

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**

**Reading Cycle A
Psalter Week 4**

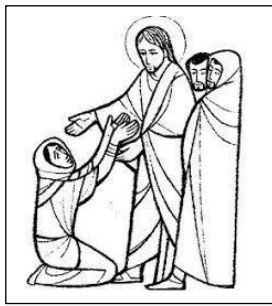
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	19 th AUG	TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Well Being of Jimmy Conway
SUN	20 th AUG		10.00am	William and Elizabeth Prosser
MON	21 ST AUG	FUNERAL SERVICE	11.30am	ANTHONY (TONY) BULPIN
TUES	22 ND AUG	MEMORIAL OF THE QUEENSHIP OF OUR BLESSED LADY	6.30pm	Ernie Lawson
WED	23 RD AUG	Weekday in Ordinary Time	6.30pm	Sick of the Parish
THURS	24 TH AUG	FEAST OF ST BARTHOLOMEW	10.00am	Gertrude Clarke. and Irene Leahy
FRI	25 th AUG	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Luis Pereira
SAT	26 TH AUG	TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Charles Fry and Johanna Newell
SUN	27 TH AUG		10.00am	Kath Flynn +

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing.

We also pray for Nora Kirby, Ellen Psaila, Julia Sjostrand, Stanley Brown, Fr Michael Patrick Murphy, Austin O'Reilly, Marian Tyskiewicz, Beatrice Robson, Kerry Ackland, Raymond Harding, Keith McJennett, Cornelius Kearney, Mary Desmond, Dolores Amery, William John Pearce, Patrick Driscoll, Frank Said, Eugeniusz Drzyzga, Josephine Murray and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Anthony Bulpin, Billy Taylor (Mary and Tommy's Brother) and Ernie Lawson who passed away recently. May they rest in eternal peace.

Do not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families, particularly those who have no-one to remember them.

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left either at the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. **This week's candles will be lit for Frs Valentine, Malachy and Solomon**

If you choose to light a T-Light (20p each) please start from the top row down on the votive stands and light them with care.

WELCOME: As a Parish let us welcome Frs Malachy and Solomon who join Fr Valentine as part of our Parish Family. On Saturday 19th Fr Malachy celebrates the Anniversary of his Ordination and Fr Solomon celebrates his Anniversary on Sunday 20th. May the Lord be with them and we wish them every grace and blessing as they settle in to both a new Country and to a new Parish. Please remember them in your prayers.

WARNING: **The Church e-mail is grangetown@rcadc.org** If you receive any e-mails purporting to be from St Patricks or any of our priests, asking for money do not reply. It is a scam. Our real Parish e-mail is above. It goes via the Archdiocese and the rcadc stands for Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff.

WEEKDAY MASSES Please note that Tues and Wed there will be evening Masses and Thurs and Fri will be in the morning.

Tuesday 6.30pm
Wednesday 6.30pm
Thursday 10.00am
Friday 10.00am

FREE BIBLES! : We have been given a quantity of Bibles which are **FREE**. They are on the table at the back of the Church.

WANTED: ALTAR SERVERS: We are very keen to increase the numbers of Altar Servers for the Weekend Masses. Fr Valentine will tell you everything you have to do and it's a great opportunity to take a more active role in the Mass. All ages !!!

NEWSLETTER FROM THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES: Find out about the New Lectionary from Advent 2024
Look on the website

FOOD AND TOILETRIES APPEAL : Our School is setting up a Fair-Priced Food Shop. To help them with this we are appealing for tinned or dried goods and toiletries. These can be left on the table at the back of the Church and will be taken to the School each week.

COFFEE OR TEA ANYONE? Everyone is welcome in our little café for coffee, tea, cake and a chat after the 10.00am Mass.

SAFEGUARDING: Please click on the link for Helplines and Information on the Parish Website Homepage

PILGRIMAGE WALK TO PENRHYS The Archdiocese is organising a guided pilgrimage walk from Cardiff to Penrhys to raise money for the Priest Training Fund on Sat 16 & Sun 17 Sept. Cost includes guides, storytelling evening and lifts back to starting point each day. £40pp for one day/£60pp for two. Visit www.rcadc.org for further information or contact Cathy Morris on 029 2037 9482 or at Catherine.morris@rcadc.org Places are limited so early booking is strongly advised.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: As usual for those who wish to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), may do so at the END of each weekend Mass NOT before Mass.

'LOOKING AT THE BIBLE' GROUP: This is a very small group, led by Parishioners. We are looking at the Gospel of St Mark and you find out all sorts of interesting things en route: what life was like in those times and how people reacted to Jesus. We meet in the Sacristy at 5.00 pm on a Tuesday. Come through the Garden gate by the side of the Church and through the side Porch. All welcome

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy 02921 843230 (new number) Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain.

PIETY STALL: More New Stock In . A wonderful new selection of Sympathy Cards, Rosaries and Gifts . Our Piety stall is open Before and After but not during Mass. Also there is a variety of cards that are on the table as you come into Church that are free. **Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases. There is a step !**

ONLINE DONATIONS: On the Home page of the Website is a link to enable you to donate directly to St Patrick's. Many of us are not using cash as much as we once were and if this is helpful please try it. Gift Aid can be automatically added with no cost to you.

GIFT AID If you pay Income Tax, St Patrick's can collect Gift Aid with no cost to you at all. This is an extra 25p for every £1 you give. All you have to do is sign a consent form. Please consider this.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion or if you need help please contact Frs Valentine, Solomon or Malachy

PARISH WEBSITE Each day there is something new to read.

WEEKLY MESSAGE

We live in an age that is 'instant'. We are always in a hurry; checking our e-mails in case we have missed something, sending texts expecting an instant response, food that is zapped at speed in the microwave, everything for our convenience. Many of us have forgotten what it is to wait and have patience. We expect answers NOW!

Perhaps we have heard someone say at sometime 'God never answers my prayers. I don't think He is even listening' But God is always listening. He knows what we are going to ask for before we utter a sound. One of the elements that ought to be present in the Christian life-style is persistence. To persist means to continue in the cause, to remain, to endure.

One of the hardest places to be persistent is in the matter of prayer. We often call our requests to God unanswered when the truth is we have not given God time to answer. Many of us have lost the ability to shut out the world and genuinely humble ourselves before the Lord.

Sometimes our prayers are rushed, said without any real thought, with part of our concentration making a 'to do' list. Or sometimes we pray when things are going badly when we want the Lord to 'sort things out' to 'make our lives better', to 'undo the mess we have made' Is there any humility or faith here? Or is it just a list of demands?

The woman in the Gospel today, was persistent, she knew the Lord was offering something that she dearly wanted and she knew that He could help her. She was prepared to genuinely humble herself to plead her cause. Her faith was recognised by the Lord and He granted her request.

The Lord will always answer our prayers and come to the aid of our pleading, but it may not be in the form that we demand. He wants us to endure and have faith in our praying, to genuinely plead our cause not just send up a quick request and expect an answer by return post.

