

REFLECTION "Self knows self is not enough"

Sort of doom and gloom readings at first.

In many of our institutions and personal life, there can be the sense of failure and of doom. Peter had a poor night's fishing – never such a bad catch. Money was lost, salaries had to be paid to James' and John's workers, the laughter at him. Doom so bad that he cannot believe Jesus saying to go and fish again.



This story is about working together. From the first we are loved and called together. We don't make it on your own. We follow together. We cannot be Christians on our own. We cannot go it alone. As in Brendan Kennelly's poem: **Self knows that self is not enough.**

This is a call and a challenge today, and a joy. Living in a world very impersonal at times, we need zones and places of community. Much of our communication now can be lonely – Facebook, texts and all are impersonal. We can get used to that.

Gospel challenges the loneliness of going it alone. And the feeling of doom. God is always near promising an abundance. We are never alone and never failures. But we can be failures on our own.

In illness we are totally dependent and in addiction we cannot make it on our own. We could not have got through without the concerned parents group. Marriage needs the support of other couples at its best like Marriage Encounter and Teams of our Lady. Any ministry the same. And all life, married and single, needs friendship. And we are caught together in the big net of God. He enjoys floundering around in the net with us. Be happy and joyful followers of Jesus.



**5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YR C
CHRIST CHURCH CATHOLIC CHURCH,
HEALD GREEN**

Saturday 9th February 2019

(Vigil Mass) 5.30pm

Sunday 10th February 2019

Mass 9am & 11am

(Children's Liturgy at 11am)

				Intentions
Sat	9th Feb	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil Mass 5.30pm	Members of Serra
Sun	10th Feb		Mass 9am Sung Mass 11am	Josie Jepson RIP Parishioners
Mon	11th Feb	World Day of Prayer for the Sick	Celebration of the Word and Communion 10am	
Tue	12th Feb	Ferial	Mass 10 am	Nigel Blakey RIP
Wed	13th Feb	Ferial	Mass 10 am	George Parker RIP
Thu	14th Feb	SS Cyril, Mk & Methodius, B Day of special prayer for Europe	Mass 10 am	Paul Marciniak RIP
Fri	15th Feb	Ferial	Mass 10 am	John Breen RIP
Sat	16th Feb		Mass 10 am Vigil mass 5.30pm	John Hennessey Edward Ribchester

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Fr. Paul will be in the confessional on Saturday 11.30-12 noon and 5-5.20pm.

OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT.

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Next Week : Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Saturday 15th February 2019 Vigil Mass 5.30pm and

Sunday 16th February 2019 Mass at 9am & 11am

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CHRIST CHURCH LADIES' CLUB

Our new season starts on Thursday 14th at 2pm So why not come along, have some refreshment and a natter and find out what we have in store for you this year. Renew your membership or join up for the bargain amount of £5. Entrance fee per visit £3. Any queries call Collette on 01625 875459

PUBLIC MEETING RE PLANS FOR NEW HOMES IN HEALD GREEN 12th Feb 2019

To give you the facts & a chance to discuss the proposals Rate Payers are holding a meeting in the Village Hall on Tuesday at 7.30 pm

Also check Stockport Council for times re a drop-in on Wednesday 13th February

SEE LETTER FROM OUR MP IN THE PORCH - regarding development in Heald Green and Griffin Farm, Stanley Green. You can find out more on www.gmconsult.org

JUSTICE & PEACE AT CHRIST CHURCH

Meeting Tuesday 19th February 7.30 pm here at Christ Church we need new members so please come along and find out what we do—it is not onerous.

The Celebrate North West family conference takes place on April 27-28 at All Hallows College, Macclesfield. The conference is a two-day event packed full of interesting and thought provoking experiences that help to engage and encourage the faith of all ages by offering an all-age, exciting, faith-building experience. Please phone Chris and Martina on 01706 640 359, or email them at north-west@celebrateconference.org or go to <https://www.celebrateconference.org/north-west>

Darwin and the Invisible Gardener: Perspectives on Science and Faith

Lecture by Fr Andrew Pinsent on Monday 18th February 7pm at Shrewsbury Cathedral, Town Walls. Admission Free.

