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Dear friends

It is hard to believe that 2022 has arrived already! Where does the time go? They say that time seems to pass more quickly the older we get, and that is

undoubtedly true. They also say that time waits for no-one, which means that all of us, whatever our age, can never go back and recapture lost moments, nor can we hang on to the present moment, as Peter, James and John discovered on the Mount of Transfiguration.

We each have memories of the past, some better than others; and we all have hopes and dreams for the future. But all of us live in the present moment. This present moment, this "now", is what God has given to us. The present cannot be regained once it has passed, so we should try to make the best of it; we should use it to bring peace and not anguish into the lives of others; we should use it to bring cheer and gladness to the hearts of others.

If we sometimes look back to the past with regret, we will often recognise a moment that was wasted, or used unwisely. Perhaps we might use that realisation as a spur to encourage us to use every "now" to the best of our ability.

Unfortunately, we often recognise those wasted or misused moments only with the benefit of hindsight. If only we could preempt those moments: wouldn't our lives - and our memories - be more fulfilled.

And yet there is a way. Our God is a wonderful God, and is himself present alongside us in every moment of time. He invites us to co-operate with him in building up his Kingdom, by bringing light, healing and love into the lives of others wherever we are, and whoever we are with. Some of those wasted or misused moments may well have been missed opportunities either to help those God had brought to us, or to make good use of the situation God had brought us to. Spending at least a little time in prayer each day will most certainly help with this. As we spend time in prayer with God, we begin to open ourselves to his presence; we begin to look at the world through his eyes, and we begin to recognise various needs around us, both in our community and in those we meet.

As we spend time in prayer with God, we also gain the courage and strength to act when we recognise these needs, and also the wisdom to know how best to act. Like with all journeys of growth, we will sometimes make mistakes, but God is continually with us, supporting us and holding us and encouraging us.

As this new year progresses, I pray that we will all make it our regular habit to pray each day, expecting to hear and feel God's presence, and look for those opportunities to help and to serve which God places before us.

With my love and prayers

Fr Tony

BISHOP GLYN

For many years, Glyn Webster was a Residentiary Canon of York Minister, and assisted joyfully with the preparation for, and the running of, the Bishop of Beverley's Festivals at York Minster. When Martyn Jarrett retired, he was consecrated Bishop as his replacement.

As a Suffragan Bishop of the Archbishop of York, the Bishop of Beverley is given the special role of offering pastoral and sacramental oversight to parishes within the Northern Province (York) of the Church of England who have petitioned their Diocesan Bishop for such oversight. It is this capacity that Glyn, Bishop of Beverley, has looked after this parish, visiting it on many occasions to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation or simply to be with us and preside and preach at the mass.

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Having reached a certain age, Bishop Glyn is retiring from stipendiary ministry on the Feast of the Epiphany this month. There will be a number of farewell 'do's all over the Northern Province: Manchester's is on Monday 3rd January at 12 noon in Manchester Cathedral where a gift from parishes in the Diocese will be presented to him. If you would like to contribute to that gift in thankfulness for Bishop Glyn's ministry among us, please let me know. It is certainly a ministry which has been pastoral and people-centred, and one for which we are very grateful.

A larger farewell mass will take place in York Minister on Saturday 8th January, in the presence of Stephen, Archbishop of York. Tickets are now fully booked, but the service can be watched on the York Minster website.

Fr Tony

THANK YOU...

...for your prayers and best wishes during my recent brush with Coronavirus. Thankfully, my symptoms were mild: I felt full of flu for the first two days, but markedly improved on the third day and got progressively better thereafter. Despite losing my sense of taste, it returned within a week.

I put this relative mildness down to having already had my 2 vaccination jabs: without them I am sure it would have been far worse, and I thank the medical scientists who developed the vaccines, and all those involved in its delivery.

I encourage all our readers and parishioners get up-to-date with your vaccinations if you are not already.

