 10% to 3rd. **Draws will be held on 17th Nov and 15th Dec** after Sunday Mass and winning numbers published in the next newsletter. There are still numbers available - Please contact the office @ stcatsiena@gmail.com.

Prayer for Vocations

Our resident Seminarian begins at Oscott this week. Please keep him and all our Diocesan Seminarians in your prayers. At the doors of Church you will find Rosary for Vocations prayer cards.

Parish Lottery Draw Held on the 15th September 2019

Winning Numbers are: First Prize: **31** Second Prize: **22**, Third Prize: **26**. All winners have been contacted.

SVP Membership

By becoming an SVP member you can make a real difference to the lives of those near you who are suffering. We help all people irrespective of their background or religion. The only criterion for who we help is a person's need. Membership is open to anyone. If you would like to join us Please speak to Gloria or email the parish @ stcatsiena@gmail.com for more information.

Bishop Challoner Teaching School

Invites those thinking of a career in teaching to join them for a free information event. Tuesday 1st October 6 pm or Wednesday 9th Oct 2 pm. More details on www.bctsa.org or call them to arrange a suitable time on 0121 441 6175. Primary and Secondary PGCE places are available for a September 2020 start.

Gift Aid

If you are a tax payer and would like St. Catherine of Siena Church to receive Gift Aid on your donations please contact David Price on 07745610615. If you have already signed up for Gift Aid and would like to make additional donations, please also contact David so that Gift Aid can be claimed on your additional donations. Thank you.

Collection Date	Cash	Envelopes	Total
31/Aug/01/Sept19	£ 328.13	£ 58.00	£ 386.13
07/08/Sept/2019	£ 185.16	£ 28.00	£ 213.16
14/15/Sept/2019	£ 199.49	£ 23.00	£ 222.49

Church Repairs and Conference Centre

We need to raise approximately £50,000 over 5 years to cover the cost of essential Church repairs and a new Conference Centre with Kitchen. Many thanks for all your contributions so far.

Need	Cost
Essential Church repairs	£ 32,500
Conference Centre	£ 14,000
Total	£ 46,500 + VAT
Amount Collected so far	£ 11,693.93
Amount remaining	£ 34,806.07 + VAT