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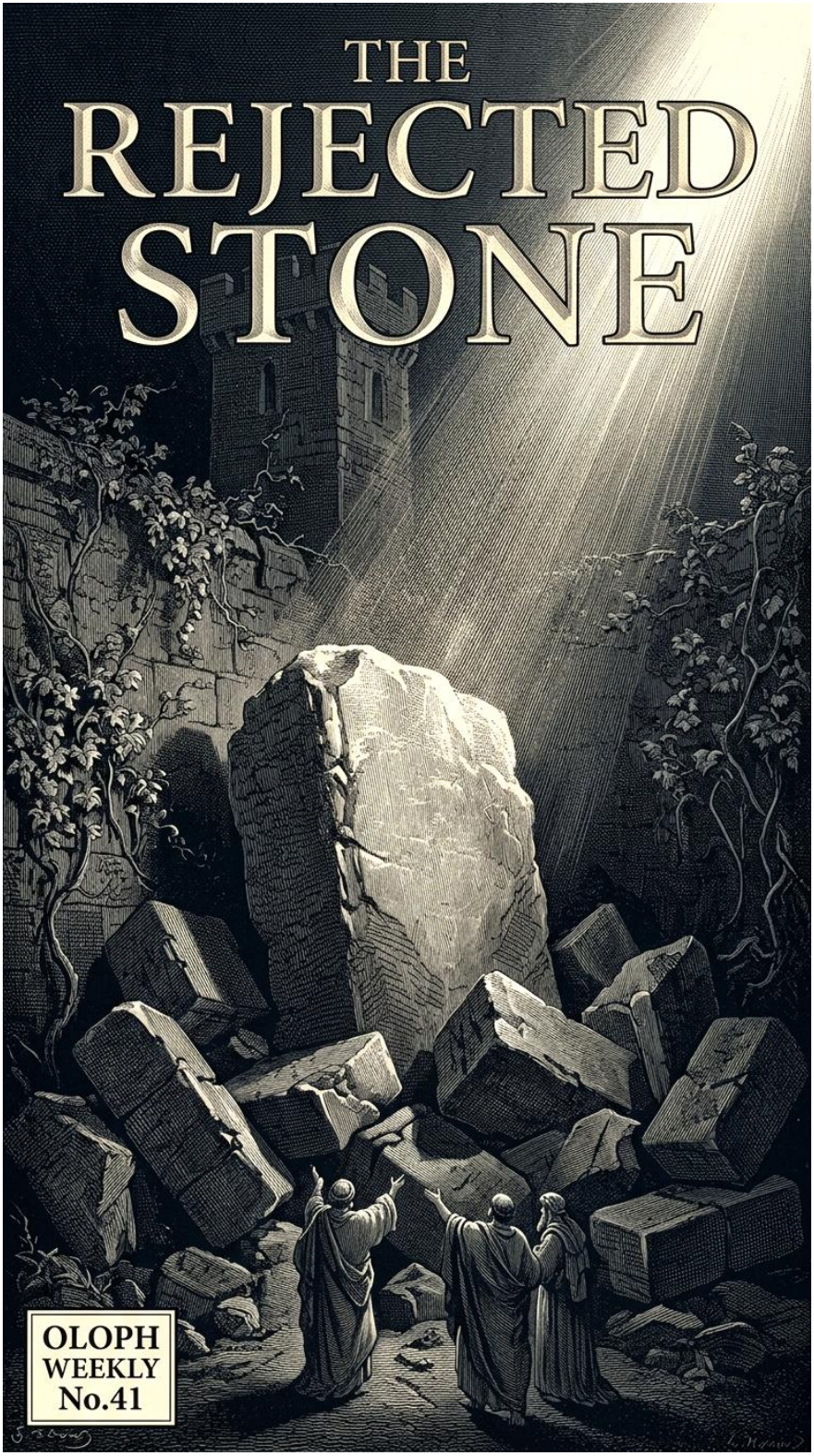

