

NEWSLETTER

Gospel Reflection

This week's Gospel gives us a moment to pause and ask ourselves if we have become like the Pharisees – do we throw people away? Do we allow ourselves to buy into the hardness of heart that allows us to justify it? Do we find ourselves choosing the value of one life over another, one person over another, one group of people over another?

Nobody is a “throw away person.” There are sinful people, yes, and we are included in that bunch. There are difficult people, yes, and sometimes we are included in that bunch. There are people that are loved by God, and we are all included in that bunch.

Every person you meet today – friend or foe, rich or poor, sinner or saint – is made in the image and likeness of God. From the beginning, God intended us to see each other that way. Sin happened, and our vision can become distorted. This week, re-read the Gospel and invite Christ to give you eyes to see the world as He sees it, and more importantly, to see our brothers and sisters as Christ sees them.



BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you wish to make preparations for your child to be Baptised you should telephone Fr Simon.

Following this there are Meetings on the first Friday of each month at 7:30pm that you will need to attend, where you will meet Mrs Gerri Doherty and Deacon Tony Ford.

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“United in conviction and united
 in love, with a common purpose
 and a common mind”
 Philippians 2:2

6th OCTOBER 2024 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE B) MASS & SERVICE TIMES		
Saturday 5th October	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 6th October	10:00am 11:00am	Mass (Livestreamed) Shared table
Monday 7th October		No Mass
Tuesday 8th October	10:00am	Mass
Wednesday 9th October	10:00am	Mass
Thursday 10th October		No Mass
Friday 11th October		No Mass
Saturday 12th October	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 13th October	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)

If Fr Simon is unobtainable please leave a message and send an email to stjosephwinsford2012@hotmail.co.uk

200 CLUB DRAW

Winner: £40 Prize
This week – Mr Steve Orford

SPECTACLES FOR MISSIONS

Please continue to bring in your unwanted spectacles and cases

WHY NOT JOIN THE 200 CLUB AND HELP THE PARISH?

Bingo Night

It's that time of the year, we are starting to collect prizes for our bingo night raising money for parish funds. If you have anything will you leave it in the Sacristy marked 'bingo.' The bingo night is on Friday 8 November.

Coffee morning

The next coffee morning is on Tuesday 15th October at 10:30am, everyone is welcome.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING ENQUIRIES

If you are interested in hiring the Parish Centre for a function, please contact Phil Martin on 07720 807162

Prayer for our Parish:

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish
and grant us a new vision of your glory,
a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word
and a new consecration to your service,
that your love may grow among us and your kingdom come,
through Christ our Lord.

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St Joseph pray for us

Gospel Mark 10: 2 – 16



From there he went to the area of Judea across the Jordan.

A crowd of people, as was so often the case, went along, and he, as he so often did, taught them. Pharisees came up, intending to give him a hard time. They asked, "Is it legal for a man to divorce his wife?"

Jesus said, "What did Moses command?"

They answered, "Moses gave permission to fill out a certificate of dismissal and divorce her."

Jesus said, "Moses wrote this command only as a concession to your hardhearted ways. In the original creation, God made male and female to be together. Because of this, a man leaves father and mother, and in marriage he becomes one flesh with a woman - no longer two individuals, but forming a new unity. Because God created this organic union of the two sexes, no one should desecrate his art by cutting them apart."

When they were back home, the disciples brought it up again. Jesus gave it to them straight:

"A man who divorces his wife so he can marry someone else commits adultery against her. And a woman who divorces her husband so she can marry someone else commits adultery."

The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus was irate and let them know it:

"Don't push these children away. Don't ever get between them and me. These children are at the very centre of life in the kingdom. Mark this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in."

Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands of blessing on them.



"Preach the Gospel always, if necessary use words"

St Francis of Assisi