

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.*

**COLLECT**

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,  
at all times go before us and follow after  
and make us always determined  
to carry out good works.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

**FIRST READING** Isaiah 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain,  
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people  
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,  
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove  
the mourning veil covering all peoples,  
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,  
he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away  
the tears from every cheek;  
he will take away his people's shame  
everywhere on earth,  
for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God  
in whom we hoped for salvation;  
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice  
that he has saved us;  
for the hand of the Lord  
rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM** Psalm 22

**RESPONSE:** *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever.*

1. The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**
2. He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. **R.**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **R.**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **R.**

**SECOND READING** Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been  
through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere:  
full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is

nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me  
strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in  
my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ  
Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for  
ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Word was made flesh and lived among us;  
to all who did accept him  
he gave power to become children of God.  
Alleluia!*

Or

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.  
Alleluia!*

**GOSPEL** Matthew 22:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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>Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "The  
kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast  
for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who  
had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some  
more servants. 'Tell those who have been invited,' he said, 'that I  
have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have  
been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding.'  
But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to  
his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them  
and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops,  
destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to  
his servants, 'The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited  
proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite  
everyone you can find to the wedding.' So these servants went out  
on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find,  
bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.<  
When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man  
who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, 'How  
did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?' And  
the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind  
him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there  
will be weeping and grinding of teeth.' For many are called, but  
few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful  
with the sacrificial offerings,  
that, through these acts of devotedness,  
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.*

Or

*When the Lord appears, we shall be like him,  
for we shall see him as he is.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord,  
that, as you feed us with the nourishment  
which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son,  
so you may make us sharers of his divine nature.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

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## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -15<sup>th</sup> October 2023: Sunday Readings: Liturgical Year A Services during the coming week – Twenty-eighth Week of the Year, Year I

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm Confessions  
October 6:00 pm Vigil Mass of 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday, offered for the repose of the soul of Frederick Dooley RIP. Reader: I Suttle, Offertory: Hennon Family

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the Vieira Family. Reader: C Moore, Eucharistic Minister: E Cleary  
October 10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the people of the parish. Reader: N Fox, Offertory: Pakes Family, Eucharistic Minister: M Long

*Please join us for tea and coffee in the Garden Room after 10:00 Mass, prepared & served by Julie & Nigel*

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Feria  
October **No Mass Today**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> St Ignatius of Antioch  
October 10:00 am Holy Mass, open intention

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October St Luke, Evangelist  
12 noon Holy Mass, open intention

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Feria  
October 10:00 am Holy Mass, open intention

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Feria  
October 10:00 am Holy Mass, offered for the Vieira Family followed by Exposition and a Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 5:30 pm Confessions  
October 6:00 pm Vigil Mass of 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, offered for Angelo Paoletti.

**Harvest Fast Day:** Thank you for your generous donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal. Together, we are supporting local experts like Dr Nasha in Pakistan to get help to families and communities when they need it most. If you missed last week's collection, it's not too late to give online - scan the QR code to take you directly to the CAFOD web site donation page or follow the link on the parish web site.



**First Holy Communion 2024:** Parents of children seeking to make their First Holy Communion next year please note registration forms are available at the back of church and on the parish web site – scan the QR code to take you directly there. Please note that parents of First Holy Communion candidates are required to themselves attend the Alpha course which commences 15<sup>th</sup> November - see further details below. Please return completed forms to Fr Luke or Fr Paul. Closing date for registration is 8<sup>th</sup> November.



**Confirmation 2024:** Confirmation classes for candidates wishing to be confirmed in 2024 will again be run in conjunction with St Mark's parish this year. Candidates must register before, or at, the first session which will take place at St Mark's on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November starting at 11:00 am. Registration forms can be found in the church porch, or can be downloaded from the parish web site – scan the QR code to take you straight to the form.



**The Alpha Course:** Alpha is an 11 week course providing an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith, in a friendly, open and informal environment. Alpha is proven to awaken faith in lapsed Catholics, those on the fringe of parish life and those outside the faith. It gives faithful Catholics a path and a language to fulfil their baptismal call to evangelise and it is a proven method of introducing people to a living relationship, a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. This year, attending the Alpha course is compulsory for parents of the 2024 Holy Communion children and for those preparing to be received into the Church at Easter, but it is also open to all parishioners. The course, comprising 90 minute weekly sessions held on Wednesdays commencing 15<sup>th</sup> November, will start at 12:30 at St Mary Magdalens and include a light lunch and at St Marks they will start at 7:30 pm and include a cooked meal. To facilitate catering arrangements, registration of those wishing to attend is important - forms are available from Fr Luke. Closing date for registration is 8<sup>th</sup> November.

**Welcome:** On Sunday, Arthur Finbow will be baptised and we welcome him to our parish community. Please remember Arthur in your prayers, and also pray for his parents, godparents and all his family.

**Thank you:** Thank you to those who gave up their time last Saturday morning to help with the tidy up in the church hall. A great deal was achieved, but much remains still to do and further working party sessions will be organised in the future.

**Church Hall:** Earlier this year, work on the roof on the parish hall was completed when the roof tiles were all removed, new battens and weather proof membrane installed, roof insulation fitted to latest standards and soffit vents installed to allow air circulation and prevent condensation, before the tiles were refitted. It has now been agreed to upgrade the lighting in the hall, replacing the old fluorescent fittings with energy-efficient LED panels similar to those in church. Work will commence shortly.

**The Sick of the Parish:** We ask your prayers for Patrick Doran, Ida James and all our brothers and sisters who are unwell, afflicted, housebound or distressed.

*Lord, comfort and relieve them according to their needs, and grant them the love and consolation of your Spirit. Amen.*

**Our Own Dear Departed:** Of your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for June Drew (2003), Patrick Rea (2007), John Bruen (2013), Fr Martin Orme (2022), Jean Wade-Smith (1990), Josef Stendera (1999), James Wright (1986), Helen Westbrook (1994) and Evelyn Sweeny (1985) whose anniversaries occur about this time.

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*