#### From Sunday's Gospel

# Three Actions Deny Yourself Take Up Your Cross Follow Jesus

Jesus began to tell his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and that there he would suffer and be put to death, but that on the third day he would be raised up. He also said "Those who want to be followers of mine must deny themselves, take up their cross and follow. Those who try to save their own life we lose it, but those who life their own life for my sake will find it. What does anyone gain who wins the whole world but

loses their own life? When the Son of Man comes in the glory of his Father with his angels, he will reward each person according to what they have done."



Pope Francis writes:

"God is faithful, always faithful and continues to be rich in goodness and mercy." In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells his fol-

The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday

lowers how to discover the real wealth of life both on earth and in the world to come. Life in all its fullness comes from being faithful to Jesus, just as Jesus stays faithful to us. To be faithful is to be loyal, reliable, trustworthy, to keep promises and to stand up for the truth. How can we grow in our faithfulness to God and to

each other in this coming week?

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Liturgy of the Word		
6.00pm	P.Redshaw	
8.30am	M.Jefferis	

10.00am S.Rudd

6.00pm M.Jefferis 8.30am E.Davies 10.00am A.Kirkman

#### September 3rd

Liturgy of the Eucharist S.Dyson/T.Spalding S.Crewdson/M.Booth G.Leggat/C.Hall September 10th S.Dyson/T.Spalding S.Crewdson/M.Booth C.Ward/K.McKune

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS First: £346.74: Second £128.80 Shop: £262.56 Thank You

Donations: Ana and Ben's wedding: £87.50Thank You

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## Sacred Heart & St. William

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### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3rd 2017 (Matthew's Gospel)

#### **Times of Masses & Intentions**

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	James Lewis
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Fr Richard Scriven MSC
		Refreshments after Mass
Monday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
	8.00pm	Taizé Prayer group
Wednesday	12.00 noon	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Thursday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Friday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Saturday	10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	Teresa Mulhall & Joyce Lancashire
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Mona Fallows

Confessions: After the 10.00am Mass on Saturday and on request Exposition: 40 minutes before Mass each weekday When there is A Service of the Word & Holy Communion there is NO Exposition

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#### Coffee Morning 22 Church Road

Eamon and Pauline O'Daly thank everyone who provided cakes, raffle prizes etc and all those who helped and supported their Coffee morning last Saturday. £250.00 as raised and all the proceeds will be split between The Sheroes Café in Agra, India and CAFOD.

#### **Back to School, College and University**



Over the next few days many of our younger parishioners will be going to school, some for the first time, others will be moving from primary to secondary school, and still others to Sixth Form College or University. As a parish we wish our children and young people, and their families, every happiness and suc-

cess as they continue their education. As we do not have a Catholic School in the

parish we are indebted to our team of Catechists for their sterling work in supporting the parents, the 'first teachers of their children in the ways of faith.' This is done primarily through monthly sessions of **Sunday School** and the Liturgies of the Word for Children, together with our termly **Faith and Fun afternoons**, all of which are intended to help both children and parents grow in their knowledge and love of the God revealed by Jesus.

Bishop Marcus has made some very significant changes in Sacramental Preparation which will be introduced throughout the diocese in the coming years. It is, therefore, very important that All Parents with children attending Sunday School be at the First Meeting on SUNDAY OCTOBER 1st after the 10.00am Mass—Please make a note of this date. Thank you (The Saddleworth Olympics finish Sunday 24th!)



#### Sacred Heart & St William Parish Retreat

Friday 27th to Sunday 29th, October 2017 at The Loreto Centre in Llandudno. If you have taken a form and intend coming on the retreat please return it to the presbytery. In response to re-

peated requests for Scripture insights the main input will be on **THE GOSPEL of MARK** which will be the Gospel from Advent 2017 to Christ the King 2018.

#### <u>Caritas Leeds—Formal Launch September 23rd 2017</u> What are the AIMS of Caritas Leeds?



The vision for **Caritas Leeds**, driven by the ethos of the **Year of Mercy**, is to create a forum where all charities, agencies, projects, services, groups that are involved in social action or social care in the **Diocese of Leeds**, whose work is inspired by the Gospel and operate in accordance with Catholic doctrine and social teaching, can network in order to:

Assist the Bishop in exercising **'his proper pastoral solicitude for the service of** charity in the particular Church entrusted to him as its pastor, guide and the one principally responsible for that service.'

Assist the Bishop in encouraging and supporting 'the initiatives and works of service to neighbour,' and encouraging 'in the faithful the spirit of practical charity as an expression of the Christian life and in sharing in the mission of the Church.' (To be continued)



#### Cross Channel Swim

Fantastic news received Wednesday that Nick with his companions completed the cross channel swim at "0400hrs yesterday (Tuesday) morning on a large slimy rock

somewhere near The Cap Safe" (Nick's words!) Congratulations to Nick who, hopefully will be back this weekend when he is sure to be pleased to collect the sponsorship!

#### Autumn Course for Saddleworth Churches and Friends



'A faith to face Brexit, foreigners, terror, austerity and Grenfell!'

A look at how the Gospels see Jesus dealing with similar problems in his day led by Brian Cordingley and Howard Sutcliffe. It will begin

on Tuesday September 5th at 2.30pm or Thursday September 7th at 7.30pm-in both cases at Uppermill Methodist Church. All welcome



#### Thought for the week

Knowledge is being aware of what you can do. Wisdom is knowing when not to do it!