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In the Gospel for today, according to Mark, we learn of Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, who was sitting at the side of the road when he heard that Jesus was approaching. Bartimaeus began to shout, "Son of David, Jesus have pity on me," but was scolded and told to be quiet by the people

around him. Nevertheless, he shouted louder. Jesus eventually heard him, stopped, and asked for him to be brought to him. People around Bartimaeus told him to get up as Jesus was calling him.



Bartimaeus threw off his cloak and went to Jesus. "Master, let me see again." Jesus' reply was, "Go, your faith has saved you". Immediately, Bartimaeus' sight returned and he followed Jesus along the road.

In the Gospel for recent Sundays, we may recall that not even Jesus' twelve disciples had displayed such faith, even though they walked with him. When Jesus spoke of his future sufferings, the disciples (particularly Peter) would not accept it. We learnt that 'they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.' They expected some special reward for following Jesus, and he caught them arguing amongst themselves about which of them was the greatest.

At one point, Jesus called the people and disciples to him and said, "If anyone wants

to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me." In this respect, Bartimaeus was well ahead in his understanding of carrying his cross. The story of the healing of this blind man, Bartimaeus, takes us beyond

the group of twelve disciples to the wider Christian community which is also called to follow Jesus on the way to the cross, but is often reluctant to do so.

According to Mark, this miracle is an

attempt by Jesus to open the eyes of his disciples. Bartimaeus becomes the model of the true believer. He sees, not only with his physical eyes, but spiritually too. When he asked Jesus, "Let me see again", Jesus responds not with something like "See, your sight is returned", but "Go, your faith has saved you". It is the blind man's faith that has enabled him to follow Jesus.

He had left everything. While he was still blind, he had thrown off his cloak- all that he had to give him protection and security - then jumped up and came to Jesus. He had renounced his old self and had come with his cross- his blindness- ready to follow Jesus. Bartimaeus is the model of the true believer, and example for us all at the start of the Year of Faith in our Church.

Al Callan

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 27th/28th October 2012 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Sat 6.30pm Glady Robertson (Heather Trutwein)

Sun 9am Bridie Morrissey RIP (Una Morrissey & Family)

11am Kate & Fred Sage 50th Wedding Anniversary

12.30pm Baptisms: Dominykas Sadauskas, Rakshana Godfree Robert and Grace Louise Goggin

6pm People of the Parish

Daily Masses 29th October-3rd November 2012

Mon: Feria

9.30am Peggy Reeves RIP (Eileen Kaye)

Tues: Feria

7am Teresa Creta RIP (Tina Pozella)9.30am Jim Durney RIP (Alice Feeley)

Wed: Feria

7am Vincent, Jageth, Anita & Mickel RIP (Family)

9.30am Maria De Mello RIP (Michael De Mello)

Thur: ALL SAINTS holyday of obligation

7am Welfare of Hughie, Tony & Simon Doherty (Family)

9.30am People of the Parish

8pm Welfare of Pauline Welham (Heather Trutwein)

Fri: COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED- All Souls

7am Hilary Bouldon RIP (Rosemary Durkin)

9.30am Wong Family RIP (Teresa Bredl)

10am Exposition and Benediction

8pm Carmel McGuinness RIP (Peter Hogan)

Sat: Feria

9am Joe Nason RIP (Family)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 3rd/4th November 2012 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Sat: 6.30pm Angela Fernandez RIP (Nubia & George Carro)

Sun: 9am In Thanksgiving (Tissera Family)

11am Kantaswany Santhirasegarm RIP (Family)

12.30pm Baptisms: Connie Maeve Shepherd & Hayden Alfie Mann-Johnson

2pm Surbiton Cemetery- Blessing of the Graves

3pm Kingston Cemetery- Blessing of the Graves

6pm People of the Parish

Retiring Collection for the

Archbishop's Diocesan Administration Fund

Last week's Offertory Collection

for the upkeep of the church : \pounds 1,801 MISSIO: \pounds 355

We thank you for your continued generosity . (Cash counters this week: Paul & George Hoskins Next week: Pam Ford & Vivian Phillips)



We welcome into the Church Enya Betsy-Lee Hodgson & Lucas Hendrick Thomas Weereheim who were baptised last Sunday.

READINGS

This week: 30th Sunday in OT (B) page 149

First Reading Jeremiah 31:7-9

God will bring men and women home, from wherever they are scattered.

Second Reading Hebrews 5:1-6

A reflection on the priestly dignity of Christ.

Gospel Mark 10:46-52

Our Lord responds to an appeal and heals a blind man.

Next week: 31st Sunday in OT (B)

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First Reading Deuteronomy 6:2-6

The people of Israel are called to dedicate themselves completely to God.

Second Reading Hebrews 7:23-28

Christ's power to save is utterly certain, for he remains for ever.

Gospel Mark 12:28-34

Jesus sums up his teaching with the two great commandments.

We pray for all the faithful departed who have recently died. We pray especially for John McCormack, Father Josef Gula S.Chr, Elanka Nayagam (father of Uma Baskara), Sheila Cook, (sister-in-law of Eileen Sullivan), Barbara Coombes (mother of Debbie Board) and Dennis Conroy.

