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

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A Life Without Possessions

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions.” [Luke 12:15](#)

Imagine what your life would be like if you had no possessions. Imagine that all you had was the clothing you wore, and you went through life relying upon the generosity of others. Though, at first, this may seem like an irresponsible way to live, there are some who are called to a form of this life for a sacred reason. Those called to strict religious life are called to embrace the life of poverty, owning nothing themselves, for a reason. The reason is highlighted in this Gospel.

Too often in life we become consumed with our possessions. It's true that material things can add 'spice' to life. They can be fun, entertaining, comforting, etc. But the danger of becoming attached to the things of this world is that we begin to rely upon the pleasure they bring more than we rely upon the spiritual possessions which are of much greater value. It's not that material possessions are bad, in and of themselves; rather, it's that the spiritual possessions God wants us to obtain are of infinitely greater value.

Most are not called to live lives of material poverty, but all are called to live lives of poverty in spirit. This means that, though we live in the world, we are not to be of the world. We are to keep our hearts attached only to the greatest treasures of life: faith, hope and charity. When greed and love of material possessions draw us from these spiritual treasures, we must recommit ourselves to the discovery of their great value.

Reflect, today, upon any struggle you have with greed. If that does not sit well with you and if you find yourself immediately trying to justify your attachment to material things, then you may need this reflection more than you know. The Lord wants to give you so much more than this world can offer you. Do not make the choice to become attached to that which is 'cheap' from an eternal perspective. Strive to embrace those true riches that will remain with you for ever.

Lord of true riches, help me to always keep my heart set on the riches You bestow and to never settle for those things that can never fully satisfy me. I desire the wealth of Heaven, dear Lord, not the riches of Earth. Help me to live the spiritual poverty I am called to live so as to obtain all that You desire for me. Free me from greed and selfishness and help me to find true joy in Your holy will. Jesus, I trust in You.

Verse of the Week

Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” [Luke 12:15](#)

INFORMATION

- **Parish Contributions:** Last Sunday Offertory: **£1119.00** (Standing Orders: £821 Offertory Collection: £298.00).
Counting: This Sunday - Team B, next Sunday - Team C.
- **Solemnity of St. Justin Maria Russolillo:** The Solemnity of St. Justin Maria Russolillo is on Tuesday 2nd August. We welcome everyone to join us for the Eucharistic Celebration on Tuesday and give thanks to the Lord.
- Fr. Rionelle: We are very happy to welcome back Fr. Rionelle after his holidays.
- **Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall:** The pilgrimage to Harvington Hall will take place on Sunday 4th September. Due to COVID, we have not been able to attend since 2019, but, once again, we are planning to organise a coach from our parishes. The cost will be £15 per person. The coach will leave from St. Mary's church car park at 1.30pm and will return by 6.30pm. Please put your name on the sheet provided at the back of the church if you would like to join the pilgrimage.
- **St. Bernadette Relic Tour 2022:** In September and October, the relics of St. Bernadette will journey on a pilgrimage to England, Scotland and Wales for the first time. This special, once-in-a-lifetime event will allow people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes. In our Archdiocese, the relic will be available for public veneration at St. Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham (Saturday 8th October), and the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford (Sunday 9th October). We have reserved the following time slots for our parish: **Saturday 8th October 12.45pm-1.00pm** (parking on Shadwell Street, Birmingham, B4 6EY) and **Sunday 9th October 1.00pm-1.15pm** (The Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Uxbridge Street, Hednesford, Staffordshire WS12 1DB). Further details will follow next week.
- **Altar Servers:** If you have a son or daughter who would like to be one of our altar servers, please collect an application form from one of the priests. Altar servers must have made their First Holy Communion before training as altar servers.
- **Youth Group Welcome Day:** As part of our preparations towards starting a Youth Group in our church, we are having a Youth Welcome Day on Saturday 10th September, from 1pm – 6:30pm for young people aged 11-16. It is going to be an exciting day of **Faith, Friendship & Fun**. All are welcome. More details can be found on the noticeboard, or you can pick up a leaflet from the church.
- **Parish Centre Keyholders:** If you are in possession of any keys for the Parish Centre, could you please inform Fr. Jobin, using the parish email address - stmary.walsall@rcaob.org.uk - so that we can update our records. Could we also remind keyholders that they should not be duplicating keys? If anyone requires an additional key, please speak to Fr. Jobin.
- **Overseas Charities Committee:** The Overseas Charities Committee welcomes you to attend their **Book Sale and Coffee Morning** after 9 am Mass this Sunday, 31st July. All proceeds will go to fund vital medical care, education and food distribution. Your support is greatly appreciated.
- **Marriage Banns:** We are happy to announce that Lucy Darby & Kieron Hartill will be married in our church on Saturday 6th August. If anyone is aware of any reason why they should not marry, please contact Fr. Jobin.
- **Marriage Banns:** We are happy to announce that Barbara Kuselowska & Jakub Mikolajczak will be married in our church on Saturday 3rd September. If anyone is aware of any reason why they should not marry, please contact Fr. Jobin.
- **Marriage Banns:** We are happy to announce that Adah-kole Emmanuel & Veronica Cheiranthus will be married in our church on Wednesday 7th September. If anyone is aware of any reason why they should not marry, please contact Fr. Jobin.
- **RIP:** Please pray for the soul of Mary Stout, who passed away on 5th July. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers. Her Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 11th August at 10am in our church. She will be received into the church on Wednesday 10th August at 4pm.
- **RIP:** Please pray for the soul of Peter Cox, who died on 18th July. Please keep his wife, Elaine, and their children, in your prayers. His daughter, Libby, is one of our altar servers at 9am Mass. His funeral service will be in our church at 2:30pm on Thursday 18th August, followed by a committal at Cannock Chase Crematorium.
- **RIP:** Please pray for the soul of Patricia Mary Whitehouse, who died on 26th July. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers. Her Requiem Mass will be in our church at 12 noon on Wednesday 17th August, followed by a committal at Streetly Crematorium.
- **Food Bank:** At the moment, we are running short of long-life juice & milk, tinned meat & fish, tea, sugar, toilet paper, pasta, rice, tinned vegetables, tinned soup and tinned fruit. If you are able to donate, please leave items in the basket in the church porch. We are now supporting 6 families, so your donations are more valuable than ever. If you know of another family in need who would welcome support from our SVP Group, please contact Father Jobin. Thanks again for your continued support and your generous donations.

