

16th -24th September 2023

Masses and Services

Ramsey

Peel

Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors		
	6.30 pm	Aidan Ginnell (Birthday Remembrance)		
Sunday	11.00 am	Barney McGinley (10th Anniv. Yesterday)	9.00 am	Parishioners
Monday	10.00 am	Mark Burrow	10.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10.00 am	Joan Rigby	Midday	Private Intention
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Canon Alger		
Thursday	10.00 am	Private Intention	Midday	Carla Kroiter
Friday	10.00 am	Sam Smythe	Midday	Dorothy's Intention
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors		
	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Eddie & Antonio Berlanes	9.00 am	Canon Brendan Alger

Confessions: Ramsey - Saturday, after 12.30pm Mass & 5.45 - 6.15pm;
Wednesday 7-7.20pm. **Peel** - Sunday, 8.30 - 8.50am

Last Weeks Donations: Ramsey - £ 730.60 Peel - £223.85

Second Collection for Home Mission Sunday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Peel - Friday after the Midday Mass. **Ramsey** - Saturday 5.30pm - 6.15pm

Readings for the Week

18th September 2023 - **Monday**

1 Tim 2:1-8; Ps 27:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10

19th September 2023 - **Tuesday**

1 Tim 3:1-13; Ps 100:1-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17

20th September 2023 - **Wednesday**

1 Tim 3:14-16; Ps 110:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 7:31-35

21st September 2023 - **Thursday**

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 18:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13

22nd September 2023 - **Friday**

1 Tim 6:2c-12; Ps 48:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3

23rd September 2023 - **Saturday**

1 Tim 6:13-16; Ps 99:2,3,4,5; Lk 8:4-15

Prayer of the Faithful: Father forgive us our sins,
Response: **as we forgive those who sin against us.**

Canon Philip Gillespie thanks all the Parishioners of both Parishes for the wonderful welcome he was given during his summer stay.

Please turn OFF your mobile phone when entering the Church. Thank you.

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Feastdays of the Week

Tuesday St. Theodore of Canterbury. 7th century Archbishop of Canterbury.
Wednesday 17th century Korean Martyrs.
Thursday St Matthew, Apostle
Saturday St. Padre Pio.
Sunday Harvest Thanksgiving

Archbishop McMahon will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Mary's, Douglas on Saturday 30th September at 11am. Three of our young parishioners are hoping to receive the Sacrament.

A few copies of the Catholic weekly newspaper the **Universe** are on sale in the Narthex. There are always articles of interest in each edition. If more copies are needed they can be ordered.

Fr. Philip writes.....

Come ye thankful people.....

Thankfulness is not a passing moment in a Christian's life, but needs to be an attitude of our daily living. At this time of the year in many parts of our Archdiocese there will be Harvest Festivals in our churches and our schools and we express thanks for, and recognise that we should never take for granted, the harvest of the earth. Even if it comes to us pre-packed or tinned, the food that we enjoy has its roots in the earth which is tilled and cared for by human ingenuity and skill – it is quite literally '*fruit of the earth and the work of human hands*'.

So when we keep Harvest Festival, and when we respond to CAFOD's call to a 'fast day' on the first Friday in October (6th October), it is not just thanksgiving for the bounty of the earth and the sea, but also gratitude for those who plough the earth and sea to bring home to us these good things. Mindful also of the exploitation both of natural resources and indeed of human labour, we work and pray for justice and for wisdom in our daily choices and our care-taking of the earth.

Pope Francis wrote of this in his Encyclical Letter, **LAUDATO SI**, which was written eight years ago in 2015 but which is certainly worth revisiting;

In the words of his beautiful canticle Saint Francis of Assisi 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. 'Praise to you, my Lord, through our Sister Mother Earth who sustains and governs us and who produces various fruit and coloured flowers and herbs' (LS # 1)

On the Isle of Man there is a lovely evening hymn which, while sung throughout the year, is particularly suited to this time of the Harvest Thanksgiving;

*Sow in our hearts the seeds of Thy dear love,
That we may reap contentment, joy, and peace;
Then, when at last our earthly labours cease,
Grant us to join Thy harvest home above*

Please feel free to take this bulletin away with you.

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