A prayerful reflection on "**The Humanity of Christ**" is the theme for the next Day of Reflection for 'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually') being held on Sat 16 February 2019. Fr Michael Coughlan will lead the day which starts at 9.30am and finishes around 4.30pm ish. The venue is Sacred Heart and St Peter church, Southmoor Rd, Baguley, South Manchester M23 1HP. Payment by anonymous donation (suggested cost £10). Please contact Siobhan Cartwright for further details (siobhanbc@gmail.com / tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761138947). The venue is near Wythenshawe Hospital and Manchester airport, both accessible by public transport.

Serra Meeting on Thursday, 21st February, Chris Glynn will give a talk on "Life as a School Inspector". Everyone is very welcome. The meetings are in the Parish Hall, Christ Church. Mass in at 7.30pm, followed by a light supper and the talk. Please ring Gerry Lanigan (428 9103) early in the week, if possible, for catering purposes

Calling all young Catholics who want to 'make a difference'

Are you a young Catholic between the ages of 16 & 25? Do you intend to volunteer with a project to help the needy and less fortunate in the world or help with a Diocesan or HCPT organised pilgrimage to Lourdes? If so, the Catenian Bursary Fund could help you.

Over recent years we have given over £1.25m to over 10,000 applicants and we want to continue our support. All you need to do is complete one of the application forms on our website, www.catenianbursary.com Please visit and follow us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram & YouTube and you will see feedback on the fantastic help carried out by many young Catholics with our support. And helpful tips and advice from past volunteers— we hope it will give you ideas!

Make a difference in the world!

VACANCIES

St James' Catholic High School

is looking for a cleaner 3 to 6pm each evening, term time only. Further details available from the school website or contact Michelle McCumesky on 482 6900.

St Ambrose College requires 2 Part time Caretakers from February 2019. Please see the poster on the notice-board for full information.

Headteacher Vacancy - Saint Mary's, Congleton

The Local Governing Body is looking to recruit a new Headteacher for their primary school. If you know of a practising and committed Catholic with the right skills who might be interested in leading the school, they would be very welcome to arrange an informal visit in the first instance. This can be arranged by calling the school on: 01260 274690. All information and documentation relating to the role is available on the school website: <http://www.saintmaryscongleton.co.uk/work-with-us/>. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 27th February.

Caritas Shrewsbury currently has 2 vacancies for Family Support Workers (Wythenshawe and Shropshire). Both positions are part-time, and a great opportunity for the right person. For further details and an Application Pack, please contact us: www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk ('Job Vacancies' can be found under the 'News' Section) / Tel: 0151 652 1281 / info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk

HURRAH THE WEBCAM IS BACK ON

Go to www.Catholicmass.org.uk and click on "Find a Church", then click on Shrewsbury Diocese, then Christ Church Heald Green. There is also a link on our website.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND



May the Communion we share today with the members of our parish family who are at home or in hospital, remind us to live for one another and give them a sense of belonging to our family and to this celebration

ROSARY Monday to Friday at 9.30am.

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH is prayed prior to 10 am weekday Mass or Service of the Word & Communion.

DIVINE MERCY GROUP

This group meet each Monday at 2pm in the Meeting Room.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Andrea Lomas will be available on Tuesday evenings 7.30-8.30pm for anyone wishing to discuss arrangements

HOLY WATER

Please note *Holy Water* is available from the stone jar on the altar steps near the Baptismal Font.



Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498

On Tuesday 12th Feb at 7.30pm in St Alban's Parish Centre (Macclesfield) there will be a talk about Cafod's work in Bangladesh by Richard Sloman, Programme Officer for that country. We hope to be presenting him with the cheque for £5475 raised by the Bollington Fun Run on (27/12/18 to take back to Cafod and everyone is welcome to join the talk. Refreshments will be available shortly before the talk commences.