ST. KENTIGERN'S CHURCH

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TWENTYFIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
HOME MISSION SUNDAY

18th September

Message from the Parish Priest

My Dear People,

Self interest is not a very noble thing is it? "Looking after yerself.." is not a compliment at all and indeed would be seen as something to be ashamed of. It is a common feature in today's culture though, and one would be considered foolish not to practise it. "The more you do they more they want you to do" my mother used to say and she cleaned other folks house in order to help my dad save up enough to put a deposit on a house to better ourselves in the 1950's (I'm getting old!).
Anyway that is not the point- I digress. Our Blessed Lord was not behind the door you know in his observation of human nature in Nazareth where he grew up. He noticed how some people behaved and uses the lesson for our good.

The rich man he uses as an example, finds out that the guy he employs to run his accounts has been "wasteful" with his Boss's dosh. Note that he had not been dishonest with his property – simply wasteful and therefore lacking application to the task he was paid to do.

This is the reason why the Master is going to get the Auditors in and find out just exactly how wasteful he had been and then give him the sack. "You are not to be my steward any longer."

This makes the man sober up fast and he gets to work in self interest. He calls all those who owe his boss money and asks them how much they owe. Note how lazy and inept he was. He did not even know just how much they owed the Master- his Boss.

However he knows how he will gain their favour and therefore have "pay back time". He calls them in and finds out how much they each owe-" One Hundred ?– here write down Fifty" and so on.
It is a good job it was not modern book keeping which is computer based. You cannot change amounts like that and halve them because they can be traced . The Chairman of the RBS found that out did he not-Big Time and BHS boss? However, our Lord uses the man's astuteness in looking after himself in money matters & applies it to eternal matters.

The lesson is to the children of God – learn from this man's pursuit of self interest (children of this world) and see that you invest in the grace of God and so inherit Eternal life.

Money is tainted but eternal life never gets inflated or burnt or wasted or lost or stolen. Pursue that with all the keenness that the lazy and wasteful steward did and you will benefit as children of the light. That is our Blessed Lord speaking to us. Take note and live it.
God Bless you and all you love,

My Blessing,
Fr Tom Connolly

Mass Schedule & Activities

MASSES THIS WEEK
Mon—Fri **9.30am**

Sat **11.30am**
& **6:30pm** Vigil Mass

SUNDAY: **9:00 am**
11am
& 6:30pm

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CONFESSIONS
Sat. 12—12.30p.m. and 5.30—6.25p.m.

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BAPTISM PREPARATION
Baptisms by prior appointment only.
Baptism Preparation
1st Sunday of the month 3pm
In Church

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EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS NEXT WEEK
Mon — Fri
2—4 pm
Sat:10.30am– 11.25am

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Credit Union
Friday Evening—Marian Room

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Lectio Divina
Thurs 7.30pm in
St Edward's sacristy.

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Legion of Mary meet on Mon. at 7.30pm in the Presbytery

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon: St Januarius & St Thodore of Canterbury
Tue: St Andrew Kim & Paul Chong and Companions
Wed: St Mathew Apostle
Fri: St Pius of Pietrelcina
Sat: Our Lady of Walsingham

SICK: Elizabeth Leyden, Michael Nolan, Mary Fitzpatrick, Anette McHale, Mariakutty Jose Uzhathil, Gertrude Thompson, Chris Lydon, Mary Murphy, Ann Nolan, Chrissie Molloy, Eddie Gollagher, Martin Walsh, Irene Farrally, Eileen Ramsbottom, Ann Brady, Beeanne Grady, Aiden Kennedy, Anne Judge, Michael O'Connor, Brendan Byrne, Francis Maher, Mary Cummins, Elizabeth Flanaghan, Peter & Tom and Brenda Lynch, Eileen Dunne, Christine Booth, Teresa Arngola, Jimmy Leonard, Canon Kevin O'Connor, Theresa Regan, Tasha Sweeney, Ita Conway, Terry O'Neill, Harry, Robert Delaney, Sadie McLoughlin

LD: Nora Bryne (6.30pm Tue 20th Funeral Mass), Vitucho Seminario.

ANNIVERSARY: Sylvia Cummings, Kirsty Rafferty (20th), Brian Williams, Afram Zair, Michael Mercer.