Some people are hesitant because of the speed with which the vaccines were approved: because of the urgency, the various stages of approval were conducted as soon as possible concurrently, rather than one after the other. Some are

hesitating because they are not certain what the long-term effects of vaccination might be: all I would point out is that there are nearly 150,000 people in this country alone who have experienced the short-term effect of *not* being vaccinated, and most hospital beds with Covid patients are taken up by the unvaccinated. Encourage your friends and family to get fullyvaccinated: they will be protecting both themselves and those around them.

Fr Tony

LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH

This course will restart on Sunday 2nd January to enable more people to sign up. It is important that we explore together the sometimes misunderstood issues of identity and gender, and recognise the all-too-often abuse suffered by those we consider to be "different".

The course does not seek to persuade for one viewpoint or another, but simply to explore and open up the issues. The Diocese and national Church will be asking parishes for their views during the coming year.

A course booklet is available, priced just £5, and subsequent dates will be confirmed at the first session.

Fr Tony

100 CLUB NEWS

The ninth monthly draw was in the Parish Hall on Sunday 5th December 2021.

First Prize Number 26 - Cath Hale - wins £25 Second Prize Number 13 - Jayne Butler - wins £15 Third Prize Number 85 - Margaret Mullen - wins £10

The tenth draw for this term will be on Sunday 2nd January 2022, in the Parish Hall

If you are not a member contact David or Ruth Taylor to be allocated a number just £12 a year. Also to renew and/or take on a new number



Barry was secretly proud of his part in the Nativity play



Saturday 27th November 2021 11.00am - 2.00pm

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped in anyway with this event, we made a fantastic £2,164.08 on the day with a further £61.20 in aftersales, and donations still arriving.

Here is the list of winners of the Grand Christmas Draw

	Prize	Ticket	Name
1	Mixed Case of Wine	466	Agnes
2	Bottle of Whisky	1275	Jenny
3	Christmas Hamper	593	Vivienne Brennand
4	Bottle of Gin	939	Linda Parkington
5	Wm Morris Mugs	107	Sharron
6	Woodwick Candle	1372	June Aspinall
7	Tub of Quality Street	521	J Butler
8	Bath Set	16	D Smith
9	Car Cleaning Kit	1124	Katie Gaskill
10	Chocolates	23	Anne Worthington
11	Clock	628	Dave Norris c/o Con Club
12	Shortbread biscuits	1379	James Clayton
13	Slipper sox	1053	Brenda Loftus
14	Wine Glasses	853	Sandra Anderson
15	Chocolates	1008	David Taylor
16	Skincare products	139	Amy McGuire
17	Wine	704	T Coyne
18	Lantern	1058	Brenda Loftus
19	Biscuits	411	June Aspinall
20	Wine	955	Mike Cheetham

21	Wine	992	Ellen Gregory
22	Biscuits	8	Brian Pye
23	Mens fragrance	1269	Corinne Hunt
24	Wine	90	Jenny Hunt
25	Biscuits	1336	Mike Evans
26	Skincare products	1148	Lee
27	Biscuits	11	Sandra Smith
28	Toiletries	1076	Brenda Loftus
29	Co-op hamper	1203	Jade Dominic
30	Marzipan Fruits	262	Mildred Taylor
31	Tub of Celebrations	1257	Corinne Hunt
32	Bottle of Red Wine	1179	Carl
33	Box of biscuits	1536	Nabil Allasi
34	Ringtons Tea Gift Set	435	Dawn O'Neill
35	Try Dive	114	Jasmine Duker

Winners of the Drinks Raffle

- 1) Crate of assorted Spirits 486 David Taylor
- 2) 6 bottles of wine & wine rack 135 Vivienne
- 3) Bottle of Gin 88 Irma
- 4) Bottle of Bombay Sapphire 237 Ashley
- 5) Bottle of Vodka & Pudding wine 233 Dawn O'Neil
- 6) 4 bottles of Hobgoblin IPA 246 Stella

Lucky £1 - wins half the takings £71 Lincoln won £35.50

Door prize - Tub of Celebrations won by Louise Harrison

Guess my name? The bear's name was Trixie - won by Penny Smith

CHURCH CLEANING

There is a small group of parishioners who give up a morning each



month. Apart from the cleaning thev have tea/coffee, biscuits and social chat as well.

