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St. Mary's The Mount Parish Family Wishes You All A Warm Welcome

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Fr. Christogonus SDV,

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MANY ARE CALLED, BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN

In our Gospel Reading for this Sunday, we find out that God's call is being addressed first to the intended guests and yet they, in turn, are not showing any interest at all; thus, the invitation is extended to everyone. However, one's very response matters because it will serve as the basis of being chosen.

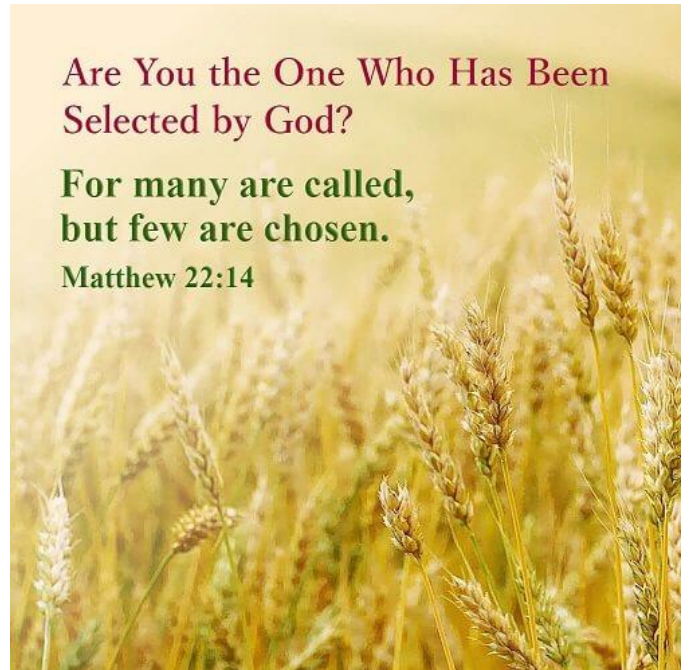
In one of the Sermons of St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, he said "*Qui creavit te sine te, non salvabit te sine te*" which means "He (God) who created you without you, will not save you without you", would also be something we can relate to the situation being presented in our Gospel Reading. As we may notice, since the intended guests showed no interest, the King ordered his servants to invite everyone they could find to the banquet. Yet, as the banquet was taking place the king found someone who was not wearing the required attire which is proper for the wedding banquet. In consequence, the man who was not wearing his wedding garment was thrown out into the dark. This indeed symbolises that the invitation was extended to everyone and yet, having been invited, everyone was expected to demonstrate their cooperation or participation. The said participation is manifested by wearing the proper wedding garment. Looking at it also on the aspect of God's infinite love and mercy, we can all say that many are being chosen and that God has shown it to each and every one of us, and not only for a selected few. However, God is also expecting a kind of co-operation or participation from us; that is why the words St. Augustine said in one of his sermons: "*He (God) created us without us, will not save us without us,*" would make sense especially in the very Doctrine of Participation. God needs our co-operation and participation in order for Him to let His Salvific Work be in each and every one of us.

Therefore, many indeed are called as God's infinite love and mercy is addressed to all of us, and yet few are chosen because among the chosen few others are not showing their very co-operation and participation. Thus, Jesus invites each and every one of us, having been called, to try to co-operate and participate in God's saving plan. May God bless us all.

Are You the One Who Has Been Selected by God?

For many are called, but few are chosen.

Matthew 22:14



INFORMATION

- **PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS:** Last Sunday Offertory – £1805.65 (Standing orders: £686, Offertory Envelopes £119.65) Second Collection 69.78. The value of your donations is increased when it is gift aided. Many thanks for your generosity. *Next weekend (17 & 18 October) there will be a voluntary second collection as our parish gift for Dn. Ritche on the occasion of his ordination.* **Counting teams: this week – Team D, next week - Team E**
- **PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF DN. RITCHE PODADOR SDV:** As a parish, we look forward with joy to the ordination of Dn. Ritche on 18th October at 5:30pm in our church. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, numbers will be severely limited, and we will not be able to accommodate everyone who would like to attend. **With this in mind, only those who have been informed that they have successfully booked a seat will be able to attend the Ordination Mass in the church.** We understand that people will be disappointed, and we thank you for your understanding and co-operation during these difficult times. Those who cannot attend in person will still be able to watch the ordination online. Please keep Dn. Ritche in your prayers.
- **Fr. Ritche's First Mass:** Fr. Ritche will celebrate his first Mass in our church on Monday 19th October at 6.30pm. Please note the change in time. Participation in this Mass will be through the parish booking system. You are welcome to book either online or by telephone.
- **CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS AND ALL OTHER SACRAMENTS:** Holy Mass is celebrated in church every day for the public. Masses are also live streamed through the parish Facebook page and the parish YouTube channel. *To attend a Saturday Vigil Mass/Sunday Mass you must reserve a seat in advance. There is no need to reserve a seat if you are attending a weekday mass. To arrange baptisms, weddings and funerals, please contact one of the priests.*
Please note that all Masses at St. Mary's will continue to be live streamed for the foreseeable future.
- **RCIA Programme 2020- 2021:** The next session of our Come & See programme is on will take place on Monday 12th October at 7.45pm in the parish hall. The topic for this session will be '*The Bible – Old Testament & New Testament*'. All are welcome!
- **Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage:** This year's Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Sunday 1st November at St Chad's Cathedral. Although the service cannot accommodate large numbers due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, couples are encouraged to join virtually. The Mass, at 12noon, will be celebrated for all married couples - especially those celebrating milestone anniversaries during 2020.
- **Piety Stall: Ordination cards** are available from the Piety Stall. If you wish to purchase one, please speak to one of the church volunteers. **The 2021 Mass Ordo of the Archdiocese of Birmingham** is also available from the Piety Stall.
- **Flowers in Church:** The flowers in church this weekend have been donated by Angela Gonsalves in thanksgiving for her daughter receiving her first Holy Communion. We thank Angela for her generosity.
- **Housekeeper Required:** St. Mary's the Mount Presbytery is seeking to appoint a housekeeper. If you are interested, please check the parish website www.stmarysthemount.co.uk for further details. The deadline for applications is Saturday 17th October 2020.
- **APF/Missio Red Boxes:** If you have a red Missio/APF box that has not been collected for over a year, please bring it to church and hand it to one of the priests or the church stewards. You can collect your box the following week from the back of the church.
- **Newsletter:** If you do not currently receive the newsletter by email, but you would like to do so, please email Fr. Jobin at stmary.walsall@rcaob.org.uk and ask to be added to the mailing list.

