



## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

### Mass Times

**Vigil Mass:** Sat 6.30pm  
 Sunday 9.30am  
 11.00am  
 Spanish Mass 12.30pm  
 Mon to Sat 10am

### Sacrament of Confession

Please see a Priest or Email  
 and a Priest will contact you.

### Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm  
 (Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

### Rosary

Every Wednesday after  
 10am Mass followed by Tea  
 in the Founders Room.

### Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the  
 Parlour.

### Holy Hour

On the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every  
 month after 10am Mass.

### Saints Days

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> – St Vincent de Paul  
 Tue 28<sup>th</sup> – St Wenceslaus,  
 St Lawrence Ruiz  
 Wed 29<sup>th</sup> – Ss Michael, Gabriel  
 & Raphael  
 Thu 30<sup>th</sup> – St Jerome  
 Fri 1<sup>st</sup> – St Thérèse of the  
 Child Jesus  
 Harvest Fast Day

### Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on  
 every Monday after our 10am  
 Mass.

*Blessed Carlo Pray for us.*

**Sunday Reflection** – Who are the insiders and who are the outsiders? The club mentality gets to us all. Moses responds in the first Reading, “if only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his spirit to them all”. Why feel threatened by the goodness of others? he asks. A similar problem arises for the disciples in the Gospel. It seems as if their own self-esteem is threatened by an outsider ‘who is not one of us’ but is doing good by casting out evil. They want Jesus to reject him outright, but he refuses to do so. Instead, he invites his fragile little company to have a wider vision of God’s goodness. Jesus is not threatened by goodness that comes from outside his own chosen circle. His passion is for the good of others, and that passion is served by anyone who dares to do God’s work. When it comes to doing what is good, Jesus simply states: “Anyone who is not against us is for us”. Jesus challenges his followers to be thoroughly honest in distinguishing between ‘good’ and ‘evil’. His admonition to ‘cut off’ hand or foot has never been taken literally by the Church and Jesus himself did not intend it. He is really saying ‘be decisive in cutting evil out of your life – be ruthless in eradicating evil from your mind and heart. Serious sin and evil has to be eliminated from your life because a healthy relationship with God is worth all the sacrifice required’. Jesus asks us to choose in favour of God’s kingdom and let go of everything that would obstruct that choice.

**Family Fast Day** – This is on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021, also referred to as “Harvest Fast Day”. Therefore, our CAFOD Representatives, Trusha and Camilla will speak to us at all the masses this weekend, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. They will tell us about CAFOD’s great work for the Poor of our world and how the money saved by ‘Our Fast’ can help CAFOD’s good work for the Poor of our World. The collection from your Fast will be taken up at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October Masses. As always, we trust you will be thoughtful, loving and generous.

**1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion:** Many of our Parish and school children are preparing under difficult circumstances for their First Holy Communion with the wonderful support of their Parents, Teachers and Catechists. Please pray for them and all who journey with them during this time of preparation. May the Lord bless them and their families and deepen their love and faith in Jesus, who comes to them to be their “Bread of Life”.

**St Peregrine Mass** – This Healing Mass in honour of St. Peregrine will be celebrated on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm. At Mass we pray for healing for all who are seriously ill.

**Confirmation Programme** – Registrations for our next Programme will be available in mid-November. Details of programme and commencement date to also be announced.

**Baptismal Course** – Our next Course will be held on the following Tuesdays, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of November. Registrations in our colonnade.

**Legion of Mary:** The ‘great’ Frank Duff, often referred to as the “pioneer of the lay apostolate”, founded the ‘Legion of Mary’ on 7<sup>th</sup> September 1921. So, this month we celebrate the Centenary of the Legion. Ever since, great service and example have been given in the Church by ‘Legion’ members. We are blessed to have a ‘Branch’ in our Parish, whose members continue to serve the Church and Parish by their generous ministry and prayer. Pray for them. Why not consider joining the great Legion if you are free? Frank insisted that ‘the Legion be founded and represented by ordinary Christianity for ordinary people’ and is not an enigma at all!