



Rivonia Catholic Church
OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Being called disciples means that we recognise we are called by the Lord. It also means that we should recognise the gifts of others, especially if they are not "one of us".

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for October 2018

Evangelisation: The Mission of Religious : That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves and be present among the poor, the marginalised and those who have no voice.

Weekday Mass Times

Monday	01 October	08h30	St Thèrèse of the Child Jesus, VD
Tuesday	02 October	08h30	Guardian Angels
Wednesday	03 October	06h30	
Thursday	04 October	08h30	St Francis of Assisi
Friday	05 October	08h30	First Friday
		17h30	Benediction followed by Mass
Saturday	06 October	No Morning Mass	
Confessions	Saturdays	11h30-12h00 and 16h30-17h15	

Mass times for Sunday

Saturday	06 October	17h30
Sunday	07 October	07h30, 09h30, 17h30

Prayers for the Sick and those who care for them:

Churchill Ebersay, Nicky Callaghan, Mike Lawrence, Marcelle Christian, Lexi Oliver, Eliza Jockuat, Gerhard Pretorius, Bianca Minucci, Ventura Rosenthal, Charlie, Benedict Kirama, Marilyn Davies, Fabio Renieri, Peter Combes, Maria Xavier, Therese Ingle, Marion Boers, George Chadinha, Tony de Quintal, Carey Sachse

Hospital & Home Visits

Details of Catholics admitted to the Morningside and Sunninghill hospitals and those who are house-bound, should be given to the Parish office in order to facilitate a visit by an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

MARRIAGE PRAYER

Lord God, thank you for the gift of my spouse and our sacrament of marriage. Thank you for the life we have shared with each other and our children. In our marriage, continue to show us your way to live and love freely without fear or self-pity. Teach us wisdom and thoughtfulness, gentleness and trust. Make us quick to discover the best in each other and slow to find fault. Teach us never to take each other for granted. Encourage us to make time to grow together, to be generous with kind words and compliments and mean with criticism. Keep us from selfishness and hasty judgements, criticism and hurt. When we hurt each other, open us up to forgiveness. Instil in our minds, hearts and souls the passion and compassion of Jesus so that we may live our lives in unity for his glory. Amen

PARISH NOTICES

A warm welcome back to Fr Peter!

Baptisms: An appointment with the Priest is required before a child's baptism.

Baptism Talk: The next talk will take place on **Wednesday 3 October 2018 at 18h00.**

Marriages: A notice of at least three full months is required before an intended marriage.

Marriage Talk: For anyone wishing to enquire about the requirements for preparation for marriage. The next talk will be on **Wednesday 10 October 2018** at 18h00 in the Office meeting room. Kindly contact the parish office to confirm attendance.

NB: Catechism and Confirmation classes will resume on Sunday 14 and Monday 15 October respectively.

Adult Enquiry Class: Every Tuesday at 18h00 in the office meeting room.

Family Life Ministry – Celebration of Marriage: The month of October is dedicated to married couples, reflecting on the Sacrament of Marriage and family **at all Masses this weekend.** Our prayer is for your marriage to be made stronger than ever and to realise that the promise you made to each other, whether it was days, weeks or years ago, has an eternal impact on generations to come.

Renewal of Marriage Vows: will take place at all Masses on the **6/7 October 2018.**

October: Rosary Month: During October, Fr. Peter will join families of the parish for the Rosary in their homes. **Please fill in the roster** on the table at the entrance to the church.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: The EMHC will hold their retreat on **Saturday 20 October at 9h30** in the Hall. Contact **Michelle: 0732208063** for further details.

Second Collection: the second collection at all Masses on the **6/7 October 2018**, is in aid of the **Pontifical Mission Society.**

Food Parcel Packing: will take place in the Hall on **Wednesday 10 October 2018.**

Feeding Scheme collection: Tables will be manned after all Masses on the **13/14 October 2018.** Your ongoing generosity is greatly appreciated!

Jumble Sale: The next jumble sale will take place on **Thursday 4 October 2018** in the Hall from **12h00-13h00.** Thank you for your donations of jumble, books etc!

Sandwich-making: will take place in the Hall after the 17h30 Mass on **Sunday 7 October 2018.** Donations of bread, jam and peanut butter would be most welcome!

Family of God Healing Seminar: at St Charles Catholic Church, Victory Park every Tuesday from **9 Sep-30 Oct 2018 at 19h00.** Contact **Mary: 0828733372 or David: 0826071554.**

SJA Catholic Church Hiking Group: **Saturday 6 October** - easy hiking in the Cradle of Humankind area.
Contact Marion: 0832489543.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time **Sunday Reflections**

1. Scott Hahn

To Belong to Christ: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-sixth Sunday Ordinary Time

[Listen Here:](#)

Readings:

[Numbers 11:25–29](#)

[Psalm 19:8,10,12–14](#)

[James 5:1–6](#)

[Mark 9:38–48](#)

Today's Gospel begins with a scene that recalls a similar moment in the history of Israel, the episode recalled in today's First Reading. The seventy elders who receive God's Spirit through Moses prefigure the ministry of the apostles.

Like Joshua in the First Reading, John makes the mistake of presuming that only a select few are inspired and entrusted to carry out God's plans. The Spirit blows where it wills (see John 3:8), and God desires to bestow His Spirit on all the people of God, in every nation under heaven (see Acts 2:5, 38). [Read More:](#)

2. Word on Fire by Bishop Robert Baron



**WOULD THAT EVERYONE COULD
BE A PROPHET**

[Click Here](#)

3. The Jesuit Institute South Africa



(available after 12pm Fri)

[Click Here](#)

4. LifeTeen



[Click Here](#)

Spiritual Enrichment



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON'S FIRST "SIGN OF THE CROSS" (IN HER OWN WORDS): St.

Elizabeth Ann Seton's awe at the Sign of the Cross will move you to appreciate this simple, yet profound prayer in an entirely new way. [Watch Here](#)



The Childlike Humility of God

Fr. Hugh Barbour

"Don't be a baby!"

"You're a big boy now!"

"Grow up!"

None of these are words of the Savior in the Gospels. Instead he tells us that becoming like a little child is a necessary prerequisite for entry into the kingdom of heaven.[Read More:](#)

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In August Fr James Mallon hosted the Divine Renovation Conference. View the conversation that Fr Russel Pollitt had with Fr James Mallon (Author of the book Divine Renovation and Nqobile Ngcobo (Co-ordinator for Alpha in Africa) [Click Here](#) (Video - 33 minutes long)



Divine Renovation

An Interview with Fr Mallon

Part 1 [Click Here](#)

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Part 4 [Click Here](#)

Part 5 [Click Here](#)

This is an excellent series of short interviews, well worth watching. Each is 15 minutes long.