The next date for cleaning is 24th January 2022. Meeting at 10.00am.

Many hands make light work!

The date/time could be subject to change, but usually decided by the Sunday, the day before, and is coordinated by Lilian Schofield 01204 303137. Check with the church's Facebook group.

THE CHOIR

As you will all know, our present choir consists of 4 ladies and 1 Vicar. They are all very hard working and could do with some additional support.

There must be some of you who have sung in a choir in the past or who simply enjoy singing.

Joining the choir does not involve an audition and does not involve you in a big commitment. We rehearse on Thursday at 7.30p.m. for an hour and sing on Sunday at 10.30.

Why not come along on a Thursday. You will be made very welcome and you would have fun - honestly!

Mike Cheetham

Girls

Here they come, filing into the innocent classroom – The fair, the dark = fat, thin and in-between. The various happenings of the last night loom Into eyes vague, opaque, seeing many things unseen, Except in the mind's eye! The dance club, the coffee bar, The secrets of the back street – or the back room With mother safe at bingo in the town.

Fair, defiant, fresh they sit, with old tired eyes.
Eyes smudges with last night's make-up gaze around.
Oh, strive, strive and work to pierce this thin disguise!
The dullness creeps – the heaviness – no sound.
Then book, picture, film, map – a question asked
A tired arm lifts – a spark of interest flares – and dies.
No chance to grow – for life is pressing down.
Jocelyn Darbyshire

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Mothers Union Annual Christmas Meal

Percivals the Caterers have been booked for our annual Christmas meal to be held at

St Augustine's Parish Hall Wednesday 12th January 2022 7.00pm for 7.30pm



The cost is £23 for a 3 course Festive Dinner (Vegetarian option available)

Tea/coffee & After Dinner mints Do feel free to bring your own drinks

Names and deposit to Ruth Taylor as soon as possible, also please let us know who you want to sit near so a seating plan can be arranged.





The last Messy Church had us finding out about Christingle

The next session has us finding out about Jesus being baptised.

Find out more

Saturday

15th January 2022 11am – 1pm

> St Augustine's Parish Hall



- Whatever your age come and enjoy being creative!
- Join us for activites, crafts, and a short period of worship then a simple meal.
- There will be no charge for this event.
- Children will need to be accompanied by an adult at all times.



Last month we held our seasonal afternoon when we watched the film Miracle on $34^{\rm th}$ Street.

This month is the Mothers Union Annual Christmas Meal in the Parish Hall at 7.00pm on Wednesday 12th January.

MU 2022 subscriptions of £25 are due now. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or bank transfer. Please see Ruth Taylor or myself for details.

Our craft afternoons' this month are on Mondays' 17^{th} and 31^{st} from 1.30pm in the parish hall

Thank you to all who have supported our projects, meetings and events in 2021. We look forward to seeing you again in 2022.

Elsie Hollinrake

1st Jan: The naming of Jesus

Matthew and Luke tell how the angel instructed that Mary's baby was to be named Jesus - a common name meaning 'saviour'. The Church recalls the naming of Jesus on 1st January - eight days after 25th December (by the Jewish way of reckoning days). In Jewish tradition, the male babies were circumcised and named on their eighth day of life.

For early Christians, the *name* of Jesus held a special significance. In Jewish tradition, names expressed aspects of personality. Jesus' name permeated His ministry, and it does so today: we are baptised in the name of Jesus (Acts 2:38), we are justified through the name of Jesus (1 Cor 6:11); and God the Father has given Jesus a name above all others (Phil 2:9). All Christian prayer is through 'Jesus Christ our Lord', and it is 'at the name of Jesus' that one day every knee shall bow.

