



St James the Great Peckham Rye
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11th October to 17th October 2021

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	10:00am	Kathleen McMahon RIP
Tuesday	10:00am	James Dermody RIP
Wednesday	7.00pm	John Ryan RIP
Thursday	10:00am	Homeless People
Friday	10:00am	Fr Richard Hearn RIP
Saturday	6:00pm	People of the Parish

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	8:30am	Living in Harmony
	10:00am	All Life on Earth
	12:00noon	Ray Sullivan RIP

PROTECT ANIMALS

On Saturday the 16th October at one o'clock there is a protest march in Trafalgar Square about the protection of animals. Your support would be appreciated. Animals are closer to us than we realise and have no voice but ours.

NUCLEAR -POWERED SUBMARINES

A security pact between US, UK and Australia that will enable Australia to build nuclear-powered submarines for the first time has come under criticism from some church groups.
Pax Christi Australia has said that "Australia has saddled itself with a vast military project of unknown cost and duration".

Volunteers Wanted

The Passage a Catholic Charity working with homeless people has its annual opportunity to take up a public collection on the streets of the City of Westminster on Tuesday 19 October (from 7.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.). In order to make the most of this opportunity to raise funds to support homeless people they need more volunteers on the day. Could anyone interested please contact:

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Praise for Christian Educational Institutions

Pakistan's Sindh province has 116 missionary schools with 56,000 students. At an event on 16th September, Syed Sardar Ali Shah, provincial minister for education, said missionary schools have been providing quality education "long before the foundation of Pakistan" and "are the backbone of knowledge in our country".

Fr Jack

In a week's time Pope Francis will launch a process that has the potential to reshape the church in ways not seen since the second Vatican council.

The global synod "for a synodal Church" begins in Rome this weekend, the 9th and 10th October and then a week later is scheduled to begin in every diocese across the world.

The diocesan phase of this process will run until next April and will focus on listening to and consulting the people of God.

Not every bishop across the world is eagerly embracing the opportunity for renewal and many are lukewarm or apathetic. Some leaders are ignoring the process and taking the view that it does not concern them.

However in our own diocese we are enthusiastically open to the opportunity for renewal and **I hope, here in our parish we will welcome this opportunity.**

As a church since the time of the Apostles we are a church on a journey listening to the Holy Spirit. Prior to Vatican 2, (1963/5) the church was seen as a hierarchical structure with the Pope on top and in charge and people were regarded as not having much to offer, apart from money.

Vatican two stated that the church *is* the People of God and baptised people, share in the mission of the church, in their own right and NOT just as helpers for the priest. However this was very poorly embraced by powerful clergy.

People, priests, bishops and pope are on a level playing field with Jesus at the centre; all of us around Him, who are in need of salvation. He is the way to the Father for all.

SO FOR ST JAMES...

We need two volunteers to be involved straight away.

Kenneth Atigah, who did a fantastic job as chairman of the stewarding committee has been proposed and accepted. Thanks Ken brilliant. We now need one lady please.

Canon Richard Hearn

It is announced with sadness that just after 6pm on 7th October, Canon Richard Hearn, the Cathedral Dean, died following a brief illness, he was 56 years old.

Please remember him, his family and friends in your prayers.