

*"For many are called, but few are chosen."
Matthew 22:14*

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Newsletter 10 - 18 October 2026

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year A Weekdays Year 2

	Market Drayton	Intention	Newport
Saturday 10 October <i>Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	Priest's Intentions	Mass 5:30pm
Sunday 11 October 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass 11:00am	Michael Cartwright RIP	Mass 9:15am
Monday 12 October <i>St Wilfrid</i>			
Tuesday 13 October <i>St Edward the Confessor</i>	Zoom Eve Prayer 7:00pm		Mass 10:00am
Wednesday 14 October <i>St Callistus</i>	No Mass		No Mass
Thursday 15 October <i>St Teresa of Ávila</i>			Mass 7:00pm Latin
Friday 16 October <i>St Hedwig St Margaret Mary</i>	Rosary 7:00pm		Mass 10:00am Adoration & Benediction
Saturday 17 October <i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>	Mass 9:30am	Priest's Intentions	Mass 5:30pm
Sunday 18 October 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass 11:00am	People of the Parish	Mass 9:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes before Wednesday or after Saturday Mass or by appointment

Day of Special Prayer for Prisoners and Dependents Prisons Week 11 - 17 October see over →

⦿⦿⦿ Last of the 4 Annual Mass counts today Please try to be here at Mass to be included

Readings for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time year A Psalter week 4

Ent antiphon If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

1st reading Isaiah 25: 6-10. *The Lord will make a feast, and he will wipe away tears for all faces.*

Response **In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending. x4**

2nd reading Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20. *I can do all things through him who strengthens me.*

Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which he has called us. Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14. *Invite to the wedding feast as many as you can find.*

Comm ant The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

11th PRISONS WEEK
A PRISON OF HOPE



MATTHEW 22:1-14
ALL ARE INVITED
THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU

CATECHESIS for all resumes on **Tuesday 13 October 7:00pm in Market Drayton** and on **Friday 16 October 10:30am in Newport**. Everyone is welcome to attend these sessions, you can attend either venue, there is no need to book, and each session is a stand-alone session so you can start at any time; everyone who attends seems to enjoy taking part. Why not come along and try? Future dates: Tuesday 10 November 7:00pm and Friday 13 November 10:30am



Tuesday 1 December 7:00pm and Friday 4 December 10:30am

Next **Confirmation Catechesis** on Saturday 24 October on at 10:30am in Drayton and 12:00 noon in Newport.



First Holy Communion Meeting for Parents and First Communion Children on Saturdays 10 October and 17 October at 10:30am in Drayton and 12:00 noon in Newport.

Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: Brenda Chadwick, Pat MacGregor, Glynis Kirton, Clarice Clack, Freya Jackson, Fr Anthony Wild, John O'Rourke, David Smith, Niall Gallivan, Faye Hargreaves, Mary Goodwin, Julian & Dawn Huxley, Shane McGroggan, and all the sick and housebound of the parish. *Please let us know if you would like your name included.*



Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependents and Prisons Week 11-17 October. This October, churches across the UK will once again feature Prisons Week, the annual ecumenical initiative calling Christians to prayer and action for all those affected by imprisonment. This year's theme, "All Are Invited," draws on the parable of the wedding banquet in Matthew 22:1-14, where the servants are sent out "into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests." It is a theme of radical hospitality, a reminder that God's invitation excludes no one, whatever their past. Reflecting on the parable, Jesus' love reaches people wherever they are but refuses to leave them as they are. And it is a call to respond to God's invitation, whether for the first time or with a renewed insight, and to extend that same welcome to those the world might overlook.

Please **pray for peace** throughout our troubled world. God of peace, may your kingdom come. Help us put away the weapons of war, help us destroy the tools of destruction, let earthly power be challenged, when it plunders the poor, and tramples on hope. God of peace, may your kingdom come. Amen



The Pope's Prayer Intention for October: For Mental Health ministry. Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of people with mental illnesses.

The Month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is **recited in church every Friday evening at 7:00pm. You are invited to join** our friendly group to mark this month of the Rosary.



CONCERT TODAY at 2:30pm Jacobi Chorale: William Byrd: Mass for 4 Voices at 2:30pm, here in SS Thomas & Stephen Church, Mkt Drayton. The concert will be preceded by a short talk 'A Catholic Composer in a Protestant land. Retiring Collection. Refreshments served afterwards.

Market Drayton Foodbank is particularly short of packets of plain Rice & Pasta, UHT semi-skim (green) Milk & cartons of long-life Fruit Juice. Donations can be placed in the green bin in the porch, Thank you for all donations.



Thank you to all who attended and donated so generously to the Coffee Morning last week. And special thanks to the organisers, bakers, servers, and washers-up who made it such a success.

Offertory	04.10.2026	Loose Plate £83.00	Envelopes £86.00	Stand Orders £169.67	Total £338.67	Thank you
Macmillan Cancer Support			£117.00			
CAFOD Family Fast Day (to date)			£74.00			

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