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DEVOTIONS & SACRAMENTS BEFORE MASS THIS WEEK
(These times change according to Mass time changes)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Tues **6.00pm - 7.00pm & 7.30pm - 9.30pm**
Wed **11.00am - 12.00pm**
Thu & Fri **9.00am – 10.00am**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Tue **6.30pm - 6.40pm**
Wed **11.30am - 11.40am**
Thu & Fri **9.30am – 9.40am**
Sat **5.00pm - 5.10pm**
Sun **9.00am - 9.10am** (Corpus Christi Church)
Sun **10.30am - 10.40am**

HOLY ROSARY
Tue **6.40pm - 7.00pm**
Wed **11.40am - 12.00pm**
Thu & Fri **9.30am – 10.00am**

NOTE: On the 1st Saturdays of the month there is Adoration at 9.00am, Confessions at 9.30am, Rosary at 9.40am and Mass at 10.00am

DONATE:

If you know any housebound who aren't getting a newsletter and should like one, or who would like a visit please let an SVP member know or call 07592 935403.

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The Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Introductory Rites

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,

and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.
And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?
And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briers and thorns shall grow up;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.
For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed;
for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

The Word of the Lord.
R Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 80(79):9, 12. 13-14. 15-16. 19-20. R ISAIAH 5:7A

R The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.
It stretched out its branches to the sea;
to the River it stretched out its shoots. **R**

Then why have you broken down its walls?

It is plucked by all who pass by the way.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. **R**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore;
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the stock your right hand has planted,
the son you have claimed for yourself. **R**

And we shall never forsake you again;
give us life that we may call upon your name.
Bring us back, O Lord God of hosts;
let your face shine forth, and we shall be saved. **R**

Second Reading — Philippians 4:6-9

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

Brothers and Sisters: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise: think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me — practise these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.
R Thanks be to God.

Gospel — Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
R Glory to You, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence round it and dug a wine press in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants

to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than at first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.” And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’

They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.’

Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the Scriptures: “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes”? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.’

The Gospel of the Lord
R Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.

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I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, *(During the following words **we all bow** up until the * in honour of God becoming one of us)*
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary*
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Concluding Rites

Advance notice: CONFIRMATION CLASSES will be starting soon. If you or your child wishes to be confirmed watch this space for further information in the next couple of weeks or so. (Open to Year 7 and above)

Blessed Sacrament 'Etiquette'

Sometimes we forget or have never learned what is the most effective way to be present in front of the Blessed Sacrament. If this applies to you perhaps the following will help:

When the Blessed Sacrament is being raised in the monstrance at the end of Adoration, the appropriate gesture is to kneel (if we are able) This is to show our reverence for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The blessing with the monstrance is the most sublime blessing we can receive as it is Jesus Himself giving the blessing and by our stillness we show visitors what is important to us. Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is God in the form of bread, it looks like bread, but it isn't. It is Jesus, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. Wandering around whist this is happening says to other people that there are more important things than Jesus giving His blessing, which as we know, simply isn't true.

During the Mass at the separate elevations of the Sacred Host and the Chalice, the same principle applies, we fix our attention on the Lord as we recall Him being raised up on the Cross out of love for each one of us.

The 'Amen' after the 'Through Him, with Him and in Him' is the people's response to the truth the priest has just spoken or sung

ie that all glory and honour is God's for all eternity. It is called the 'Great' Amen because this is the pinnacle of the Mass. Jesus in the priest is offering Himself to the Father on our behalf. It is the point where the Church gives voice to her belief in God and Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross, in the form of a heartfelt 'AMEN'.

When receiving Holy Communion, if we are receiving the Lord on our hand then it is prudent to make sure our hand is flat ie horizontal to the floor so there isn't a danger of the host falling on the floor. (The same principle applies when receiving on the tongue ie the tongue is horizontal) You are making a safe 'crib' for the Lord.

As this Sacred Host is God, we ought to do our best to make sure we are staying alert to the reality of what is happening. When the priest at Holy Communion says, 'the Body of Christ' to us, he is making a statement of proclamation, and we respond 'Amen' which means 'It is true' or 'Truly' or 'So be it'. Remember Communion is faith: the faith with which we receive Jesus into our hearts in Communion dictates the degree to which we receive grace. He comes to us with all sorts of graces and gifts to give us, but if our hearts and minds are a million miles away, we can hinder His grace working in us.