6th Jan: Epiphany

On 6th January we celebrate Epiphany - the visit of the Wise Men to the baby Jesus. But who were these Wise Men? No one knows for sure. Matthew calls them 'Magi', and that was the name of an ancient caste of a priestly kind from Persia. It wasn't until the third century that they were called kings - by a church father, Tertullian.

Another church father, Origin, assumed there were three - to correspond with the gifts given. Later Christian interpretation came to understand gold as a symbol of wisdom and wealth, incense as a symbol of worship and sacrifice, and myrrh as a symbol of healing - and even embalming. Certainly Jesus challenged and set aright the way in which the world handled all three of these things. Since the 8th century, the Magi have had the names Balthasar, Caspar and Melchior.

Where did the Wise Men come from?

Magi from the East - it isn't a lot to go on. The Magi had originally been a religious caste among the Persians. Their devotion to astrology, divination and the interpretation of dreams led to an extension in the meaning of the word, and by the first century the Magi in Matthew's gospel could have been astrologers from outside of Persia. Some scholars believe they might have come from what was then Arabia Felix, or as we would say today, southern Arabia.

It is true that in the first century astrology was practised there, and it was the region where the Queen of Sheba had lived. She of course had visited Solomon and would have heard the prophecies about how one day a Messiah would be born to the Israelites and become their king.

Matthew's gospel (chapter 2) is clear that the Magi asked Herod: 'Where is the One who has been born king of the Jews? We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.' So it is possible that in southern Arabia the Queen of Sheba's story of how a Messiah would one day be sent to the Israelites had survived. Certainly, there are a number of other early legends that connect southern Arabia with Solomon's Israel.

To many people this makes sense: that the ancient stories of a Messiah, linked to later astrological study, prompted these alert and god-fearing men to the realisation that something very stupendous was happening in Israel. They realised that after all these centuries, the King of the Jews, the Messiah, was about to be born. One more interesting thing that gives weight to the theory that the Magi came from southern Arabia is this: if you study any map of Palestine as it was during biblical times, you will find that the old Arabian caravan routes all entered Palestine 'from the East'.

What about the gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh?

The story of the coming of the Magi grew in the telling. By the 6th century they had acquired names: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. By medieval times they were considered to be kings. Whoever they were, we do know from Matthew that they brought three gifts to Jesus.

What about their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh? While we cannot know for sure what was in the minds of first century Magi, one Victorian scholar has offered a possible explanation as to the significance of their gifts. He was the Rev John Henry Hopkins, an American Episcopalian minister, who in 1857 wrote his much-loved Christmas carol, 'We Three Kings of Orient Are'.

Gold, said John Henry Hopkins, was a gift that would have been given to a king. Frankincense had traditionally been brought by priests as they worshipped God in the Temple. Myrrh was a spice that the ancients used in preparing bodies for burial.

If that is true, then you could say that the Wise Men, in choosing their gifts for this infant, honoured Jesus with gold because He was King of the Jews, with frankincense because He was to be worshipped as divine, and with myrrh, because He would also become a sacrifice and die for His people.

The Wise Men were the very first gentiles ever to worship Jesus. What faith they had! They travelled for months over difficult terrain, they never saw any evidence of Jesus' kingship, His divinity or His sacrificial death. They worshipped Him through faith in God's promises about Him. Isaiah foresaw this response to Jesus: 'Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.' The Magi's eyes of faith saw clearly and far into the future.

Compare that with the High Priest and religious leaders whom the Wise Men saw in Jerusalem when they first arrived. These head priests knew all about the prophecies of their own coming Messiah, but NOT ONE Jewish religious leader travelled to look for Him in Bethlehem. And it is only six miles down the road!

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With Epiphany in mind...

I was telling my three boys the story of the Nativity and how the Wise Men brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh for the infant Jesus. Clearly giving it a lot of thought, my six-year-old observed, "Mum, a Wise Woman would have brought nappies."

Cry Pharaoh!

A visiting minister was very long-winded. Every time he felt he'd made a good point in his sermon, he would repeat it all over again. Finally, the host pastor started responding to every few sentences with 'Amen, Pharaoh!' The guest minister wasn't sure what that meant, but after several more 'Amen, Pharaohs' he concluded his very lengthy sermon.

