

## Thought for the week

The serpent, which robbed the world of charity, and ushered in death, was called by Jesus *a murderer*. St. John wrote, “*Whoever hates his brother is a murderer*”. This is the same as saying that whoever hates his brother has in him that evil seed which was in Cain, and which is in all violent people, a seed that constantly generates death.

Antonio Rosmini

## Gospel Reading (Eighteenth Sunday) Year A (Matthew 14:13-21)

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, “This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves. Jesus said to them, “There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.” But they said to him, “Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.” Then he said, “Bring them here to me” and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.



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## SEVENTEENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

<b>SATURDAY</b> 25th July	9.30 am St Theresa's St James Apostle Feast	Kaz Iwanowski RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b> 26th July	9.30am Seventeenth Sunday	Sophie Hales RIP
<b>MONDAY</b> 27th July	9.30 am St Theresa's Feria	Anna Hardy RIP
<b>TUESDAY</b> 28th July	9.30 Sacred Heart Feria	Father Ted GE
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 29th July	9.30 am St Theresa's Saint Martha memorial	Victor Bastiampillai RIP
<b>THURSDAY</b> 30th July	9.30am St. Theresa's	Father John Daley GE
<b>FRIDAY</b> 31st July	9.30 am Sacred Heart St Ignatius Loyola memorial	Monica Osborne GE
<b>SATURDAY</b> 1st Aug	St Alphonsus Liguori Memorial 9 am St. Theresa's 6.30 St Theresa's	Mass All parishioners Anna Hardy RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b> 2nd Aug	Eighteenth Sunday 9.15am St Theresa's 11.15 am Sacred Heart	Mass All Parishioners Anna Hardy RIP

**Divine  
Office**

**Week1**

**SAFEGUARDING  
OFFICERS**  
St Theresa's  
Brenda Bentham  
Sacred Heart  
John Mumford

For Confession please call the parish office.

Any items to be added in the Newsletter, please send it by Thursday.

**“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that, by the gift of the same Spirit, we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation through Christ our Lord. Amen.”**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION – There are a number of ways that you can continue to make an offering whilst we are all in lockdown:-**

- 1. Cheque made payable to St Theresa’s R C Church**
- 2. Post enveloped cash through presbytery door ( collected daily)**

**For those who use online banking:-**

- 3. Standing order – Account name:- St Theresa’s R C Church, Sort code: 309618, Account number: 03831076 and your name as the reference.**
- 4. Direct debit – same details as above.**

**If you do not use online banking the bank forms are available from St. Theresa’s – please request one and it will be posted out to you.**

**Dear Parishioners,**

**Hope all of you are well. Hope to see many of you next Saturday and Sunday. All those who are on the parish register should have received the letter sent out to you, if you have not please take the parish registration form and fill and send it back to us. Please bear in mind to keep yourself safe. Meanwhile continue to pray for one another, keep the good spirit and stay safe.**

**God bless us all.**

**Fr. Tom**

**We are thrilled to say that applications for Team 20-21 remain open!**

**Based in Derbyshire at our retreat centre (The Briars), successful applicants will live together in community for 11 months, working across the Diocese of Nottingham with young people in Schools and Parishes and providing Digital Ministry and content via our YouTube channel, thus carrying out the mission of NDCYS**

**Applicants should be ages 18-25**

**August 2020 - July 2021**

**For more information or for an application pack please email [director@ndcys.com](mailto:director@ndcys.com)**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Bazaar at St. Theresa's

Envelopes Loose Plate	
Total Collection	

Thank you



Prayer for Protection: 'May the unfailing protection of the sacrifice we have received never leave us, O Lord, and may it always drive far from us all that would do us harm.'

## ANNIVERSARIES:

### St Theresa:

Margaret Brooker, Gerald Bellew, Angela Wileman,  
John Cockrane, Bessie East, Rosemary Chandra, Ella Cooper,  
Emma Wardle, Minna Smith, Michael Gunn, Keith Fosberry,  
Ellen & William Billson, Josie Gregory, Eleanor McDonald,  
Keith Glover, Ted Wells, Tom Stephenson, Tom Gibson,  
Victor Bastiampillai, Tadeusz Wrobleski, Deborah Carolan  
and Michael Linnett.

### Sacred Heart:

Recently Deceased: Pauline Jackson & Anna Hardy

## **SICK IN THE PARISH:**

St Theresa: Yvonne Wagemaker.

### Sacred Heart:

Matty Hatton, Marie Lee, Claire Hill, Paul Lallo, Soundrie Alles,  
Marina Anandappa, Sally Knight, Carolyn Hanley, Matthew  
Hewitson,  
Anna Ibanez, Norah Miller, Christina Prioretti, Gracie Mendonca,  
Clem Jansen, Sean Harrison, Neil Walton, Chloe Holton,  
Sarah-Jane Loughran, Joe Ibanez, Paul Gaddle, Penny Rowe,  
Annie King, Ian Willocks, Kenneth Scullion and June McNeelance.