

# PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

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## Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A – 13 July 2014

**Entrance:** *As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory*

**Responsorial psalm:** *Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop*

**Gospel:** *Alleluia, alleluia! Speak Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!*

**Communion:** *The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise*



During the Crusades in 12th century, a group of Westerners took up the life of hermits by the well of St. Elijah on Mt. Carmel. They built a chapel in honour of the Mother of Jesus, conscious that they were living in the area made holy by Jesus and his Mother (Nazareth is less than 20 miles away). When Saracens toppled the Latin kingdom of the Crusaders, the hermits of Carmel had to flee the holy mountain and return to the West - - to Cyprus, Sicily, France, England, Ireland and other countries. They brought with them little more than their title of "Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel." According to tradition Our Lady appeared to the prior general, St. Simon Stock, at Aylesford, England on July 16, 1251. The Blessed Virgin promised St. Simon Stock, oppressed with worries, that whoever would wear the Carmelite habit devoutly would receive the gift of final perseverance. The habit was taken to mean the scapular in particular. The scapular was a broad band of cloth over the shoulders, falling below the knees toward the feet front and back as an apron, worn still as part of the religious habit by a number of orders of monks and friars. As it was gradually adapted for use by the laity, it became two small panels of brown cloth joined by strings and worn over the shoulders as a familiar Marian sacramental. From the 16th century until the Second Vatican Council the scapular received warm welcome from the faithful and enjoyed a singular approval by the Church magisterium. Part of the reason for this esteem was undoubtedly the constant stream of wonderful graces, spiritual and temporal, that were poured out on individuals through its devout use. But another reason for its popularity was its strict connection with the last things, with the salvation of our soul, which takes priority over all our other duties here below. After the Council, the scapular devotion suffered the same "crisis of rejection" that so many other practices and teachings within the Catholic Church underwent. Devotion to Mary expressed by wearing the brown scapular seems to be resilient and resists the attempts made in various periods of history to diminish its value. The faithful keep coming back to it. From the official teaching of the Church, we can gather that the scapular of Carmel is one of the most highly recommended Marian devotions. This is true through the centuries, and into our own times with popes Paul VI and John Paul II. The scapular is what is called a conventional sign. In the case of a conventional sign, the meaning is assigned to the object from outside. Thus a wedding ring is a sign or pledge of mutual love and enduring fidelity between two spouses. In this kind of sign, which is a conventional sign, there has to be an intervention from outside that establishes the connection between the object and what it represents. In the case of sacramentals, it is the Church that determines the connection. Sacramentals also signify effects obtained through the intercession of the Church, especially spiritual graces. The sacramentals -- as holy pictures or icons, statues, medals, holy water, blessed palm and the scapular -- are means that dispose one to receive the chief effect of the sacraments themselves, and this is closer union with Jesus.

## Dates for Your Diary

Please come along and enjoy tea and coffee in the parish room after the Sunday morning Masses

**Please see separate sheet  
at the back of church  
for the tote numbers this week**

The second collection: there won't be one this week

We welcome: Fr. Paul Stonham to the parish today; he will be celebrating the two morning Masses for us

Confirmation Day: today, Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July, during the 11:00am Mass at Belmont Abbey, our young parishioners will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Archbishop George. Please pray for our young people - Esther Johnson, Declan Kinsella, Cassandra Portis, Michelle Solanyk, Pawel Wagner, Krzysztof Kopaczewski, Amy Lanchbury, Phoebe Nairn and Sophie Nairn. Thank you

Fr. Cenydd: is away on holiday until Saturday of this week. The weekday Masses in the parish, three this week, are offered through the kindness of Fr. Frank Slater, the former parish priest of Leominster. Please see opposite for the times of the Masses that Fr. Frank will be celebrating this coming week

Tuesday Devotions: these are suspended while Fr. Cenydd is away

Confessions: at St. Francis Xavier's on Saturday 11.00 am - 12.00 noon and at call

Llantarnam Abbey: as part of the year of celebrations for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Annecy arriving in Britain you are invited to join us in the Ty Croeso Centre for coffee and Welsh Cakes on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July between 10:00am and 2:00pm. A selection of home produce, craft and toiletries will be on sale. (Ty Croeso Centre, Llantarnam Abbey, Cwmbran, Torfaen. NP44 3YJ)

Breast Cancer Care: a Strawberry Tea in the parish hall on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> July between 1:30pm and 3:00pm; all are welcome. For more details contact Mrs Denise Lissaman on 07792 545106

Ordination: Archbishop George will ordain Br. Jonathan to the diaconate at Belmont Abbey on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> July at 11:30am. Ordinations are public events, so if you'd like to attend you are most welcome. As he begins his public ministry – deacons are ordained to serve the people of God – your prayers would come in very handy

