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### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	10:00am	Living Simply
Tuesday	10:00am	Prayer Service
Wednesday	7.00pm	Intention of Georgina
Thursday	10:00am	Una White RIP
Friday	10:00am	George Chong RIP
Saturday	6:00pm	People of UK & Ireland

### **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sunday	8:30am	Denis Turner RIP
	10:00am	People of the Parish
	12:00noon	Nora Kearney RIP

### **CAFOD Family Fast Day – Climate Crisis Appeal**

Our local experts are helping people all over the world to adapt to climate change and protect our common home. This Family Fast Day, donate in the parish using a CAFOD envelope or online through the CAFOD website ([cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis](http://cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis)) and help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis. You can also add your voice to our online petition calling for our Prime Minister to show leadership in tackling the climate crisis, [cafod.org.uk/climate](http://cafod.org.uk/climate). And thank you for your generosity for our emergency appeals to support our sisters and brothers in crisis in Afghanistan and Haiti. You can read more about CAFOD's response at [cafod.org.uk/emergencies](http://cafod.org.uk/emergencies).

### **HOME MISSION SUNDAY**

Home Mission Sunday: the second collection on 25/26 September will be taken for the Catholic Agency for the Support of Evangelisation to support the spread of the gospel and parish evangelisation across England.

### **Mass Counts**

Please note, we will be taking part in the Church's national Mass count on the last two weekends in September and the first two weekends in October, where Mass attendance is counted across all Catholic churches in England and world-wide.

### **Fr Jack**

James is on the war path again this week with more practical advice.

No jealousy, bad ambition, fighting, pride or being prepared to kill.

All these things begin in the hearts of people and kill the soul.

James tells us to be peacemakers, working for peace with the wisdom of God.

Power kills, and absolute power kills absolutely.

*Which is the more powerful?*

A dictator who kills and destroys people and countries.

A celebrity who outshines all others.

An athlete whom we all admire, Emma.

A brilliant politician.

A baby in a pram.

I think the last one is the most powerful.

Powerless, helpless, dependent. And yet he/she is the one to steal our hearts.

Jesus on the cross, powerless, helpless, dependent, could not even give himself a drink and there he changed world history.

### **THE GRASS IS GREENER WHEN YOU WATER IT.**

### **FIRST COMMUNION**

Applications for first Communion for children who have attained 7 years by 1<sup>st</sup> September '21, are now available from Fr Jack.

### **'An environmentally sustainable lifestyle'**

In his September prayer intention Pope Francis invites us to pray that everyone might make choices which promote a simple and sustainable lifestyle.

"It makes me very happy to see that young people have the courage to undertake projects for environmental and social improvement, since the two go together," he said. Pope Francis added that adults can learn much from young people, since they are often at the forefront of issues "related to care for the planet."

"Let us take advantage of their example and reflect on our lifestyle, especially during these moments of health, social and environmental crisis," he said.

We should take the opportunity to reflect on "the way we eat, consume, travel, or the way we use water, energy, plastics, and many other material goods, especially those which are harmful to the environment".

"Let us choose to change!" the Pope urged. "Let us advance with young people towards lifestyles that are simpler and more respectful of the environment and let us pray that we all will make courageous choices".