After the service was over and the congregation had left, the visiting minister turned to his host and asked, "What exactly did you mean when you said 'Amen, Pharaoh?'

His host minister replied, "I was begging you to let my people go!"

The end?

A local priest and pastor stood by the side of the road holding up a sign that said, "The End is Near! Turn yourself around now before it's too late!"

"Leave us alone, you religious nuts!" yelled the first driver as he sped by. Then from around the curve they heard a big splash.

"Do you think," said one clergyman to the other, "we should just put up a sign that says 'bridge out' instead?"

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Knock knock

The passenger tapped the taxi driver on the shoulder to ask him something. The driver screamed, lost control of the car, nearly hit a bus, went up on the pavement, and stopped inches from a shop window.

For a second everything went quiet in the car, then the driver said, "Look mate, don't ever do that again. You scared the daylights out of me!"

The passenger apologised and said he didn't realise that a little tap could scare him so much.

The driver replied, "You're right. I'm sorry, it's not really your fault. Today is my first day as a taxi driver. I've been driving a hearse for the last 15 years."

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Visitors

The minister came home after church one Sunday morning looking very satisfied.

"Many people in church?" asked his wife, bustling around the kitchen.

"Yes, and we had at least three strangers, though I didn't see them."

"Then how do you know?"

"Because there were three £10 notes in the collection plate."

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Inspection

My husband, a US Coast Guard pilot, was on an exchange tour with the Royal Navy in England. Everyone who drove through the base's gates was required to hold an official ID card up to the windscreen for inspection by the guards. As a friendly competition, my husband's squadron started flashing different forms of ID, such as a driving licence, just to see how far they could go to fool the busy guards. The winner? The fellow who breezed past waving a piece of toast.

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What children have to say about angels

It's not easy to become an angel! First, you die. Then you go to Heaven, and then there's still the flight training to go through. And then you have to agree to wear those angel clothes. - Matthew, age 9

Angels work for God and watch over kids when God has to do something else. - Mitchell, age 7 $_{\rm 20}$

My guardian angel helps me with maths, but he's not much good for science. - Henry, age 8

Angels don't eat, but they drink milk from holy cows. - Jack, age 6

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Winter travel

A government warning said that anyone travelling in icy conditions should take: shovel, blankets, sleeping bag, scarf, hat and gloves, 24 hours supply of food and drink, de-icer, rock salt, torch, spare batteries, road flares, reflective triangles, tow rope, a five gallon petrol jerrycan, first aid kit, and jump leads. So ... I looked a complete pratt on the bus this morning!

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The Seagull

A father was at the beach with his children when his four-yearold son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand. "Daddy, what happened to him?" the son asked. "He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied.

The boy thought a moment and then said, "Did God throw him back down?"

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Moses revisited

Nine-year-old Joseph was asked by his mother what he had learned in Sunday school. "Well, Mum, our teacher told us how God sent Moses behind enemy lines on a rescue mission to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. When he got to the Red Sea, he had his engineers build a pontoon bridge and all the people walked across safely. Then he radioed headquarters for reinforcements. They sent bombers to blow up the bridge and all the Israelites were saved."

"Now, Joseph, is that really what your teacher taught you?" his mother asked, somewhat alarmed.

"Well, no, Mum. But if I told it the way the teacher did, you'd never believe it!"

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A church pewsheet reported that Mr and Mrs Brown had left for a ten-day motor trip, and that their two young daughters were starving with relations during their absence.

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One Birmingham parish newssheet announced: 'Pram Service this Sunday in church. Followed by a talk about the wind.'

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A rather pompous minister asked his confirmation class: "Why do people call me a Christian?" After some hesitation one lad ventured: "Perhaps because they don't know you?"

Spotted on a church notice board:

When you were born, your mother brought you here. When you were married, your partner brought you here. When you die, your family will bring you here. In the meantime, why not try coming on your own sometimes?