RESERVING YOUR SEAT FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Telephone Booking Times: Telephone: 01922 622 633 (Ext 1)

Wednesday: 10am – 12 noon, Thursday: 5pm – 7pm, Friday: 5pm – 7pm

Online Reservation: You can reserve your seat online for Mass through the parish website: www.stmarysthemount.co.uk

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer at the Time of Distress

Merciful God come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer for Vocations

Divine Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant us and all the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on us the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to our vocations. Give the church in our Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests, fervent religious and committed lay people. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, Blessed Justin and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve You and one another in faith and love. Amen. Hail Mary.....

Prayer after Communion

“O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and in everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all.” *Bl. Fr. Justin*



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Date	Time	Church/Place	Mass Intention	Offered By
Saturday 10 th	5:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm	St. Mary's St. Patrick's St. Thomas's	Grace Gonsalves – <i>TH, FHC</i> Holy Mass Holy Mass	Angela Gonsalves
Sunday 11 th <i>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00am 10:00am 10:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	St. Mary's St. Patrick's St. Thomas's St. Mary's St. Patrick's	Mary Gallagher - <i>RIP</i> Holy Mass Holy Mass Peggy Potter - <i>RIP</i> Holy Mass	Ann Maybury Val Scully
Monday 12 th St. Wilfred <i>Bishop</i>	9:15am 9:15am 10:00am 7:00pm	St. Patrick's St. Thomas's St. Mary's St. Mary's	Holy Mass Holy Mass Ben Naughton Ann Jennings	Christine, John & Sanuel Freda Hackett
Tuesday 13 th St. Edward the Confessor	9:15am 9:45am 10:00am 6:30pm	St. Patrick's St. Patrick's St. Mary's St. Thomas's	Holy Mass Adoration & Confession Damian – <i>B</i> Healing & Thanksgiving	Damian
Wednesday 14 th St. Callistus I <i>Pope & Martyr</i>	9:15am 6:00pm 7:00pm	St. Patrick's St. Mary's St. Mary's	Holy Mass Adoration for Vocations Holy Mass	
Thursday 15 th St. Teresa of Avila <i>Virgin & Doctor of the Church</i>	9:15am 9:45am 9:15am 10:00am	St. Patrick's St. Patrick's St. Thomas's St. Mary's	Holy Mass Adoration & Confession Holy Mass Private Intention	Veronica Fenlon
Friday 16 th St. Margaret Mary Alacoque <i>Virgin</i>	9:15am 9:15am 6:15pm 7:00pm	St. Patrick's St. Thomas's St. Mary's St. Mary's	Holy Mass Holy Mass Confession J&M Heavin – <i>TH</i> Pip & Charles Nelson - <i>RIP</i>	J Heavin Nelson Family
Saturday 17 th St. Ignatius of Antioch <i>Bishop & Martyr</i>	10:00am 10:30am 5:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm	St. Mary's St. Mary's St. Mary's St. Patrick's St. Thomas's	Holy Mass Adoration & Confession John Heavin SNR – <i>RIP</i> Michael O'Sullivan – <i>TH, B</i> Vigil Mass Vigil Mass	J Heavin O'Sullivan Family
Sunday 18 th <i>29th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00am 10:00am 10:00am 11:00am 5:30pm 7:00pm	St. Mary's St. Patrick's St. Thomas's St. Mary's St. Mary's St. Patrick's	Edward Kulpa – <i>RIP, DA</i> Helen Smith - <i>RIP</i> Holy Mass Holy Mass Luis Jomok – <i>TH, B</i> Ordination of Dn. Ritche Holy Mass	Anna Kulpa Rose Martin Family

C=Conversion, RIP=Rest in Peace, DA=Death Anniversary, S=Sick, B=Birthday, TH=Thanksgiving, WB=Well-Being, H=Healing, SI=Special Intention, PC=Parish Centre, M=Marriage, WA=Wedding Anniversary, Ch=Church, MV=Maryvale, SCH=School, BD=Beechdale, BP=Baptism

Let us pray for those who are sick:

Marie Hornblower, Judith Dunthorne, Patricia Davies, Angela Gonsalves, Margaret Powell, Matthew McGill, Dr. Petroc Willey, Lee Chit Wei, Margaret Abbot, Susan Naughton, Mrs K Carter, Carol Callaghan, Jo Baker, Mrs Small, Peter Corrigan, Josie Kelleher, John Carter, Gilbert Wilkes, Doris White.