



## PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

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### 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time – year cycle B – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2015

**Entrance:** *The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge, for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage and govern them forever.*

**Responsorial psalm:** *O Give thanks to the Lord for his love endures forever.*

**Gospel: Alleluia, alleluia:** *A great prophet has appeared amongst us; God has visited his people. Alleluia*

**Communion:** *The eyes of all look to you Lord, and you give them your food in due season.*

#### **We can and must make things better – Pope Francis's Encyclical**

Pope Francis's ground-breaking encyclical letter on care for creation made its anticipated debut Thursday morning, and once again, the Holy Father has delivered a masterpiece. The document will play a key role in United Nations Paris Climate Change Conference this November and will be a pivotal point of debate around the world. What exactly does the Pope address in this letter? Here are the top five points in what Francis describes as a "dialogue with all people about our common home."

**1. Climate change is real, and it's getting worse.** Though some politicians argue about the reality of the climate change, Pope Francis doesn't mince words: "Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day. If present trends continue, this century may well witness extraordinary climate change and an unprecedented destruction of ecosystems, with serious consequences for all of us."

**2. Human beings are a major contributor to climate change.** While many agree that climate change is real, some believe that human beings don't contribute to it. The science suggests otherwise, and Pope Francis—a trained chemist—says human beings do have an effect on the Earth: "We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will."

**3. Climate change disproportionately affects the poor.** Climate change's worst impact, Pope Francis says, "will probably be felt by developing countries in coming decades. Many of the poor live in areas particularly affected by phenomena related to warming, and their means of subsistence are largely dependent on natural reserves and ecosystemic services such as agriculture, fishing and forestry." This environmental inequality creates a strange economic phenomenon: Poor countries are often financially indebted to rich countries. The world has what Pope Francis calls a "social debt towards the poor ... because they are denied the right to a life consistent with their inalienable dignity."

**4. We can and must make things better.** Some of those who study climate change believe this process to be irreversible, too far gone. But Francis—whose first major letter was entitled *Joy of the Gospel*—says he doesn't believe we should be robbed of hope. "Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start"

**5. Individuals can help, but politicians must lead the charge.** Francis argues that personal responsibility is an important step toward reversing climate change, but that political and structural transformations are needed for lasting change. "Every effort to protect and improve our world entails profound changes in lifestyles, models of production and consumption, and the established structures of power which today govern societies." Some politicians argue that Pope Francis and the Catholic Church should stay out of climate change debates and "leave science to the scientists." But Francis and the church know that protecting creation is first and foremost a moral and religious issue. It's a response to God's ancient request that we preserve, protect, and sustain creation. Francis has said before that he hopes today's politicians will take this responsibility to heart as they address one of the most important issues of our times: "I beg the Lord to grant us more politicians who are genuinely disturbed by the state of society, the people and the lives of the poor!"

## Dates for Your Diary

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

**The numbers drawn week 38 were 1, 30, 44, 23 & 32**  
**No winner**  
**Prize money for week 39 is £425.00, and five numbers to be drawn**

**Second Collection** No second collection today

**Tuesday devotions:** Divine Mercy chaplet and Novena before Mass and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary afterward.

### **Nepal Earthquake**

**There will be a slide – talk on The Kingdom of Mustang, Nepal.**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm at the Meeting House, Kings Street, Hereford.**

**Donations welcome for the Earthquake Appeal.**

**Ministries** if you have signed up to any of the ministries, such as cleaning, reading, altar linen etc.... the new rotas are at the back of church. (on the notice board) There is also a new rota for the Special Ministers of the Eucharist, please take one if you have not received by e-mail..

**National Day of Prayer for Life** ~Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> is a day of prayer and fasting, for the end of Abortion and Euthanasia

**Calling all Golfers Men & Women** The Knights of St Columba will be holding their annual golf tournament on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September, supporting the Priest's training fund of the Archdiocese see notice on the notice board.

### **Our Lady's School Crossing Patrol details:**

This role will be term-time only and you must be available to work between 8.40am and 9.10am and again between 3.05pm and 3.35pm each day. Full training and uniform are provided. If you are interested in applying for this post please contact the School Administrators on 01432 274814 or email [admin@our-ladys.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@our-ladys.hereford.sch.uk)

There are spaces in year 5 – children with birthdays between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2005 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2005 For the term beginning in September 2015

**Our Lady's Parish BBQ - Sunday 28th June**, from 12.30pm (after the 11.30am Mass). Good food, bar, beverages & a bouncy castle. Tickets must be purchased or ordered in advance. They will be on sale after Sunday Masses, or to reserve tickets please contact Fran Keogh on 01432 840847 - Adults & children over 12yrs - £5, Concessionary & children 5-11 years - £3, Children under 5 - free. If the weather is inclement, we will be in the Parish Hall. If you can make a salad see Fran or Annie, or just sign the list at the back of church.