A Notice for Stonyhurst Pilgrims: the coach will leave Belmont Abbey on Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am, (so please be there in good time). We will stop in Leominster at 7:30 am as close to St Ethelbert's as we can get and then we are on our way to Stonyhurst with a stop half way or more than one if the need arises. Please bring a packed lunch. The plan is to leave the College at 4 pm and, including a stop or two, to arrive at the Abbey by 8 pm. I am looking forward to seeing you, Lynne

Concert at Belmont Abbey: the annual MICHAEL GRÜBE VIOLIN CONCERT takes place on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> July, at 7:30 pm

The Face of Christ: How do we imagine Jesus? We explore how each age has expressed its faith through its portrayals of Christ. A retreat led by Dom Brendan Thomas at Belmont Abbey, running from Friday to Sunday, 25 to 27 July

Job opportunity: Belmont Abbey Parish is looking for a new organist to accompany and lead their Sunday 11:00am Mass and possibly other parish services. If you know of anyone who might be interested in such a position, please contact Fr Nicholas on 01432 277319 or pp@belmontparish.plus.com

The Peter's Pence Collection: taken on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> June raised **£164.78**

It's all Latin to me: please note that the Extraordinary Form Latin Mass (Traditional Rite) is now on the last Sunday of the month at 12.15pm and on Friday evenings at 6.30pm at St. Francis Xavier's, Broad Street

Emergency numbers: Fr. Michael on 01432 273485, Fr Nicholas on 01432 277319 – for the dying only, please

# Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time

## Psalter week III

Today:

9:30 am Jack Pick  
11:30 am Those being Confirmed today  
6:30 pm

Monday 14 July No Mass  
*St Camillus de Lellis, Priest*

Tuesday 15 July 9:30am Mass –  
*St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

Wednesday, 16 July No Mass  
*Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

Thursday, 17 July 9:30am Mass – Int. of C Rollings  
*Feria*

Friday, 18 July 9:30am Mass –  
*Feria*

Saturday, 19 July No Mass  
*Feria*

Sunday, 20 July (Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

9:30 am Dorothy & Bernard Rohde  
11:30 am Natalie Chadwick  
6:30 pm *Fr Cenydd Marrison*

### Please pray for:

The sick, especially Ann Morris, Brian Morris, Alice Jones, Sue Watkins, Julie Martin, Shelaigh Fawcett, Dymphna and John O'Neil, Andrew Walker, Sylvia Jones, Sylvia Aiello, Chris Turville, Eva Zakrzewska, Pat Franklyn, Joe Carroll, Glyn Matthews, Sam Thomson, Anna Foggo, Catherine Rollings, Katie Richardson, Tony Constantine and all in our prayer book

The recently dead, especially Natalie Chadwick, Ryszard Dabek, Ceri Strong, Jan Prosniewski, Romanita Penālosa, Henry Matty and Vera Lampard

Those whose anniversary falls in the month of July, including: Margaret Town, Bruno Kavaliauskas, Kenneth Nicholas, Jeremiah Scully, Joseph Shawcross, Ellen Devereux, Francis Worsley, Philip Barnacle, Veronica Porter, Thomas Hurley, Ada Tipping, Marion Lewandowski, Francis Heavey, Adelaide Weekes, Veronica Robinson, Thomas Joseph Supple, Helen Banas, Pat King, Kathleen Scriven, Jadwiga Pawlowicz, Dennis Knowles, Jim Greenaway, John Connell, Paula Jenkins, Alan Panario and Susan Doherty

The young man entered the Ice Cream Shop at the amusement park and asked, "What kinds of ice cream do you have?" "Vanilla, chocolate, strawberry," the girl wheezed as she spoke, patted her chest and seemed unable to continue. "Do you have laryngitis?" the young man asked sympathetically. "Nope," she whispered, "just vanilla, chocolate and strawberry."

The promising seven year old was given the difficult assignment in class of describing the taste of chocolate ice cream in a single sentence. "Chocolate," she explained, "tastes the opposite of vanilla."

### Rota Schedule for 18 to 24 July 2014

**Flower Arrangers:** L Meredith

**Cleaners:** Volunteers

**Ushers:** 9:30am J Sullivan & M Whent  
11:30am J McGowan & J Kelly  
6:30pm R & R Seamarks

**Readers:**  
9:30am F Keogh  
11:30am G Markham  
6:30pm G McAleer

### Eucharistic Ministers:

9:30am C Sharland, R Jones, D Lissaman  
11:30pm C Mulloy, F Davies, E Cotterell  
6:30pm J Winter, C Milsom

**Altar Linen:** M Lynch

### Polish Information:

Następna Msza Św w języku polskim odbędzie się w niedzielę, 27 lipca godz 16:00

### Finance:

The collection on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> July will be announced in next week's newsletter



IT'S EXHAUSTING TRYING TO GET ALL THIS ICE CREAM EATEN IN TIME TO START MY DIET ON MONDAY.