HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH, MARPLE
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18th October 2020
29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

First Reading: (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6)
I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him
Second Reading : (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5)
We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.
Gospel: (Matthew 22:15-21)
Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.

Pope Francis's prayer intention for October: That by virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Sunday **Vigil 4pm** **Vigil 6pm** **9am**	**18th October** **Frank & Mary McGill** **Rita Kay** **Parishioners**	**Thursday**	
Monday		**Friday**	
Tuesday 2 **11am** **5pm (Brinnington)** **All welcome**	**20th October** **Requiem Kevin Dowling**	**Saturday**	
Wednesday Mass **10am** **Confessions 10.30am**	**21st October** **Christine Blundell**	**Sunday** **4pm Vigil** **6pm Vigil** **9am**	**25th October** **Patricia McDonagh** **Connie/LindsayWilson** **Parishioners** **Maureen Matthews**

One decade of the Rosary	**Suspended**
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Adoration and Rosary	**Suspended**
Baptism/Marriage	By appointment
Sacrament of Reconciliation	After Mass on Wednesdays or by appointment.
Collection	£352.45 (4th October) Standing Orders (September) £1082.87p

Those who are sick:

Please pray for Bill Davies, Christopher Brown, Stuart Madden, Christopher Clifford, James Tanner, Annie Shufflebotham, Marie Sidebottom, Malcolm Garrett, Libby Webb, Nina Noworyta, Marie Hayes, George Williams, Ruth Grace Crosby, Jarek Tomaszewski, Emily Small, Ann Crossley, Kathryn Smith, Steven Platts, Fr.Kevin Gradwell, Clare Hadlow, Pauline Magrath, Kathleen Jones, Father Pat Munroe, Renata Broda, Cyril Nield, John Kirrane.

.A warm welcome to everyone. If you are new to the parish, please fill in a card and give it to Fr Bill. We shall be glad to visit you and make you as welcome as possible.

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Once again Covid 19 has taken a firm grip on Communities World wide, and while it is true to say that we may be weary of hearing continuous news reports about the actual Pandemic, it is also true to say that unless we take our responsibility very seriously to try and prevent its transmission, Covid 19 will continue to blight and claim many lives long into the future.The livelihoods of so many people are in the balance, as businesses across all sectors of our communities are seriously affected by the recent renewal of so many additional directives. Our Churches, across all denominations, are so far coping very well, this is down to the manner in which the initial directives were implemented at the time of the reopening of our Churches in early July, and the terrific way in which all who attend Church bought into them. One "Government Spokesperson" commented if only we as a "Government" could get the general public to buy into the directives that we have published ? in the same way the majority of Church goers have. It is most important for all of us engaged in the "continuous life of the Church going forward" to remain even more vigilant in how we implement and also adhere to these " Directives" that have so far kept the "Virus" pretty much at bay in our "Church Communities" I am also sure that our "Prayers and Masses" of intercession are being heard, so let us continue with "Faith and Hope" to pray that the World will soon be released from this "Pandemic" At last weeks meeting of the "Parish Finance and Management Team" we arranged Monday "November 2nd @ 12noon, as the date and time for Fr. Dyson's Memorial Mass, it is of course the annual "Feast of all Souls" If you would like to attend that Mass, register your name on the "Special Sheet" provided for the Mass which is on the "Table" in the Church Foyer as you enter the Church. This Sunday is "World Mission Sunday" and we are officially welcoming back the " Families of our Parish" though many have been regularly attending, despite Covid restrictions. It is so good to have our children recommencing their "Liturgy" and leading the "Prayers and Readings" of the Mass, they have been missed greatly by all of us. A big thank you to Louise Perry the Children's Liturgy Coordinator for getting the "Children's Liturgy" re- started, and to Robert Moss / Dominic Bowler and Tony Walker for their invaluable assistance, the work put in is much appreciated by Parents and all concerned. Parishioners and Friends of the Parish have been enquiring about "Advent / Christmas" here at Holy Spirit, the good news is that we intend to carry on as near to normal as in past years, given the present circumstances, for the opening Sunday's of Advent, we intend to have "Taize - Services" and then on the 3rd or 4th Sunday of Advent the usual "Advent Carol Service" Times of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses will be finalised, and along with all other "Advent and Christmas Church Services" will be published for the "Weekend of November 14th / 15th. with our Parish Newsletter. This coming Tuesday at 11am. Fr. Bill will celebrate the Requiem Mass for Kevin Dowling here at Holy Spirit, followed by Committal afterwards at the Rowan Chapel, at Stockport Crematorium. To his family, Elaine, Alison, and many friends we extend our deepest sympathies. We also record the death of David Yates, though not a Parishioner here at Holy Spirit, attended Mass here each weekend with his wife Jacqui, he died after a very short illness, deepest sympathies to his Wife and family. May they both rest in peace. There is a sheet on the "Table in the Church Foyer" for those "Readers" who would like to begin "Reading again, so please add your Name & Tel No as well as the Mass you are available to read at.

SCRIPTURE READINGS - 29 SUNDAY (World Mission Sunday).

We hear again today from the great "Prophet Isaiah" proclaiming that "Cyrus" carried out the will off God, testifying to the "Universality of God" Israel's notion of their leader was that "Civil and Religious Leadership was invested in him. God rules as Temporal and Spiritual Ruler of the World. God is the supreme and just ruler of the the nations of the Universe. Paul's Letters to the "Thessalonians" are seen as beginning of "Christian — Literature. Thessalonica was a city in Northern Greece, and Paul's Mission was to the Jews, to try and evangelise them, but all efforts at evangelisation by St. Paul failed. Paul then decided to evangelise the "Greeks" of that great city, this enraged the Jews and so Paul was expelled from Thessalonica Despite the expulsion, Paul's evangelisation had given root to the "Faith" and Paul in writing to them encourages those believers not to give up. Paul's co-worker Timothy will in time bring back even more encouraging news to Paul, saying the Christian Community of Thessalonica have proved themselves true believers by the way they are attempting to live out the Gospel despite being harassed by the Jews. On this World Mission Sunday 2020 it is good for us in settled "Christian Communities to be aware of the many missionaries, Lay and Clerical who are still going about the "Mission of the Church" today in very difficult circumstances. We likewise are presented with an award situation for Jesus in today's Gospel passage, the Pharisees cannot understand who Jesus is, nor can they hear or understand "His Teaching" about the proclamation of the "Kingdom of God" Jesus deals with their arguments in a firm but gentle way, he stuns them somewhat by challenging them to consider what are the things that belong to God ? The words of Jesus urge us to return to the "World" all that belongs to it, our deep - seated prejudices, false assumptions, irrational fears, our own worship of "Society's Idols" along with an unhealthy craving for power, prestige, so as to give to God our unconditional commitment to do His Will. Are we in a position to say, — "Here I Lord, Send Me"