With all of the above recommendations, this is just a case of trying our best to give a true witness to those around us (as well as to ourselves) We all fall short at times and there is no judgment or binding obligation to carry these things out, but for those who are curious or have never been informed of these things, this may be of some use!

Finally, this advice is for those capable of understanding, the noise and movement of children and babies is always regarded as the noise of angels and to be welcomed as it shows the church is alive!

THIS IS THE PLACE ?

Our Alpha Course Continues THIS Tuesday 6th October at 7.30pm in Saint Gabriel's Hall

01* Meet new people and enjoy a bite to eat together.

02* Watch a short film exploring a big question around the Christian faith.

03* Space to hear from others and share your thoughts.

The hope is that all our parishioners will attend initially to get a flavour of what it is. Subsequently, we'll open it to anyone from anywhere who is interested in finding out about what we believe as Christians. Great refresher!!
(saves cooking dinner on a Tuesday too!!)

NOTICES

DATES FOR DIARY

Dave Mackin will be playing another gig for us on Fri 4th December. More details to follow.

Pope Leo's Intention for October

For mental health ministry: Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

SVP online information sessions: If you would like to learn more about the work of the SVP or how to become a member then please join us for a Zoom information session on one of the following dates:

Monday 12th October morning 11a.m. – 12 noon
Tuesday 13th October evening 7p.m. – 8p.m.
Wednesday 14th October afternoon 4p.m.-5p.m.

To receive a link please email Patricia Nobbs: presidentc13@svp.org.uk with the date and time you prefer. See September's Voice page 11 for more details.

Cathedral Ruby Jubilee Celebration Events:

- Saturday 10 October: VOX - 40 Years - A Celebration in Music
- Thursday 15 October: Harry Christophers' The Sixteen - The Choral Pilgrimage 2026: Lead, Kindly Light
- Saturday 17 October: Cleveland Philharmonic Orchestra - First and Last
- Friday 6 November: Gary Stewart Presents Graceland – A 40th Anniversary Celebration
- Saturday 12 December: Ruby Jubilee Christmas at the Cathedral with Cantabile

For full details of all events and tickets, visit **middlesbroughrccathedral.org** or call **01642 597750.**

The next talk to the Newman Association Cleveland Circle will be on Wednesday 14th October. Dr James Kelly will talk on "The Catholic Movement under James II (1685-1691) - from Elation to Despair". Dr Kelly is Clare & Hawley Chair in the History of Catholicism at Durham University.

As usual the talk will be presented in St Mary's Cathedral Hall at 7.45 with coffee/tea served from 7.30. There is no charge but you

are encouraged to make a voluntary contribution of £3 to help to cover costs. All are welcome.

RETREAT: BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD
20th–23rd November 2026
Step away from the noise and rediscover the stillness in which we become attentive to God.
Led by Fr Roger Dawson SJ, Liz Lord and Steve Noone, this residential retreat explores mindfulness, psychology and the Christian spiritual life. The weekend includes talks, contemplative prayer, Mass, Adoration and time to walk, rest and reflect in the peaceful surroundings of the Stonyhurst estate.
Find out more and book:
https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god/