MASS ON THE SATURDAY OF THE MARIAN PROCESSION at St Kentigerns will be at 10am- 1st October so we an get there at St Edward's for the beginning of the Great Procession of our Faith in our streets with our Bishop leading. This is especially needed and appropriate for the Year of Mercy ending. Our Lady is the Mother of Mercy.

Collection £ 564

Director– Kevin Fitzpatrick: 2242033 / 07912287289

St Kent's the Place to be

MON: Irish Community Care & Ladies Darts
TUE: Irish language classes & Don Night
WED: Bingo & Adult Dancing
THU: Ceili/Set Dancing
FRI: Irish Dancing classes
SUN: Salsa

SEPTEMBBER
Sun 18th—All Ireland Football Final & Tony Cagney
Fri 23rd—Charity Night for the Christie's—Live Bands
Fri 30th—Fundraising for Little Sister of the Poor. Dancing to Pat Jordan & his band & JIB Disco

LIVE STREAM MASSES and EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT— tune in and share the link with your families and friends. People confined to their homes and those who now live away from our parishes would be able join us daily by connecting to http://stkentigern.co.uk/livestream.html

Greygarth Club and Study Centre Boys 10-18. club.greygarth.org.uk Contact the Secretary 0161 224 2582, secretary@greygarth.org.uk

Portland Club. Girls aged 7-10. Contact Judith 07868055620 judith_sheehan@hotmail.com

LEGION OF MARY: (Our Lady of Knock Praesidium) meets now in the presbytery on a Mondays at 7.30pm. All fellow apostles welcome.

THANK YOU TO ALL
"Can I thank all of you who were able to make it to my 40th Anniversary of Ordination on Friday night. The big do afterwards with the food put on by Kevin & Tine Fitzpatrick and the music was wonderful and I thank you for all your kind wishes, prayers and cards and gifts on what was for me a very enjoyable & spiritual occasion."
My Jubilee Mass was recorded on Church Services internet you can find the link above.
Father Tom

UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN INFORMATION- make sure you look for your Catholic Chaplaincy. To find your local Chaplaincy, and for contact details of all the University Chaplains and Catholic Students Societies, visit the "CathChaps" website: www.cathchaps.co.uk

LAMPEUSO CROSS PILGRIMAGE- for the Year of Mercy Reception of the Cross Saturday, 24th of September 2pm Salfor Cathedral.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER - "His Holiness invites all to join him in prayer for Peace on 20th September , the day of the Inter-religious gathering in Assisi presided over by Pope

NATIONAL SHRINE OF PADRE PIO– Day of prayer and reflection at Pantasaph. Sunday 25th September. Bring a Packed lunch, tea and coffee provided. £14.50. Coaches leaves St Edwards: 9:15am, St Cuthberts: 9.30am. Return 5pm.. All booking/ enquires Mary Walsh 0161 474 0964.

MARIAN PROCESSION- The Marian Procession in South Manchester will be on Saturday 1st October 2016, starting at St Edward's Church at 10.30am. **Volunteers to carry the Cross and the statue of Our Lady would be welcome,** as would marshalls and first aiders. There will be a Marian Day of Recollection for all volunteers (carriers, marshals, first aiders, etc) on Sunday 25th September at 5pm at St Edward's Parish Hall in Rusholme, as part of the preparation for the Marian Procession. For more information please contact 0161 817 2222 (Ext.245) or email Ada Collazos at acollazos@fraternas.org a promotional video is at: www.goo.gl/URKQr3

REBUILDING ENGLAND'S NAZARETH - On the 24th September we shall be celebrating the feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, and on this weekend the Bishops have asked all parishes to have a second collection to help in the developments of England's National Shrine to Our Lady. We are looking to upgrade existing buildings and build new facilities, to help us serve the increasing numbers of pilgrims, who continue to walk in the Walsingham Way, since the shrine was established in 1061. Our aims are to update our facilities, and to make provision for sick and disabled pilgrims and to have facilities for young people to come on pilgrimage. Full details are given on our website www.walsingham.org.uk Thank you for your generosity. Mgr. John Armitage Rector

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM– 24th September celebration Mass celebrated by Bishop Arnold at Our Lady of Grace, Fairfax Road, Prestwich M25 1AS Rosary & Confessions at 3pm. Celebration of Holy Mass 3.30pm All are invited for refreshments after Mass.