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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	9:30am	John White RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Francis Hartley RIP
Wednesday	7:00pm	Fr Albert van der Most RIP
Thursday	10:00am	Anna Claypole & Parents RIP
Friday	10:00am	Forgiveness, Healing, Love
Saturday	6:00pm	Fr John O'Callaghan RIP

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	8:30am	Intention of John Hazel
	10:00am	Anthony RIP
	12:00noon	People of the Parish

POPE FRANCIS

Changing the way we look at poverty also involves shunning the idea that poor people are solely responsible for their situation, Francis warns. "We are now seeing the creation of new traps of poverty and exclusion," he notes. And he blasts those "unscrupulous economic and financial actors lacking in a humanitarian sense and in social responsibility" who also create poverty. The Latin American pope also highlights the link between poverty and women because of discrimination. "Women, so often discriminated against and excluded from positions of responsibility, are seen in the Gospels to play a leading role in the history of revelation," he says. "Poverty is not the result of fate," Francis insists that, more often than not, it is not the people themselves who are responsible for the poverty they experience; nor are they victims of destiny. "Individualistic lifestyles are complicit in generating poverty, and often saddle the poor with responsibility for their condition," he argues. "Yet poverty is not the result of fate; it is the result of selfishness," he insists. The pope says that resolving poverty is an issue directly linked with the very existence of democracy. "If the poor are marginalized, as if they were to blame for their condition, then the very concept of democracy is jeopardized and every social policy will prove bankrupt," he says. Francis instituted the 'World Day of the Poor' in 2016. It takes place each year on the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time on the Church's liturgical calendar. This year the 5th such observance will be celebrated on November 14. It also in this context that a global gathering including people in precarious situations is expected to be held from November 11-14 in Assisi, the Italian birthplace of St. Francis. It is expected that the pope will attend.

Read more at: <https://international.la-croix.com/news/religion/pope-francis-calls-for-a-different-approach-to-poverty/14470>

Fr Jack

Our faith tells us that Jesus is always around. We just need to believe it and trust it. Today in the boat the apostles panicked, they forgot he was on board. And immediately He calmed the storm. Did He calm the storm, or was it their awareness of his presence that brought them security? Personally, I prefer this option. That's what prayer is, being aware that Jesus is about and all will be ok. There was an urgency. He does not always respond so quickly, but He does always respond. In his time yes and that is what we have got to trust. Paul tells us "The love of Christ overwhelms us when we **reflect**." When we spend time in reflection, life changes. We see other possibilities. When we strive to become better than we are, everything around us becomes better too.

PARENTING PROGRAMME

A number of parents were enquiring about help with the whole question of family life. If you would like to be part of this group, not necessarily because you have problems, but to be part of it and help and build friendships; then please let me, or one of the stewards at the back of the church know. Then we can plan the next step. We all need a way out of this lockdown, so please speak, or send a message through email.

Bishop Pat's Do

Sunday evening (20th) at 6pm in Camberwell, a mass, presentation and social. We have ten places; please let me know if you wish to attend.

Pope Francis calls for "a different approach to poverty"



Pope Francis has called on world leaders to find a new and better way to fight poverty. And in his message for the Fifth "World Day of the Poor", which the Vatican released on Monday, the pope ...
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