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Newsletter for Manchester Universities' Catholic Chaplaincy



Chaplaincy News Sunday 13th October 2013

Want to get involved?

There are plenty of ways you can get involved at the Catholic Chaplaincy! You can help out at Sunday Mass or you can even join a Student Committee and help run events at the chaplaincy as well as loads of other things.

Can You help?

**VOLUNTEERS TO COOK
AFTER MASS, ALTAR
SERVERS, READERS,
SINGERS, FOODBANK
VOLUNTEERS**

MASS TIMES

Monday – Friday
1:05pm (Holy Name)
6pm (chapel)

Saturday
11am (Holy Name)

Sundays
9:15am (Chapel)
12pm & 7pm (Holy Name)

CONFESSIONS – Daily in
Church 12pm-1pm. For
Students confessions are also
available on request at the
chaplaincy next door.

Trust & Openness It has been great having the Jesuit provincial visit us for the last few days. At the heart of the visit of the provincial is a very important meeting which each Jesuit has individually with him. This meeting is called the 'manifestation of conscience' – and simply put, it is a conversation where the Jesuit bares his soul to the provincial. He talks about his prayer life, how he is living the vowed live with its joys and struggles, similarly his experience of community life and also his work, which we sometimes call an 'apostolate'. It is similar to confession in the sense that the conversation happens in sacred confidence. However it is different to confession because the provincial can act upon what he learns in that conversation. What he learns about the man before him and his account of his spiritual journey allows him to 'discern' where to send him for his next mission. With such good knowledge about his strengths and weaknesses, his joys and his struggles, it allows that

important decision to be made well, which is often made under obedience. So for Ignatius this encounter was hugely important in his vision of governance for the Society of Jesus.

The openness and trust that is at the heart of this encounter allows God to work most powerfully. We see that in today's Gospel in the ten lepers whose trust in Jesus leads to their remarkable healing. When we stop trusting God and we only put trust in ourselves, we stop working for God's kingdom and we start building our own kingdom. This 'building our own kingdom is one of the biggest scandals in the church, and one of the area's most in need of urgent reform. This why Pope Francis lambasts careerism in the church even calling it a 'leprosy'. He is very critical of what he calls 'airport Bishops' who spend little time in their diocese. Let us pray that this openness and trust can grow in our lives, amongst our friends and in our families.

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2013



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The Week's Activities

This week at the chaplaincy...

Mon 14th SVP Meeting 7pm followed by Soup Run for the homeless

8pm – Concert in the Church, with world famous trumpeter *Alan Vizutti*

Tue 15th Lectio Divina 5-6pm (Prayerful Bible study group)

Soup Run for the homeless, meet 6:30pm

Weds 16th – Foodbank open 10am – 12noon



Mass at the Holy Name



Students at Marian Procession bearing the Cross

Also on Weds... 7pm - Reach Out Presentation

Thurs 17th Postgraduate Dinner email postgrad.muscc@gmail.com if you are coming

Fri 18th – Fri 7pm Social (To Be Announced – see facebook)



Altar Servers at the Chaplaincy

Don't forget to register at muscc.org to be updated of future events – there is loads coming up so don't miss out!

General News

Monday Concert 8pm – world famous trumpeter Allen Vizutti is performing a concert for the Holy Name Church after a day of master-classes at the RNCM. Tickets available on the door or at www.intradabrass.eventbrite.co.uk. I've managed to negotiate a discount for students (£5).

New Volunteering Opportunity - (See Weds night 7pm) ReachOut recruit high calibre volunteers to provide one to one academic help and to instil positive character traits with young people from poor backgrounds in the Manchester area. As a volunteer mentor you will work with a young person one to one, helping them with basic level literacy and numeracy and participating in positive extra-curricular activities. If you are interested in investing your time in one of our volunteering opportunities, please email luke.shelbourn@reachoutuk.org or come Weds night to the chaplaincy at 7pm.

31st October - Archbishop Romero Lecture at Holy Name at 7pm. Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP "A Disturbing Truth: the Church, the Poor, and Oscar Romero".

24th November – Radio 4 Sunday Service. We have been invited to share a Sunday Service which will be broadcast live all over the world from BBC Radio 4 at 8am in the morning. Keep your eyes peeled for more information

THIS WEEK SAINTS

Tuesday – St Teresa of Jesus, the great Carmelite mystic and Doctor of the Church, was born in Avila in Spain where she died in 1582. Her mystical experiences have helped many souls to God. Her attempts to reform the Order were met with much opposition from the Church. "This is how I treat my friends", the Lord said to her in prayer; "That's why you have so few!" she replied.

Thursday – St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr. Ignatius belonged to the first generation after the apostles and was condemned to die in the Roman arena at the time of Trajan. On his journey he sent letters to the churches and these describe the life of the early Catholic Church. "My body is to be ground by the teeth of lions that it may become wheat for the Eucharist of Christ"

Friday - St Luke, Evangelist. This companion of St Paul has left us a Gospel (with its lovely Christmas story and its emphasis on the mercy of God) and the book of Acts, which describes the birth of the Church. We have been reading his Gospel this year at daily Mass. An Indian summer (warm weather in the autumn) used to be called "St Luke's summer. You might like to revive the expression!

2nd November – Religion & Dr Who Day – University of Manchester School of Arts, Language and Cultures. Free entrance – book at drwhoreligion@gmail.com