The Rectory St James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

Your annual accounts - all 146 pages, bound in their plastic covers and laid out in faultless



detail - really are most impressive. I was rather envious to note you have a clergy 'discretionary fund'; if I were to be given such a thing, my cellar of claret would improve immeasurably although that is perhaps the reason why I am not given one.

The size of your office expenses makes me wonder if you have a staff rivalling that of the European Community. I suppose that at least you are doing your bit for job creation. Our dear Miss Marigold, who spends two hours a week randomly filing pieces of paper, mistyping rotas and failing to re-order stationery, is only rewarded by being the first to find out who are booking marriages and having their babies baptised - and if they do not happen in that order, that will be another piece of information remembered

for future use. All this is information beyond the price of jewels in village communities.

Our accounts have more by way of charm than they do of accuracy, generally consisting of one sheet of handwritten paper. There are only ever three copies for circulation, as that is the limit of Colonel Denster's carbon paper. It seems to be an unalterable tradition that they never balance, until we find the following year that the missing £20 was found months later under the teapot on the mantelpiece. One footnote to this was the occasion when the Colonel suspected an unaccountable £5 had been eaten by his Labrador. Our greatest expenses by far are categorised as 'miscellaneous', which is a catch-all for everything that our treasurer is unable to recall where it really went.

The thousands paid on church maintenance and diocesan fees are nodded through without comment - but if the money spent on Easter lilies or packets of tea for the Summer Fete increases by anything more than 50 pence, there will be much agonised debate and speculation about whether this is an indication of money laundering.

I see that your accounts were professionally audited. Fortunately, it does not matter too much about the accuracy of our own, as I have an arrangement with our auditor who lives in the village: if he refuses to sign them off, then I refuse to baptise his grandchildren.

Your loving uncle,

Eustace

PARISH DATES

Sat	1st	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 10.30am: Sung Mass
SUN	2nd	12.15pm Holy Baptism
		7.00pm: Living in Love and Faith course begins
Mon	3rd	12.00pm: Bishop Glyn's farewell mass, Manchester Cathedral
Tue	4th	Home communions in the area
Thur	6th	EPIPHANY
		Home communions in the area
		7.30pm: Sung Mass
Sat	8th	12.00pm: Bishop Glyn's farewell mass at York Minster (no 10am
		mass)
SUN	9th	6.30pm: Evensong & Benediction, followed by
		7.00pm: Living in Love and Faith course
Wed	12th	Parish Christmas meal
SUN	16th	7.00pm: Living in Love and Faith course
SUN	23rd	3.00pm: Baptism Preparation class
		6.00pm: Joint Service for Church Unity (St Andrew's)
		7.00pm: Living in Love and Faith course
SUN	30th	12.15pm: Holy Baptism
		7.00pm: Living in Love and Faith course

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

ADMISSION TO COMMUNION BEFORE CONFIRMATION

Dec 19th Jospeh Asue Yokwe Emmanuel Yokwe Susan Akulia Akwero

Dec 12th <u>CHRISTIAN FUNERALS</u> David Bolton (23)

Calendar and Intentions for January 2022

Sat	1	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD: The Parish and the People of God
SUN	2	2ND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS: The Parish and the People of God
Mon Tue	3 4	feria: Those engaging with the Living in Love and Faith course feria: Those receiving the Blessed Sacrament in their homes this month
Wed Thu Fri Sat	5 6 7 8	feria: Those delivering Covid vaccinations EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: The Parish and the People of God feria: The Bishop of Manchester and his staff feria: Thanksgiving for the ministry of Bishop Glyn
SUN Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat	10 11	BAPTISM OF THE LORD: The Parish and the People of God feria: Our Sunday School and the Schools in the Parish feria: The Unity of Christ's church feria: The social life of the parish S Hilary: A right understanding of the divinity of Christ feria: The work of ACS and Vocations to the Sacred Priesthood feria: The work of Forward in Faith
SUN	16	2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: The Parish and the People of God
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