- **Refreshments:** Refreshments are available in the parish hall on Thursdays (following 10am Mass) on Sundays (following 9am Mass). We will continue to follow social distancing and other safety measures.
- **Happy Holidays:** We wish all children and their families a happy holiday.

We highly recommend that everyone continues to wear face coverings inside church.

Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for August: For Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

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, Saint Justin Maria Russolillo 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.” (St. Justin Maria Russolillo)

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2 nd August	Solemnity of St. Justin Maria Russolillo
4 th September	Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall
10 th September	First Meeting of the Youth Group

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Sunday and Weekday Masses

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	MASS INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Saturday 30 th	5:30pm	St. Mary's	Jacqueline Marie Ross - <i>RIP</i>	
	6.30pm	St. Patricks (BD)	Holy Mass	
	6.30pm	St. Thomas's	Holy Mass	
Sunday 31 st <i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00am	St. Mary's	Philip Donnellan – <i>RIP</i> Matthew McGill – <i>B, RIP</i>	Altar Servers Family
	10:00am	St. Patrick's	Holy Mass	
	10:00am	St. Thomas's	Holy Mass	
	11:00am	St. Mary's	Cliff Maybury - <i>H</i>	A Maybury
	7:00pm	St. Patrick's	Holy Mass	
Monday 1 st August St. Alphonsus Mary Ligouri, <i>Bishop</i>	9:15am	St. Patricks (BD)	Holy Mass	
	10:00am	St. Mary's	Cliff Maybury - <i>H</i>	Freda Hackett
	7:00pm	St. Mary's	Peter Cox - <i>RIP</i>	J Gribble
Tuesday 2 nd St. Justin Maria Russolillo <i>Founder of SDV</i>	10:00am	St. Mary's	<i>Thanksgiving</i> Christine Mary Slater – <i>RIP</i>	Parish Memorial
	10:00am	St. Thomas's	Holy Mass	
Wednesday 3 rd	6:00pm	St. Mary's	Adoration for Vocations	
	7:00pm	St. Mary's	Peter Carroll - <i>H</i>	Hugh Carroll
Thursday 4 th St. John Vianney <i>Priest</i>	10:00am	St. Mary's	Tom D'arcy – <i>RIP</i> Mary Stout - <i>RIP</i>	John Heavin J Gribble
Friday 5 th Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major <i>First Friday</i>	6:15pm	St. Mary's	Confession & Holy Rosary	
	7:00pm	St. Mary's	<i>Healing</i>	Chipo
Saturday 6 th Transfiguration of the Lord	10:00am	St. Mary's	Holy Mass	
	10:30am	St. Mary's	Adoration & Confession	
	5:30pm	St. Mary's	Stanley John Davis – <i>RIP</i> <i>Success in Exams</i>	Anne F Kazmie
	6.30pm	St. Patricks	Holy Mass	
Sunday 7 th <i>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00am	St. Mary's	Mary Stout - <i>RIP</i>	Paul Donnellan
	10:00am	St. Patrick's	Holy Mass	
	10:00am	St. Thomas's	Holy Mass	
	11:00am	St. Mary's	<i>Thanksgiving</i>	Angela Gonsalves
	7:00pm	St. Patrick's	Holy Mass	

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

Let us Pray for those who are Sick

Cliff Maybury, Anne Kinsey, Cisily Joy, Margaret Kenealey, Faisal Kazilbash, John Horton, Una Greevy, Aga, James McGeough, Bernadette Duggan, Mavourneen Smith, Marie Hornblower, Judith Dunthorne, Angela Gonsalves, Margaret Powell, Lee Chit Wei, Susan Naughton, Carol Callaghan, Jo Baker, Mrs Small, Gilbert Wilkes, Doris White.