



## ST MICHAEL & ST GEORGE

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*Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023*

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A**

*Mass Intention: Richard Arnold Yorke RIP*

Entrance Hymn: 877

Offertory Hymn: 715

Kyrie: M21

Acclamation: M41

Communion Hymn: 967

Gloria: M25

Great Amen: Plainchant

Recessional Hymn: 862

Sanctus: M39

Agnus Dei: M20

*The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.*

### WELCOME EVERYONE

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

Children over 4 years old are invited to go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, hanging on the chairs at the back of church may be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass.

Please replace them after use and before leaving the building.

After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

### MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mr T Booth; Mrs L Orme

Readers: Mrs M Ferrie; Mr T Banda

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs P Ryan

### THIS WEEK

The Cathedral is open every working day from **1000hrs - 1600hrs**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Sept: *St Cuthbert, bishop*

Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Sept: *Feria of Ordinary Time, Week 22, Year I*

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Sept: *Feria of Ordinary Time, Week 22, Year I*  
1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week II)  
1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

**Rudolph Hirschfeld RIP**

Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Sept: *Feria of Ordinary Time, Week 22, Year I*

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Sept: *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
1400hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

### NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mrs P Ward; Mrs P Rossiter

Readers: Mrs S Cole; Mr D Parry

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs Y Spreadborough

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, together with working to assist those caught up in natural disasters, in your personal intercessions.

### RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

It is planned to hold courses for both teenagers wishing to explore the possibility of Confirmation and adults who seek to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church. The sessions will take place on Tuesday afternoon/evening and sign-up sheets for those interested are available at the back of the Cathedral.

### LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 871 3076 9598

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87130769598?pwd=dE1lZmROa2g4WE9Gb3F6R3c3dVF6QT09> Passcode: 155155

Wednesday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 827 3918 3723

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82739183723?pwd=a3V4Q20vR2c5aGZoeG1MbWwyd0s4UT09> Passcode: 842391

### ECUMENICAL INVITATION

To mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the unveiling of the statues of modern martyrs above Westminster Abbey's Great West Door there will be a series of sermons on the lives of those depicted. The first, on St Oscar Romero, is next Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> September. These sermons will be preached during Choral Evensong in Westminster Abbey at 1500hrs on Sundays throughout the autumn. No booking is required and further details are available at: [www.indcatholicnews.com/news/47840](http://www.indcatholicnews.com/news/47840)

### EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

The Margaret Beaufort Centre for Biblical Studies will be running a ten-week short online course offering creative engagement with a breadth of texts and methods in contemporary biblical studies. The course which runs from Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 to Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 between 1730hrs and 1900hrs is taught by a team of leading specialists in the fields of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, Second Temple Judaism, and New Testament studies. Sessions will range across studies of the Pentateuch and Prophets, Wisdom literature, Gospels and Pauline literature, as well as less familiar texts, providing a snap-shot of the diversity of texts and approaches. The course is open to all who are interested in enriching their knowledge of Scripture, with no prior study required. The course will be recorded and related course information will be available on an online platform. Places may be booked via: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/margaret-beaufort-biblical-studies-course-tickets-657430250577](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/margaret-beaufort-biblical-studies-course-tickets-657430250577)

### SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY

The next Open Door Retreat Programme begins in October. Details are available on the noticeboard, Bishopric website and via leaflets at the back of church.

### AND FINALLY ...

... yes an optimist can be wrong in the same way that a pessimist can be wrong, but the optimist is far happier about it.

*With every blessing*  
*Fr Nick*