

ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH, NORTH QUAY, DOUGLAS

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Priest-in-charge: The Revd Dr Michael Brydon

Church Warden: Mr John Rimmer

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEK

DAY	MASSES & SERVICES	YEAR'S MIND
THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Low Mass, 9am High Mass, 10:30am	
Monday 30 th St Jerome	Low Mass 12pm	David St John Gladwyn
Tuesday 1 st St Thérèse of the Child of Jesus		
Wednesday 2 nd The Holy Guardian Angels		William Gell
Thursday 3 rd		Lilian Dugdale, Olive Adams, Muriel Forth & Elizabeth Christian
Friday 4 th St Francis of Assisi	Low Mass 12pm	James Greenhill
Saturday 5 th		
THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Low Mass, 9am High Mass, 10:30am	Charles Martin

ST MATTHEW'S DAY: Thank you to everyone for their very generous contributions, via the Gift Envelopes, which have raised £1,050 towards the winter heating costs. Thank you also to everyone who contributed to the refreshments and ensured that we had a joyous celebration. During the Mass we were privileged to hear Mandy Griffin, accompanied by Shari-Ann Bolton, singing Handel's anthem 'I will magnify thee.' Finally, all the work behind the scenes is appreciated, which includes setting up the church, arranging the special flowers for St Matthew, and tidying up afterwards.

BLESSING OF QUAYSIDE HARVEST

EVENT: You will be pleased to know that we were invited to contribute to the North Quay's Harvest Event by opening it with a blessing. Nobody could miss us as we processed down with a thurifer, two lanterns, a crucifer, our master of ceremonies and Fr Michael sporting a red cope and biretta. Fr Michael pointed out that St Matthew's is the oldest business on the Quayside, offered some words of encouragement and gave the blessing. All of the St

Matthew's party were then gratified to receive a round of applause!

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Members of the council are reminded that we meet on Monday 7th October, at 6:05pm, in the Lower Hall. Please give any items for Any Other Business to Fr Michael, who is acting as secretary.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Sunday 13th at 10:30am. We will collect produce, as in previous years, for the Food Bank. If items are left in advance of the day, we can incorporate them into the harvest decorations.

ST JEROME (342-420): Jerome's greatest achievement was the translation of most of the Bible into Latin, from the original tongues. He had spent four years in the Syrian Desert learning Hebrew. Jerome also produced many biblical commentaries.

EMBRACE THE MIDDLE EAST

CATALOGUES: The Bethlehem Carol sheets we use at Christmas come from the charity known as Embrace the Middle East (formerly Bible Lands). There are some free charity gifts and card catalogues available, if anyone wishes to support their work. This includes a section offering Christmas cards, which celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour.

MEETING TO RE-ELECT A WARDEN:

Earlier this year we re-elected Mr John Riley as one of our wardens. He was unable to be present at the Chapter Court to be sworn in and, due to a failure in communication, he was not able to follow up alternative ways of taking his oath, before his election lapsed. I propose to rectify this matter by calling a very short meeting of the parishioners present, after High Mass, on Sunday 6th October. If there are no other candidates the meeting should take about a minute, so it won't stop anyone having a cup of coffee! Fr Michael

We pray for the sick and those in need: The Princess of Wales, Chris Dougherty, Kay Denne, Gordon Fletcher, Anna Horsnell, Sheila Rolfe, Denis Blyth, Patrick Bregazzi, Kathleen Sorby, Ann Reynolds, Ruth Solomon and Ella Griffin.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord: Fiona Haywood