

What next?

Some years ago I heard a Hindu riddle. Question: 'What do you when you reach the top of the pole you've been climbing?' Answer: 'Learn to fly.'

The young man who ran eagerly up to Jesus and knelt respectfully at his feet was not trying to test Jesus or catch him out. He genuinely wanted to know what to do next. He had climbed to the top of the pole of the Jewish morality he had been taught: he had kept all the commandments and gathered many possessions, but he knew that something was missing in his life. All his good deeds and all his wealth had not satisfied his deepest longings.

Jesus did not criticise or condemn what the young man had been doing. In fact he affirmed it, repeating the commandments. But when the young man said, 'Yes I've done all that. What else must I do?' then Jesus looked right into his heart with real love and recognised what was going on: it was all about himself. He was entirely focussed on what he could do and what he could possess. He needed to know that real life is about what God does and what God gives.

That's when Jesus invited him to learn to fly: to let go of everything he had been holding onto and to throw himself into the arms of God - to give up his wealth and his position and join the followers of Jesus, wandering the paths of Palestine, relying on the hospitality of others, having nowhere to lay his head, but rejoicing in the love of the Father.

The young man went away sad, because the challenge was too great at that point in his life. We don't know whether he ever came to realise that Jesus was offering him the only way he could find happiness. Sometimes we get wiser as we get older. Sometimes it dawns on us slowly that even if we achieved everything we'd ever dreamed of doing and possessed everything we'd ever desired, there would still be something missing. Real happiness is not achieved or gained but received: being loved by someone opens us up to experiencing the all-embracing love of God. At some point we all need to stop climbing and learn to fly.



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Monday 15th October <i>St Teresa of Avila</i>	9.00am	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday 16th October <i>St Hedwig</i>	8.30am 9.00am 7.30pm	Rosary Mass & Exposition Novena
Wed 17th October <i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>	8.30am 9.00am	Rosary Mass & Exposition
Thursday 18th October <i>St Luke</i>	8.30am 9.00am	Rosary Mass & Exposition
Friday 19th October	8.30am 9.00am	Rosary Mass & Exposition
Saturday 20th October	9.00am 12.00pm 5.00pm 6.00pm	Eucharistic Service & Exposition Baptisms (by appointment only) Confessions Mass
Sunday 21st October	10.00am 12.00pm 4.00pm	Mass Baptisms (by appointment only)

Sunday 14th October 2018—28th Sunday of Ord. Time.—
Day of Prayer for Prisoners & their Families

Your prayers are asked for those who have died recently, especially
Rose Ferris, Tracey McConnell, Terry Flynn, Jamie Doyle, Henry Annett, Christina Hegarty, Mary Eileen McGuinness, Alan Barnes, Martin Denson, Joe Miller, Thomas Lewis, Kenneth Sinclair, Molly Foulger, Steven Crellin

And for those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

*Tony O'Donnell, Robbie & Patty Foley, Tommy Johnston, Walter Deegan,
Amanda King, Andrew Wright, Christine Wright, Mary Pittaway,
Thomas J. Wallace, William Corrigan, Stephen Corrigan,*

Please pray too for all those who are lonely or housebound, for those who are sick, at home or in hospital, and all those visited by our Eucharistic Ministers.

October is the month of the Rosary, here in St Teresa's we have the Rosary



every morning from Tuesday to Friday at 8.30am.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament also continues each morning after the 9am

The second collection THIS weekend is for CAFOD.

WELCOME We are delighted to welcome Remileigh Barry & Melody Alex Mooney who were both Baptised into our faith community last weekend.



The Canonisation of Blessed Oscar Romero will take place by Pope Francis in Rome this Sunday, 14th October. So that more can join in the spirit of thanksgiving Archbishop Malcolm will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral on **Sunday 28th October at 11am**, Archbishop Malcolm has invited everyone to attend. There will also be a National Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday 3rd November at St Georges Cathedral, Southwark.

PACT - This Sunday is Prisoners Sunday, the day we pray for prisoners and their dependants, it begins the ecumenical week of activity called Prisons week.
There will be a number of prison week flyers in church with the daily prayers for the week.
This year the theme is "Go Beyond" and reflects on the impact we have when as a community we

WINNING NUMBERS for draw on 10th October 2018

3; 4; 10; 26

NO WINNER of the Jackpot of £627

(subject to re scrutiny)

Estimated Jackpot for the next draw on
17th October 2018 is £818

Two consolation prizes of £25 each:

129453; 128031

Many thanks to all who support our Parish Lottery and to the Team who run it for us. Your support is really appreciated!

Charity Car Wash for HCPT at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th October from 10am

Come along and get your car cleaned by the best! Where else can you get your car cleaned and a bacon or sausage sandwich at the same time?



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EXHIBITION - '50 Faces' of the Holy Land is a photographic exhibition commissioned by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales to highlight and promote the lives of the faithful in Israel, Gaza and the Occupied Territories. The photographs taken by Marcin Mazur show how the faces of people are marked with the history, the diversity, the joys and sufferings of the Holy Land. Each face tells a story. Each person, a memory.

The exhibition has been shown at the Balfour Conference, Clifton Cathedral and recently in the Houses of Parliament. It will be displayed in the Metropolitan Cathedral from Sunday 29th September - Sunday 21st October. Archbishop Patrick will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on Wednesday 17th October at 5.15 p.m. for the intention of the Christians of the Holy Land. All are welcome.



SYNOD 2020:

Next weekend is the first Synod Sunday. There will be a letter from the Archbishop telling us about the Synod and about how we can get involved. The Archbishop will also tell us why he has decided to call a Synod. A special leaflet has been prepared which you will be able to



Lourdes 2019 Be part of something special...be part of the Liverpool Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes! July 18-27 2019, £530. applications available to download from 1st October from animateyouth.org for those age 15 (or in year 10) to 22 years of age.