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11th Sunday of the year **13 June 2010**

1st reading: 2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13

The prophet Nathan confronts David with his wrongdoing.

2nd reading: Galatians 2:16, 19-21

It is faith in Christ alone that makes a person righteous in God's eyes.

Gospel: Luke 7:36-8:3

The woman who anoints Jesus, like the other women who followed Jesus as disciples, bears witness to the love of God in Christ Jesus.

11 am Sunday Mass Settings

Gloria 406 Sanctus: 433 Acclamation: 435 Agnus Dei: 454

Self transcendence

Our Lord urged hating our own life – what he was on about was a sort of egoism that entraps us while perhaps wrapping us around with rewards like a shroud. There is the person who gets above himself and a quite distinct person who rises above himself. Self-transcendence is a phrase to describe “going beyond oneself “ in the way of knowledge, of action, of love..

Knowledge is achieved when what is in the mind also lies behind the mind. So "The sun rises and sets" is a true judgement describing attaining to an actual state of affairs. The judgement which is true may deal with affairs beyond our sight: "Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father". The true judgement may be expressed in poetic language – usually so for man is musical and emotional, and true utterance is not normally logical in form or mathematical. A general consulted with all his officers then wandered out with his telescope, talked to the men and made up his mind. The way we come to a truth judgement is often a convergence of different evidences. "You will know the truth and the truth will make you free" said Our Lord. One of the ways the truth makes one free is that it gives one different options. While we have to take up our cross we do not always have to take the hardest option. One could be a Benedictine in comfort or a Cistercian sleeping on boards.

Beyond the intentional self-transcendence of the truth judgement there is the active self-transcendence of the moral decision which follows upon deliberation about oneself, about others and about the world. By deliberation and decision one is not removed from having a comfort zone with its

anticipated pleasures and pains to be dreaded but there are other selves to be considered and other things, like the ecology. It is a great thing to begin to become a person who acts well and effectively.

The question, what is good, what is effective takes us beyond rationality to love which gives meaning to the whole of life and which unites us with God, with family and friends and with all mankind, past, present and future. In such love is the meaning which undergirds the values we hold in our moral deliberation. Our present Holy Father suggests that our conduct should be "instinct with life". One recognises here again the poetry of language.

Morality belongs to our corporate life as well as our personal life. Instinct with life would mean care for the environment. The Telegraph business section suggests that the BP oil slick had killed "23 birds". Would that were true. I was pleased to read that Hallmark and Marks and Spencer were taking on board concern for all their suppliers and their welfare. In such contexts what it means to be "instinct with life" has to be worked out in technically specific ways. Or else fine words become mere platitudes.

TVR

Sunday Tea and Coffee

Wendover Christian Centre after 9.15am Mass at Wendover
Damien Hall after 11am Mass in Great Missenden

Do come along and meet your fellow parishioners
Visitors are most welcome

Parish News

Feasts and Saints

There's a pink calendar with Feasts and Saints for the weeks after Pentecost available from the churches and on the website. It's new for this year to help us focus on the all the wonderful celebrations we're offered. Joanna Hale

Confirmation

Our group of newly confirmed young people will meet for a follow up session from 5.30 to 7 pm in Damien Hall this Sunday 13 June. Please contact Joanna with any questions.

Prayer Intentions

Anniversaries: In the coming week we remember the following who have died.

At IHM Iris Wojeck, Edward Crisp, Annie Fastner.

At St Anne's Carmel Fernandez, Elizabeth Hampson, Tony Green, Michael Graham, Christopher Farbrother, Julia Neal, Carmelo Passaro.

Seasonal Intentions: During this season we are asked to pray for the following intentions.

Christian/Jewish relations, esp on 9 August (St Benedicta);

Victims of Persecution/Oppression, esp on 22 June;

Europe, esp on 11, 23 July, 9 August;

Human life, esp on 25 July;

Seafarers, esp on 11 July.

First Communion

Many thanks to everyone who helped the children celebrate First Holy Communion last weekend. Joanna Hale

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for a glass of wine and cake after Mass on 30 May to celebrate our Golden Wedding. Inevitably some friends were unable to be there and they were much missed. IHM Missenden holds a very special place in our lives and it was very important to us that we were able to have Mass said there with our friends. Thank you again. Ann & Roy Crisp.

Evangelisation

Evangelisation is one of the marks of a Thriving Catholic Community that we want to do better. There are some great opportunities for inspiration:

- NORES lecture at 7.30pm on Friday 9 July will be given by Fr Gerard Kelly, President of the Sion Community, 'The Church exists to evangelise.'
- Diocesan Summer School 'The Missionary Church' at Milton Keynes from 27-30 July. You could attend every day or just some days.

More details on this and other events: <http://www.nores.org.uk> or from Joanna

Newsletter Items

✉ leave at the Presbytery (address on front cover)

Please note deadline 12 noon Thursdays

Anniversary Lunch Sunday 20 June

The anniversary of Canon Tim's ordination is 21 June and the Parish of The Immaculate Heart of Mary and St Anne is marking the occasion with a shared lunch in Damien Hall after 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday 20 June. Do come and join the celebration. Keyna Godward

Churches Together

It's boring - unbelievable & irrelevant! David Winter from BBC Radio 4 Thought for the Day challenges this view in a fascinating summer lecture Friday 2 July, at 7.30 pm, at Holy Trinity Church, Wycombe Rd, Prestwood
Tickets £5 including wine - www.htprestwood.org.uk.
Maurice Roberts

Lost and Found

After last Sunday's First Holy Communion celebration a 1 GB 80x speed Compact Flash computer card was found. Please contact Maurice

Decorating St Anne's

Starts Tuesday 8 June
Please note that St Anne's will be full of scaffolding this week as the inside is being repainted. This means that from this week services will happen in the side chapel room or Wendover Christian Centre. Please watch out for notices.

Jane Larkham

Philosophy group

We shall meet on Monday
14 June at 8 pm in Damien
House TVR

Dates for your diary

Date	Time	Event
Sun 20 June	After 11 am Mass	Shared anniversary lunch in Damien Hall
Mon 28 June	8 pm	IHM Pastoral Council

Hall Bookings

Damien Hall Keyna Godward

W Christian Centre Sue Abbott

This week's services

	Immaculate Heart of Mary Great Missenden	St Anne's Wendover
Mon 14 June	8 am MASS (Polish) 9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am MASS	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am Service of Word & Communion & Rosary
Tue 15 June	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am MASS	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am Service of Word & Communion & Rosary
Wed 16 June St Richard of Chichester	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am MASS	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer
Thu 17 June	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am Service of Word & Communion 7.30 pm Prayer and Benediction	10.15am MASS & Rosary
Fri 18 June St Romuald op mem	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am Service of Word & Communion	9 am Ecumenical morning Prayer 10.15am MASS & Rosary 7 pm Vespers & Benediction
Sat 19 June	9 am Rosary 9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am Service of Word & Communion 10 am Confession 6 pm MASS	11 am Confession
Sun 20 June DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL	11 am MASS 12.30 pm MASS (Polish)	9.15 am MASS