We pray for all those who mourn and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We remember all our **sick and elderly parishioners**, those in hospital, the housebound and those who care for them:

Evie Durkin, Clint Sampson, Ralph Cooper, Rouben Sarkissian, Francisco Dirago, David Moss, Linda Kirk, Bishop Patrick Lynch, Frank McCabe, Sheila Doyle (sister of Philomena Olliffe), Jan Lewandowski, Tom McGlone, Jean Studham, Emma Rees (daughter of Sue Rees), Elizabeth Gillman, Michael O'Brien, Rhian Knapgate, Brenda Killeen, Barbara Stevenson, Peter and Ann Groves, Baby Ella Hayes, Amandina Marsella, Mora Witton, Stephen Fleming, Derek Wells, Roisin Loftus, Theresa Keys, Maureen Dillon, Felicia Nazareth, Mary McDonnagh, Fr Simon Peat, Thomas Haley, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, Charles Thurley, Sandra Burlinson, Sophie Burridge, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, Nicky Bushell, Shirley Enright, Tom Tyler, Finn Jordan, Margaret Inskip, Giancarlo Palermo, John Gleeson, Jeffrey D'Cruz, George Hayes, Michael Hoskins, Michael Byrne, Martin Dray, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion and Norma Latham.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30am to 10am and Saturday 5.30pm to 6pm

Secondary School Priest Supplementary Forms

Please note that Fr Anthony & Fr Arbo will be available to sign the priest verification forms for secondary schools on Monday 29th October from 6pm to 7pm & Tuesday 30th October from 3pm to 4pm.

Please note that these are the last signing sessions for secondary school forms.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please note that Mass Intentions for all dates in November are already fully booked. Mass Intentions for all weekends in December are also fully booked. If you wish to put in a Mass Intention for a date in the New Year (2013) please let us have it as soon as possible. We ask you for your patience and understanding due to the large number of requests being received.

WEBSITE:

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- FR JOHN DIVER was formally inducted as parish priest of his new parish, St Lawrence of Canterbury, Sidcup last Saturday by His Grace, Peter, Archbishop of Southwark. Pictures and a write up can be found on the parish website. Congratulations to Fr John.
- ◆ For this Year of Faith, Pope Benedict has encouraged us to study and reflect on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Well, we have discovered an easy way to do it! Simply go to our parish website, follow the link to The Year of Faith Page, click on the link in the 19th October update, subscribe to the Catechism, and you'll start getting a little bit of the Catechism emailed to you every morning. Read that little bit every day and you'll read the whole catechism in a year.

During the month of November you are invited to remember all your deceased relations and friends at Mass each day. Special printed lists are now available at the back of the church for you to write the names of your family & friends on. These lists will be placed in a special basket which will be brought to the altar at the Offertory at every Mass in November.

PARISH LENTEN PROJECT AGM

The AGM for the Parish Lenten Project will take place on **Sunday 25th November at 7.15pm** in the Old Chapel. All are welcome to attend. We are always looking for new helpers/volunteers/fundraising ideas.

If you have a charity you would like the parish to support in Lent during 2013 then please complete the charity nomination form which can be found at: http://www.olionline.co.uk/parish-groups/lenten-project/ and come along to the meeting.

You can also find blank copies of the form at the back of Church or obtain one from the Parish Office.

Once you have completed the form please either email it to info@olionline.co.uk or place it through the Presbytery letter box.

If you would like any more information please contact Phil Townsend on 8399 3481 or email Townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY-THE BLESSING OF GRAVES

The annual blessing of graves will take place on Sunday 4th November.

2pm at Surbiton Cemetery and 3pm at Kingston Cemetery

Kingston and District Life Group:

Our Reel Film Show raised £235 for Life. Thanks to all who supported this event. Your generosity is much appreciated

OLI SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR : 1ST DECEMBER

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OLI School PTA needs your help!

Do you work for a bank, accounting firm, insurance company or large corporate? Does your company run a Matched Money scheme, under which it donates to a charity an amount of money relating to the amount that an employee fund raises for a charity such as OLI PTA. (Examples of companies, which run such schemes include RBS, Santander, Citibank, PWC, Ernst & Young, Legal & General, Unilever and Reuters). If yes to both these questions, can you spare a small amount of time on the day of our Christmas Bazaar to work on a stall? You could then obtain Matched Money funding from your company. Please do help if you can - it is such an easy way to raise money for the benefit of OLI school. Please contact Elspeth Casey, Treasurer, OLI PTA (elspeth.casey@rbs.com) if you can help.

ADOPTIVE FAMILIES NEEDED

Cabrini Children's Society is seeking to recruit adoptive families for the large number of children who need stable, loving homes. We need Catholic families for single children, groups of brothers and sisters, children with disabilities and children from black and other minority groups. All the children have experienced loss and trauma, but all can benefit from family life. If you are single or in a couple and feel you have something to offer, please ring us - a telephone call does not commit you to anything but we would like to hear from you. We provide information, training and on-going support. Please contact us at Cabrini Children's Society, 49 Russell Hill Road, Purley, Surrey CR8 2XB. Telephone our Purley Office: 020 8668 2181 or telephone our Brighton office: 01273 810280 or email adoption@cabrini.org.uk, mentioning 'Parish Campaign'

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PRAYER SPONSORS

A very big 'thank you' to all of you who volunteered to be a prayer sponsor this year. Please collect your letters from the RDJ Room after Mass, which lets you know the name of the child you will be praying for.

31st October 2012- The Singing Priest of India

Fr Paul Poovathinkal (known as the singing priest of India) will be singing some special classical Indian and spiritual music on Wednesday 31st October. All are welcome to attend and enjoy the music.

From the Syro Malabar Group