MEN'S RETREAT: SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST IGNATIUS
26th February - 3rd March 2027 OR 5th - 10th March 2027
A five-day silent retreat for men (laity and clergy), led by Benedictine monks from St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny.
Through guided meditations, prayer, daily Mass and individual spiritual direction, the retreat offers participants an opportunity to step away from everyday distractions, deepen their relationship with God and discern His will more clearly.
Find out more and book:
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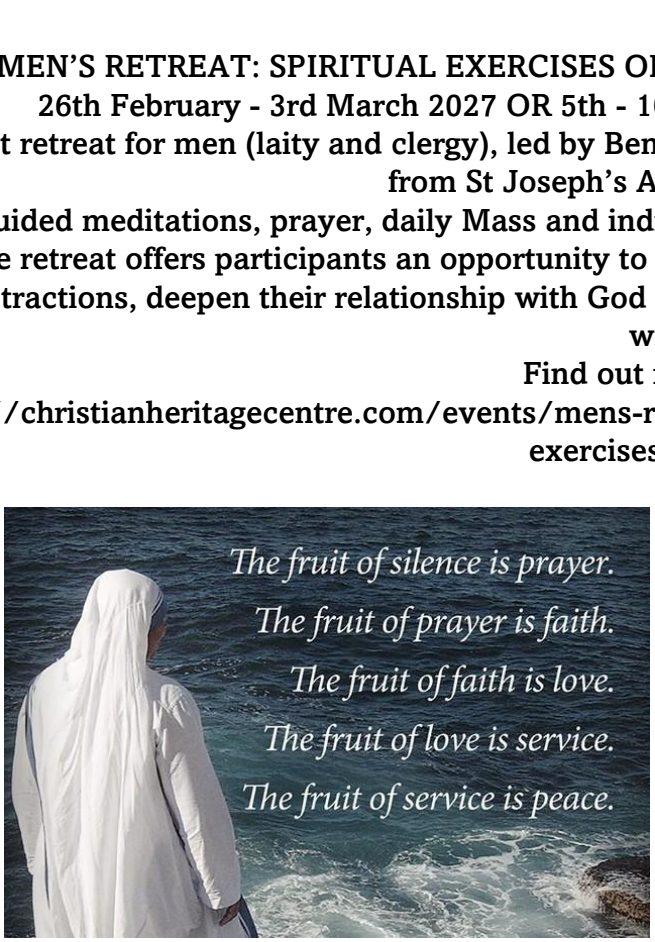


27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4TH OCTOBER 2026 – YEAR A(II) – PSALM III

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Saint Gabriel, Ormesby - Corpus Christi, Thorntree

MASS TIMES THIS COMING WEEK

DAY	TIME	CELEBRATION	INTENTION
Sat 3rd	5.30pm	**Vigil of 27th Sunday**	John Henry Cronin (Recently Deceased)
Sun 4th	9.30am CORPUS CHRISTI 11.00am	**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** 11am MASS STREAMED LIVE ON YOUTUBE	People of the Parish Marcella Parsons
Mon 5th	No Mass in Public this day		
Tue 6th	7.00pm	**Saint Faustina** Votive	Brian Coleman Healing
Wed 7th	12.00pm	**Our Lady of the Rosary** Memorial	Terry Shea
Thu 8th	10.00pm	Feria	Tommy O'Brien
Fri 9th	10.00am	**Saint John Henry Newman** Memorial	Maureen Wilkinson
Sat 10th	5.30pm	**Vigil of 28th Sunday**	David Bowen
Sun 11th	9.30am CORPUS CHRISTI 11.00am	**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 11am MASS STREAMED LIVE ON YOUTUBE	People of the Parish Brian Coleman Healing

(UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE, ALL MASSES ARE AT THE CHURCH OF SAINT GABRIEL, ORMESBY)

