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TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 15 SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
We celebrated our Centenary Jubilee last Sunday. Our Lady of Sorrows Feast falls this Sunday. What blessed weekends we have. Our Lady is the mother for all Christians. She experienced all the worries and problems that we face in our lives today. Even though she was helpless when her Son was being crucified, she stood near to Him. She carried Jesus in her womb and with all the pain in her heart, she trusted in God. Let us seek her intercession for all of us. Happy Feast Day.	Datchet	Sat 14	06.00pm	People of the Parish
	Eton	Sun 15	09.30am	Laurence Beard RIP & Douglas Hill RIP
	Datchet	Sun 15	11.00am	Joan & John Wilson RIP
	Datchet	Mon 16	09.30am	Jesse Grey RIP & Alan Taylor RIP
	Datchet	Tue 17	No Mass	
	Eton	Wed 18	No Mass	
	Datchet	Thu 19	No Mass	
	Datchet	Fri 20	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Rosary: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass	Confession: Any Weekday after the Mass or by appointment		
Benediction: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	Eucharistic Adoration: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

TEA & COFFEE will be served after the 9.30am Sunday Mass at Eton. Please come along.

OFFERTORY: 07 / 08 September: Cash £ 466 SOs £230.

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF DOUGLAS HILL. Douglas's funeral will be held at 1pm on Wednesday 2 October in Eton College Lower Chapel and will be followed by a service at 2.30pm at Slough Crematorium. Please remember Judy, family and friends in your prayers.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS FEAST – ETON: This Sunday 15 September is the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. Let us seek our Lady's intercession for all of us on our Feast Day.

SECOND COLLECTION: This Sunday marks Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel) Sunday. This used to be known as Mission Sunday. There will be a second collection after all weekend masses to support the national work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate.

ADOREMUS – ADORATION: In support of the National Eucharistic Congress, Adoremus (on Saturday 14 September), we will have Adoration and Benediction after the 11am Mass on Sunday at Datchet.

PARISH CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS



THE PARISH PILGRIMAGE is on **Saturday 28 September** to the Birmingham Oratory of Cardinal John Henry Newman. Thank you to those who have signed up already. There are still places and we can take 20 more people. There will be Mass, veneration of the Relics of St. John Henry Newman, a tour of the church and a visit to the museum. Please bring a packed lunch. The coach will be leaving Datchet at 8.00am and returning by 6.00pm. The cost is £10, which goes towards the cost of the coach and the entry donation to the shrine. The cost for Children is £5. **We will be collecting the money for tickets this weekend and next**

THANK YOU

As we celebrated the Centenary Jubilee on 8 September, let us thank God for all the blessings we have received throughout the year and on the day. Many people said that it was a blessed day. Indeed it was!

Bishop David in his email said: "It was lovely to see you again yesterday and to have the opportunity to meet with your wonderful parish community of Datchet and Eton. What a splendid centenary celebration! It was obvious that much planning and preparation had taken place, and everything was delightful. The liturgy was uplifting. The lunch was most enjoyable – thank you for the cake which we brought home. Thank you for the generous parish gift of the vestment. Every time I wear this, I will pray for you and the parish."

I really felt the presence of God, when we were worried about the weather. God showed us His love through great bright sunshine. What else did we need!

I would like to thank the many people who have helped in making our Parish celebrations alive and vibrant. Our Parish Council has been a huge help in dealing with the primary planning for our Centenary celebrations. Under the leadership of Rosalind Nockles, Ros with Christine Grey, Monica Taylor, Jules Potter, Judy Hill, Anne Cannon and Sarah Jones formed a centenary committee, planning everything in detail and in a beautiful way, implemented it on time. Thanks to Pamela Bailey and Michael Reynolds who helped in many ways. Each one of the members has taken responsibility for a specific area of the celebrations' success. Thank you very much for your great contribution to the parish in this regard.

Also, the flower committee – although small in number, the group of Lorette, Monica and Eileen, contributed greatly towards keeping the Church looking its best. As I said on the day, I felt like I was in a beautiful garden that looked amazing. I would also like to thank Maureen Byerly who helped by painting statues and making beautiful table decorations, which looked really attractive.

The organists Phil and Dominic, and all the members of the choir helped in choosing suitable music and hymns, and then meeting together to practice them, encouraging each other. Well done all choir members. A huge thank you also to Danny Mendes, his band BUZZ with friends Martin and John who played popular songs throughout the lunch and created a great atmosphere that had us dancing and singing.

Our children enacted a beautiful Bible story in the very best way. It made the day, and we all felt your enthusiasm and energy for our parish. Thank you to all who helped to produce and rehearse this play, especially Andy Crichton and team.

We can't forget our Altar Servers. Though the space was very limited on the altar, they worked together and served very well during our special service. Our thanks also, to the Readers, Ushers, Sacristans and others on the day. You all did very well. Many volunteered days before and on the day of the Centenary celebrations. I saw many volunteers running in the rain to help people park their cars and to arrange chairs. Well done. I would like to thank Mr Stephan Lazerack who painted the church beautifully, and also Simon Vas, our parishioner who helped in many ways, including tidying and painting the building and surroundings. The Jubilee Hall, our new meeting room was completed on time prior to the Centenary celebration. Our thanks go to David Hillier, the builder who made this possible.

There are others who remain largely silent, but whose valuable service is greatly appreciated. To all, I would like to say a sincere THANK YOU for your encouragement and support. Without you nothing would have been possible. May God reward you for your service to Him in strengthening the good community spirit we enjoy and celebrate. Our celebrations are a time when we come together to thank God for his blessings. Let us continue that in the days and the years to come.

Fr. Shyju