



St. Bernadette's Tullibody Parish Newsletter

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd September 2023

Parish Diary			
Sat	2nd Sept	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm	Confessions Morning Office and Holy Communion Vigil Mass
Sun	3rd Sept	8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm	Mass Mass (Also on YouTube) Adoration, Prayers & Reflections "Season of Creation"
Mon	4th Sept	9.30am 6pmpm	Mass Fabric & Maintenance, Parish House
Tues	5th Sept	~~~ 7pm	No services Parish Pastoral Council, Zoom
Wed	6th Sept	9.30am 6.15pm	Mass St. Modan's Mass
Thurs	7th Sept	9.30am	Beginning of Term School Mass
Fri	8th Sept	7pm	Mass
Sat	9th Sept	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm	Confessions Mass Vigil Mass
Sun	10th Sept	8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm	Mass Mass (Also on YouTube) Adoration, Prayers & Reflections "Season of Creation"

Parish Offerings ~ 24th August 2023

Gift Aid	£276.00	Non Gift Aid	£470.72	Total	£746.72
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Please pray for



Those who are sick ~

Msgr. Basil O'Sullivan, Seamus Freyne (Father Mike's younger brother), Natalie Otalini, Jade Dicerbo, Stuart Mason, Sean McCann, Sid Davies, Nellie Gallon, Carly Mournian, Brendan Murphy, Vincent McDaid, Peter Douglas, Mary Gordon, Mary Hughes, Peter & Margaret Stark, Maureen McKay, Sarah Jane Connelly, Duncan McGregor, Maria McIntyre, John & Trisha Smith, Drs. Diane & Mike Basquill, Maurice Di Duca, Heather Stewart, Cathy McCallum, Archie Gallaway, Fr John Callaghan, Bishop Stephen, Cathy Fox, Jim McKay, & all those in Hospital & Nursing Homes.

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Marion Heggie, Agnes Roberts, Jim Hislop, Michael McKinnon, Fr. Jim Wallace, William Forsyth, Bridie Lamb, Archie McNiven, Grace & Archie Dickson, Sandy Soave

Readings for 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

First reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

"The word of the Lord has meant insult for me"

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 62(63):2-6,8-9

Second reading: Romans 12:1-2

"Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice"

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

"Get behind thee, Satan!"



Pope Francis
@Pontifex

"In this **#SeasonofCreation**, which begins tomorrow, let us think about these heartbeats: our own, those of our mothers and grandmothers, the heartbeat of creation and of God's heart" *31st August 2023*

Season of Creation

Sept. 1 - Oct. 4



The World Day of Prayer marks the beginning of the [Season of Creation](#), Sept. 1 through Oct. 4, which culminates with the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron of ecology and animals. The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration of prayer and action for our common home. Together, the ecumenical family around the world unites to pray for and act to protect God's creation.

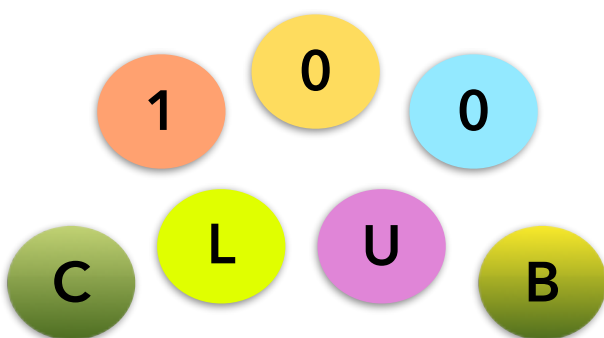
Pope Francis' [Laudato Si': On Care for our Common Home](#) is the first encyclical to focus on the environment as an integral ecology among all of God's creation, including the human impact on life and the poor. Its foundation rests in a long history of [Church teaching on creation](#). This encyclical was written with both hope and resolve, looking with candor and humility to humanity's common future.

The title is taken from the first line of the encyclical, "Laudato si', mi Signore," or "Praise be to you, my Lord." In the words of the beautiful "Canticle of Brother Sun and Sister Moon" of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Francis reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us.

"Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience." –Laudato Si', No. 217

To read more please follow this link >>>>

<https://www.micatholic.org/advocacy/focus/2020/on-care-for-our-common-home-reflecting-on-laudato-si.pdf>



Last Sunday's Winners:

1st ~ 188 = J Ireland

2nd ~ 263 = McKay

The next draw will be in Tullibody on 24th September.



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For information on the ongoing work of Father Mike's religious order Mill Hill Missionaries:-

<https://millhillmissionaries.com/>

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) ~ Monday 11 September 7pm

Since Fr. Mike has been parish priest St. Bernadette's has always had a functioning Parish Pastoral Council. No major decisions have ever been taken in the parish without first having been discussed and decided in our PPC (and in other councils: Fabric & Maintenance; Parish Financial Council).

The Synod process which we are in just now is focusing often on our shared responsibility in the mission of the Church. The spirit of the Synod process should help us reflect on our PPC.

- ◆ How can we increase co-responsibility and shared decision making within our parish?
- ◆ How can we make it a reality we are all responsible for the parish and its mission?
- ◆ How can we increase and facilitate participation?

The PPC really is not so much to make decisions together but a forum to reflect on how the Kingdom can grow and express itself within our parish and its neighbourhoods. Since Covid our meetings are mostly using Zoom. This is very helpful but also has some drawbacks.

Please, if you wish to participate in the PPC but you do not know how to use Zoom on an internet device please ask and someone will be able to show you what to do and how it works. If you find the internet daunting and an obstacle to your participation and would prefer physically meeting in the hall, please inform us, as we will take all suggestions into account as we try to better our parish participation.

People you can talk to:

Fr. Mike - parish priest

Peter Watson - chair of PPC

Ronnie O'Grady - vice chair PPC

Parish Newsletter and Website Meeting

Thursday 6pm in Parish House

Our WEB site has been on the go for a few years now and seems to be a great help to many people. Our Newsletter, both the paper and electronic version, keeps people up to date. However, we are looking for new ideas and ways to make it more attractive and helpful.

Also if you have any technical skills you could contribute with.

All those interested are welcome to join in a conversation with Fr. Mike at the above.