

Generosity



W/C Sunday 24th September

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Sign of the Cross.

This is a reminder of Christ's
sacrifice for all of us.

A reminder that he suffered and
died to free us from sin.



Pray together.

In the name of the Father
And of the Son
And of the Holy Spirit,

Amen

Our theme this week is Generosity. Our Mission asks us to make a difference in our world. Through our actions and charitable contributions we can show generosity to help others. However, we can also show **generosity of spirit.** We can give time and care and love to others. We can be generous to support those around us when they face challenges. How are **YOU** going to make a difference this week through your generosity?

At Saint Monica's we are a Catholic family, diverse and different, supporting each other in all we do through prayer and service.

We seek to live out the gospel values of justice, forgiveness and Peace recognising the potential of each person in our community.

As members of Saint Monica's, we are challenged to develop our God given talents to the full, so we are **prepared to make a difference in our world.**

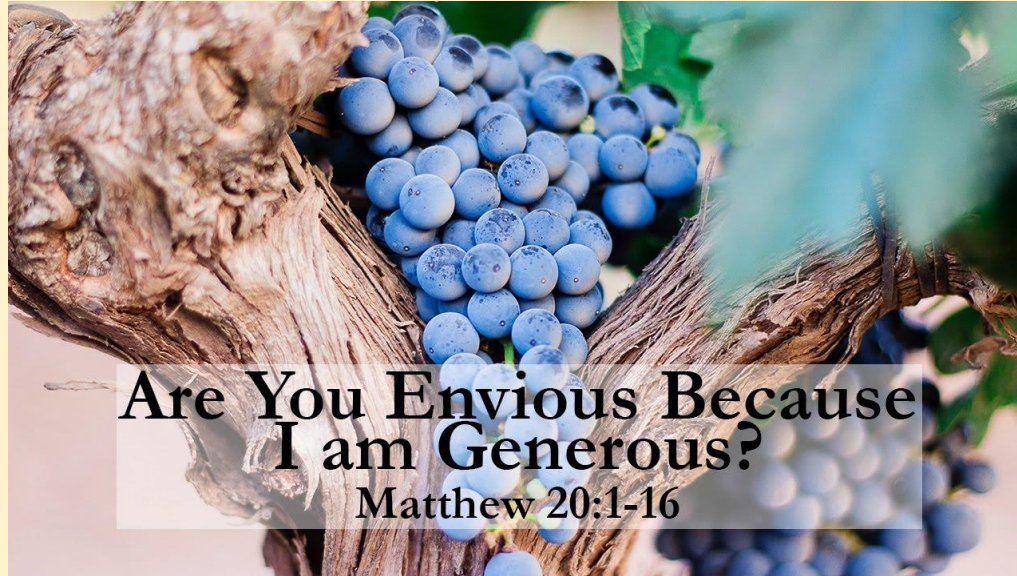


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Matthew 20: 1-16

Why be envious because I am generous?

In yesterday's Gospel we are told of the parable of the vineyard workers. Jesus reminds us that the Kingdom of God is available to all of us, no matter how long it takes us to accept God and follow him.



Are You Envious Because I am Generous?
Matthew 20:1-16

Dear Lord,

I thank you for giving me another day to live, to love, and to learn.

Help me see your face in everyone I meet today, so that I will treat people with the same respect I have for you, O Lord.

Amen.

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Today is world day of migrants and refugees.

We are asked to consider those who have fled their own homeland, just as the Holy Family did when they fled to Egypt.

Please take time to consider those who through circumstances beyond their control, are forced to leave all that they know and all that they have. Often not knowing if they will ever return.

Let us show love and compassion to those who face these challenges.

Our prayer this morning is from Pope Francis

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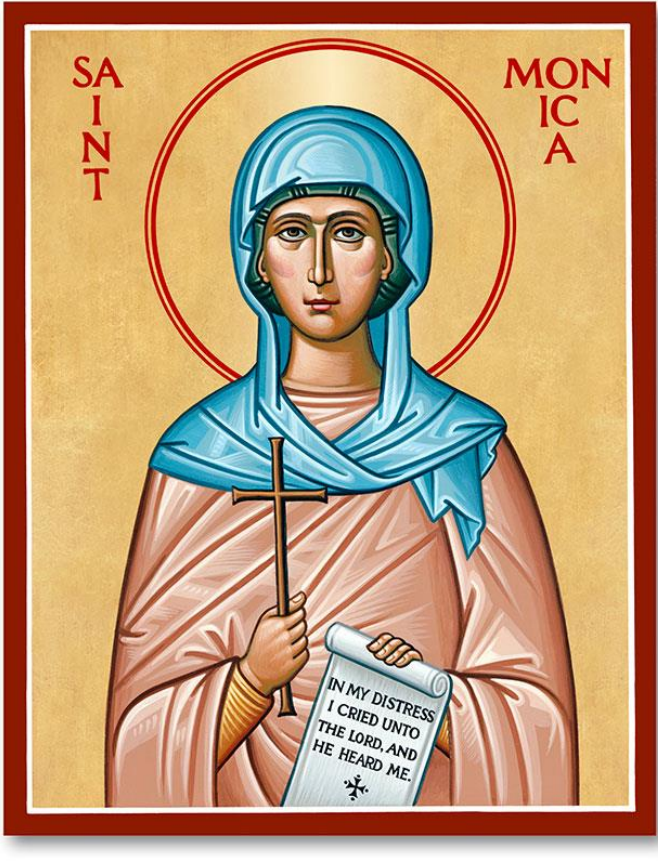
Prayer

God, Father Almighty,
grant us the grace to work tirelessly for justice,
solidarity and peace, so that all your children may
enjoy the freedom to choose whether to migrate
or to stay.

Grant us the courage to denounce all the horrors
of our world and to combat every injustice that
mars the beauty of your children and the harmony
of our common home.

Sustain us by the power of your Spirit, so that we
can reflect your tender love
to every migrant whom you place in our path,
and to spread in hearts and in every situation
the culture of encounter and of care..

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Today is the feast of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP).

Vincent de Paul (24 April 1581 – 27 September 1660) was a French Catholic priest who dedicated his life to serving the poor – being kind to others.

Around the world there are SVP groups working to make a difference in their local communities following the example of Saint Vincent.



Pray for us Lord
that we may commit ourselves
selflessly to doing the same
charitable acts as Saint Vincent did
in his life.
That we may have the favour of his
guidance, strength and love.
Amen.



St Vincent
de Paul Society

England and Wales

Turning Concern into Action

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**Season of
Creation 2023**
Let Justice and Peace Flow



A prayer for good stewardship

Father of creation:

You made all things through love

You spoke with authority and life sprang into being

You made us in your wonderful image to be stewards of your world.

Forgive us, Lord:

When we have failed to reflect you

When we have lived with selfish intention, placing our own needs
above those of others

When we have misused or polluted creation

When we have acted in a way that has caused disadvantage and hurt.

Help us, Lord, to reflect you:

By being faithful stewards of your creation

By showing love and concern for the world.

May our actions produce lasting fruit,
for the sake of your Kingdom

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- Today is the feast of Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel and Saint Raphael – the Archangels.
- Today we remember that God's messengers guide us through life.



Lord, You have given us Archangels to help us journey through life. Saint Michael is our protector; We ask him to come to our aid, and protect us from danger. Saint Gabriel is a messenger of the Good News; We ask him to help us hear Your voice. Saint Raphael is the healing angel; We ask him to take our needs for healing and bring us peace. Holy angels, pray for us. Amen.

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