**St Michaels Hospice** Eign Gate shop volunteers are having a "Big Tea" at St Martins Church Hall Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2pm – 5pm all welcome for tea, cake and raffles etc. Please come and join us

THE ART OF THE VIOLIN CONCERT BY FAMOUS VIOLINIST MICHAEL GRUBE  
BELMONT ABBEY, THURSDAY 25TH JUNE 7.30PM REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS NO ENTRANCE FEE

**Advance Notice** Holy Mass will be celebrated at Longworth pre-reformation chapel on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 11.00am

My dear Friends in Christ,

What a wonderful weekend our Parish celebrated last week with the First Holy Communion of 42 of our children. Everyone present at the Mass on Saturday and again in Sunday, including many visitors from Poland and elsewhere, was deeply moved by God's gift to us of this memorable occasion. We pray for the children and their families, that they remain faithful to Jesus, to his Church and to the Sacraments.

Let us pray that our Parish will go from strength to strength and that we will all give powerful witness to our love for God and our obedience to his commandments.

I hope that you will all get the opportunity to read the new Encyclical by Pope Francis and that we can all find practical ways to help save the beautiful world that God has given us to live in, bearing in mind that looking after the environment also implies looking after our souls and nurturing family life.

With every prayer and blessing,  
Abbot Paul

# 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalter week IV

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| <p>4</p> <p>Today:</p> <p>9:30 am <i>Maria Meciina RIP</i></p> <p>11:30 am <i>Nancy Harris RIP Anniversary</i></p> <p>6:30 pm</p> <p>Monday 22 June 10.00 am Mass –<br/><i>St John Fisher &amp; St Thomas More</i></p> <p>Tuesday 23 June 7.00pm Mass – <i>Winnie Crossman</i><br/><i>90<sup>th</sup> Birthday</i></p> <p>Wednesday 24 June 10.00am Mass – <i>Trevor Roberts</i><br/><i>Nativity of St John the Baptist</i></p> <p>Thursday, 25 June 10.00pm Mass –<br/><i>Feria</i></p> <p>Friday 26 June 7.00pm Mass –</p> <p>Saturday, 27 June 10.00 am- 11.00am <i>Sacrament of</i><br/><i>St Cyril of Alexandria reconciliation and Exposition</i><br/>11.00am Mass -</p> <p>Sunday 28 June <i>Feast of St Peter &amp; Paul</i></p> <p>9:30 am <i>John Farren RIP</i></p> <p>11:30 am</p> <p>6:30pm <i>Father Michael</i></p> | <p><b>Rota Schedule for 22 June – 28 June 2015</b></p> <p><b>Flower Arrangers:</b> <i>Carol &amp; Maria</i></p> <p><b>Cleaners:</b> <i>Everyone</i></p> <p><b>Ushers:</b> 9:30am <i>A Rollings P King</i></p> <p>11:30am <i>D Lissaman J McGowan</i></p> <p>6:30pm <i>Mr &amp; Mrs Seamarks</i></p> <p><b>Readers:</b></p> <p>9:30am <i>A Spanjers</i></p> <p>11:30am <i>G Markham</i></p> <p>6.30pm <i>V Woods</i></p> <p><b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b></p> <p>9.30am <i>F Keogh P Buckley D Lissaman</i></p> <p>11.30am <i>K Davis C Mulloy J McGowan</i></p> <p>6.30pm <i>G McAleer</i></p> <p><b>Altar Linen:</b> <i>A Whitehead</i></p> <p><b>Counting</b> <i>Marlene Kathy</i></p> <hr/> <p><b>Polish Information:</b><br/>Następna Msza Św w języku polskim odbędzie się w niedzielę, 28 Czerwca godz 16:00</p> <p><b>Finance:</b><br/>Collection on Sunday 14 June £550.90 Thank you</p> |
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**Please pray for:** The sick, especially Ann Morris, Brian Morris, Alice Jones, Sue Watkins, Shelaigh Fawcett, Dymphna and John O’Neil, Andrew Walker, Sylvia Jones, Sylvia Aiello, Chris Turville, Eva Zakrzewska, Pat Franklyn, Anna Foggo, Katie Richardson, Agnes McGowan, Michael Morris Rita O’Leary Pat Spence, Joshua Isada Joan Berry and all in our prayer book

Those whose anniversary falls in the month of June, including: Russell Sabel, William Collins, Enid Uden, William Lynes, Robert Derbyshire, Irene Gecks, Evelyn Lavell, Iris Croke, Alexa Laszowskyz, Gerald O’Hagan, Esther Scott, Dermot Kelleher, Lewis Murgatroyd, Zbigniew Pawlowicz, Albert LeSurf, John Donelon, Teresa Scraba, Tony Pye, Rose Rattle and Dorothy Rohde , Ceri Strong, Jan Prosniewski, Romanita Penālosa and Henry Matty

Two nuns were holidaying in Europe. And were passing through Transylvania, despite warnings they stayed out after dark. Sure enough as they were driving along a vampire flies out of the night and lands on their windscreen, hissing and baring his fangs.

“Dear Lord! What shall we do?” cries the first nun “Turn on the windscreen wipers, yells the second, “maybe that will break his grip” No luck, but now the vampire is wet and angry, “What shall we do now?” yells the first nun even more frightened. “Weave the car back and forward, maybe he will fall off” says the second nun. No luck the vampire is beating on the glass now, and its starting to crack. “Now what?” cries the first nun. The second nun has a sudden flash of insight, “Show him your cross” she yells,”

The first nun sticks her head out of the window and yells “Get off my car, you foul little vampire before I smack you with my ruler!”

Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the door forever