PLEASE PRAY OUR PARISH PRAYER

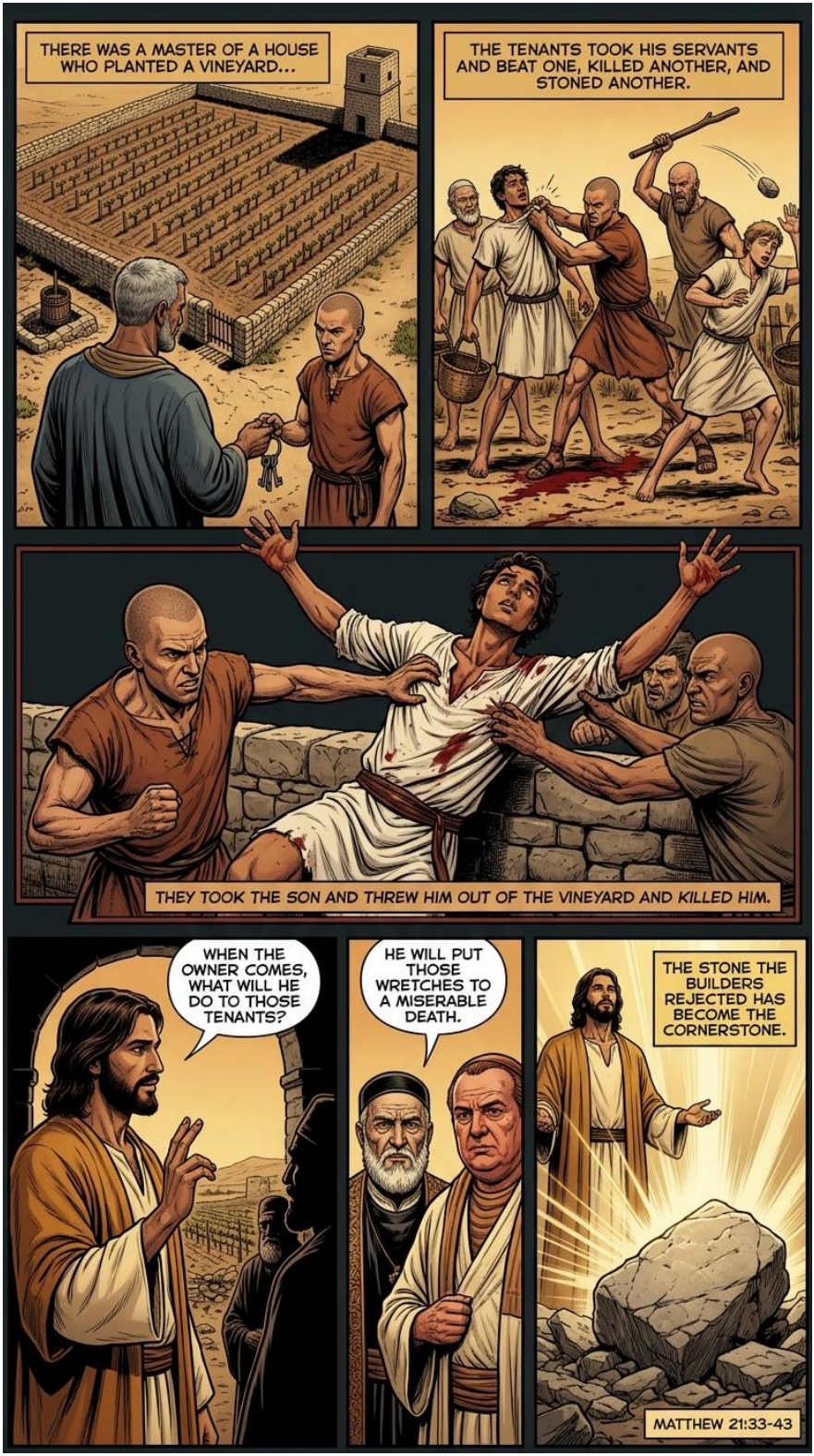
LORD JESUS, THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY YOUR MOTHER, IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, MAY WE BE GIVEN STRENGTH TO LIVE ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER IN ALL THINGS, SEEKING TO BRING OTHERS INTO YOUR KINGDOM, WHICH DISARMS THE WORLD WITH PEACE, JOY AND THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE. AMEN!

THIS IS THE PLACE

Meet new people and explore the Christian faith together. Alpha is for anyone who's interested in knowing more. No judgement, no pressure. Each session unpacks a big question of life, faith, and purpose, and is designed to spark conversation.

Come along, see what you think.

THIS TUESDAY 6th OCT - 7.30pm - COME ALONG!


THERE WAS A MASTER OF A HOUSE WHO PLANTED A VINEYARD...
THE TENANTS TOOK HIS SERVANTS AND BEAT ONE, KILLED ANOTHER, AND STONED ANOTHER.
THEY TOOK THE SON AND THREW HIM OUT OF THE VINEYARD AND KILLED HIM.
WHEN THE OWNER COMES, WHAT WILL HE DO TO THOSE TENANTS?
HE WILL PUT THOSE WRETCHES TO A MISERABLE DEATH.
THE STONE THE BUILDERS REJECTED HAS BECOME THE CORNERSTONE.
MATTHEW 21:33-43