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The light of the world

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 23rd September 2018 - Year B

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Both churches are monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Saturday 22nd September	Vigil: 25th Sunday	6pm (St T)	Mrs Fay RIP
Sunday 23rd September	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am (SSJFTM)	All Parishioners of Borehamwood
		10am (St T)	Patricia McNulty RIP
		Noon (SSJFTM)	All Parishioners of Borehamwood
Monday 24th September	Our Lady of Walsingham	9.15am (St T)	Timmy Joe Hickey RIP
Tuesday 25th September	Feria	9.15am (St T)	Timothy O'Donovan RIP
Wednesday 26th September	No Mass		
Thursday 27th September	St Vincent de Paul	9.15am (St T)	Michael Brady RIP
Friday 28th September	Feria	9.15am (St T)	Lilly Pinto RIP
Saturday 29th September	Vigil: 26th Sunday	6pm (St T)	Mary & Murtagh Murphy RIP

Reconciliation / Confessions: Saturday 11.00 - 11.30am & 5.00 - 5.40pm. St. Teresa's Church.
Rosary Group: 6.30pm Friday evening at St Teresa's & after Thursday morning mass at St Teresa's

Liturgy of the Word: 24th September (Mass Book page 135)

Entrance Antiphon: *I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.*

Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord upholds my life.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!*

Communion Chant Sunday 10.30am only: *Listen, I stand at the door and knock; open and we shall feast*

Next week's readings: Numbers 11:25-29, Psalm 18:8,10,12-14 resp.v9, James 5:1-6.
 Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Fr Antonio writes:

Every one of us is great at something. Some are great at music, some are wizards at IT while some can speak several languages seemingly without effort. We marvel at man's great achievements like sending a man to the moon, technology that makes life easy for us and advances in medicine that make us live longer. In today's gospel, however, we are reminded of what true greatness is: humility. This greatness that is humility is putting others before ourselves, which means not only being aware of our neighbours' needs but also being prepared to make sacrifices to help them. Humility is also having the qualities of an innocent child. It means knowing that we are helpless and we are nothing without He who created us. And when we come to this self-knowledge and realise who we are, that is when we start to know who God is. We realise that God created us not because He had to but because of His profound love. We can never fully return this love because it comes from the divine, but God intends that we let His love guide the way that we treat our neighbours. When we love our neighbours, we love God. When we welcome our others, we welcome God. And so, let us continue to be a community that welcomes strangers, a community that cares beyond the borders of Borehamwood, and one that strives to be great by being humble.

Come and be a part of your Parish Community and join us for Sunday lunch, dates scheduled for 2018:

28th October

25th November

16th December - Senior Citizens Christmas Party



Certificates of Catholic Practice, we have arranged the following sessions when Fr Dominic will be available to sign these for you. Please contact the Parish Office to book a 10 minute slot within these sessions. You will need to bring your child with you : **Saturday 29th September & Saturday 6th October 10am-noon** **Friday 28th September 4pm-6pm**. At the Presbytery, St Teresa's.

Trip to Bruges!!! Saturday 1st December ... put the date in your diaries, get your spending money ready...**forms in both churches now.**



Baptism: We welcome **Ryan & Ava** who are being baptised this weekend. Our baptisms are held individually on a Saturday afternoon with a Rite of Welcome the week before at your usual Mass. If you would like to have your child baptised, please complete a baptism form & hand in to the Parish Office, or post in the post boxes. You will also need to complete a Baptism Preparation Course. **Next Course is 20th October 4-5pm, St. Teresa's Church.**



Finances: 16th September St T Plate £434.20 Envelopes £400.40, Standing Orders £297, £1131.60 in total. **SSJFTM:** Plate £271.59 Envelopes £135.50 Standing Orders £187, £ 594.09 in total

NICHOLAS BREAKSPEAR CATHOLIC SCHOOL warmly invites you to their **Open Evening** on Thursday 4th October 2018, 5.30pm - 8.30pm (Headteacher's Address will take place at 6.30 and 7.30pm) This is an ideal opportunity for prospective families who are starting to consider secondary schools for their Children. Nicholas Breakspear is a mixed secondary school providing Catholic Education in St Albans.



Allum Lane Holy Souls month Blessing of the Graves will take place **Sunday 4th November 2pm** with Fr Dominic .



International Lunch 2pm on Sunday 30th September

our annual feast for St Teresa and also a chance to celebrate the multitude of nationalities that make up our wonderful Parish. This year proves to be extra special as the Russian Choir will be attending and it is our chance to say Farewell to Fr Patrick who will be returning for the event. You can provide either sweet or savoury dishes from your national country, these can be dropped off Saturday evening or Sunday morning. We are looking for Volunteers to help set the hall up on Saturday 29th and also to help on the actual day. Please let us know if you can help or put your details in the post boxes.

Please don't forget to look at the notice boards for details of job adverts that we receive. We receive adverts for local faith school jobs & for all jobs in the Diocese.



Service of Blessing for pets and animals, St Teresa's Church, Saturday 6th October 3pm.

Bring all your pets to church for this very special service!



Protecting your privacy: Any personal details that you provide to this parish, (name, address, email, telephone number etc.) will be held on file & stored on the parish computer securely. If applicable, your details will also be entered into the appropriate Sacramental Register. For Volunteers groups, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers etc., your details will be shared with other group members in this parish to enable you to arrange cover etc. If you do not wish your details to be shared, please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible.

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FHC 2018-2019 . The programme starts this week with a meeting for parents on **Thursday 27th September 7.30pm** in **St Teresa's Church Hall.**



Confirmation 2018-2019. The programme starts this week with a meeting for **parents & candidates** on **Tuesday 25th September 7.30pm** at **St Teresa's Parish Centre.**



Do you know of someone who has trouble getting to Mass but would like Communion brought to them? Please let us know so that we can arrange for a regular visit for them. Fr Dominic already celebrates Mass regularly in some of the local nursing homes but if you know of a residential home which would be interested in setting this up, please do get in touch.



'Refugees: Where to Start? A Parish Response'

An evening of practical advice on understanding the nature & challenges of the refugee crisis & how parishes, groups and individuals can play their part. Led by Bishop Paul McAleenan, with other organisations including the Jesuit Refugee Service, Enfield Welcome Group, Notre Dame Refugee Service and the Haringey Migrant Support Centre. **Thursday 11th October, 7-9pm, at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN.** Tea and coffee will be available from 6.30pm. Please RSVP to caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk, or call on 0207 798 9030



Russian Choir Charity Concert: Saturday 29th September 7.30pm St Teresa's church: The annual return of our friends from the Russian Choir. Suggested donation £5 on the door.

Contingency Fund Collection: Next week will be the usual end of month Contingency Fund Collection. Work to rewire the Parish Centre following the condemning of some of the old electrical work in the Parish Centre should start 1st October. This of course means an expensive outlay, which we weren't expecting; exactly the situation for which the Contingency Fund is meant, so thank you so much for your contributions.



Thinking of becoming a Catholic? Just want to know more about your faith? Our RCIA course is just for you. Application forms in churches, please complete & return to the Parish Office & we will get in touch with you.