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	27 th September 2026: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time					
	Saturday	26 th	6.30pm	Ramsey	Aidan Ginnell <i>B'day Remembrance</i>	
	Sunday	27 th	9.00am	Peel	Patrick (SOS) Whelan (2 nd Anv) & his mother Joyce Whelan.	
			11.00am	Ramsey	Edwin Menil	
	Monday	28 th	10.00am	Peel	<i>Eucharistic service</i>	
			10.00am	Ramsey	People of the Parishes	
	Tuesday	29 th	-	-	No service	
	Wednesday	30 th	Midday	Peel	Fr John's Intentions	
			7.00pm	Ramsey	Tricia Jones RIP	
	Thursday	1 st	10.00am	Ramsey	Private Intention	
	Friday	2 nd	Midday	Peel	Private Intention	
	Saturday	3 rd	12.30pm	Ramsey	Private Intention	
	4 th October 2026: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time					
	Saturday	3 rd	6.30pm	Ramsey	People of the Parishes	
	Sunday	4 th	9.00am	Peel	Dec'd members Nolan Family	
			11.00am	Ramsey	Private Intention	
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:				Peel: On Friday after Midday Mass. Ramsey: Saturday from 5.30 until 6.15pm.		
Confessions:				Peel: Sunday from 8.30 to 8.50am. Ramsey: Saturday after 12.30pm Mass and from 5.45 until 6.15 pm.		
For the current week's readings and Saints please look at The Liverpool Ordo, at www.liturgyoffice.org.uk or www.universalis.com (Liverpool/IOM).						

Cuppa and a chat

Tea or coffee available after the Sunday morning Masses. After 9.00am in the hall next door and after 11.00am in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

Thank you for your offerings:

	Peel	Ramsey
	£273.40	622.90
Home Missions:	£165.85	300.55

Mass intentions received:

Edwin Menil's soul, Tricia Jones, Dec'd Members of the Nolan Family. Private Intentionsx4

Word for Sunday

It's easy to be all talk. Anyone can profess to love God with their lips but the crunch comes when they are called on to act. Have we become Sunday Christians? Do we promise God the earth and then find reasons for delaying? In today's gospel Jesus points out that it doesn't matter what we say, even if at first we say "no"; it's what we do that counts.

Harvest

Thanking God for the harvest doesn't just mean collecting fruit and crops that are then given to the needy. We all share in producing the fruits of God's creation whether we are shepherds or stockbrokers, farmers or fire-fighters.

Harvest is a time to thank God for the creativity of human work and to pray that people's dignity might be upheld as they contribute to the common good. Pope Benedict reminded us that: "The external deserts in the world are growing, because the internal deserts have become so vast. Therefore the earth's treasures no longer serve to build God's garden for all to live in, but they have been made to serve the powers of exploitation and destruction."

As we become more and more aware of the need for fair trade, and pledge not to support those companies that use exploited labour, we pray:

God our Father,
you have placed all the powers of nature
under the control of humanity
and its work.
May we bring the spirit of
Christ to all our efforts
and work with our brothers
and sisters at our common task,
establishing true love and
guiding your creation to
perfect fulfilment.
Amen.

Harvest Time: Sharing the Fruits of Creation

From the beginning of September until the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4th October, the Church celebrates the Season of Creation. During this time, we are invited to give thanks for the beauty of God's creation and to reflect on our responsibility to care for the world around us.

As the Season of Creation draws to a close, our thoughts also turn to harvest time and gratitude for the fruits of the earth and the good things we receive from the land. It is also a fitting time to remember those in our own community who are in need.

The Isle of Man Foodbank needs donations of long-life food, as stocks of tinned and cupboard goods are running low. If you can help, please leave donations in the collection boxes at the back of the church in Ramsey, or at Foodbank collection points in supermarkets and shops around the Island. Thank you for your generosity and support.

www.foodbank.im

CAFOD Family Fast Day: Oct 3rd

This Family Fast Day, CAFOD are sharing a story of their work from northern Zimbabwe, where drought has left communities facing severe food and water shortages. Twelve-year-old Tayla told us she often arrived at school hungry and tired after fetching water for her family. Without enough to eat and drink, she struggled to concentrate and feared she would fall behind in her studies.

But thanks to the generosity of many people, CAFOD local Caritas partners worked with Tayla's school and community to build a solar-powered water system. Now the school has safe water for drinking and for growing vegetables, meaning they can provide nutritious meals to the children all year round, helping them to stay in education and develop their God-given talents.

Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens.

Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. Thank you. www.cafod.org.uk.

Saint Francis of Assisi

At 4.00pm on Sunday 4th October, Father Philip will celebrate a Mass for the *Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi* at Saint Anthony in Onchan. Saint Francis is the Patron Saint of Italy and so we hope to be joined by members of the Island Italian Community. Please note that the Mass will be celebrated in Italian (with readings in English!).

T and Chat

T & Chat will meet on Tuesday, 6th October, at St Anthony's Pastoral Centre, Onchan, from 10.30am until 12 noon. Steve Cowin will join the group to provide musical entertainment. Everyone will be warmly welcomed. Refreshments served. Please contact Josie on 406063 for further information.

Taizé Prayer Service

Next monthly Taizé worship is on Sunday, 18th October, at 6.30pm at St James, Dalby. All are welcome. This service is followed by refreshments.

Taizé worship is distinctive by its lack of set liturgy, it is beautiful, simple, unaccompanied prayer chants, it's use of candlelight, and its short passages of scripture and periods of stillness and silence. It's an invitation to come dwell within the worship allowing it to minister to you in unity and harmony.

www.stjamesdalby.org/taize-worship.html