

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Reading Cycle B  
 Psalter Week 4  
 Sunday 31st JANUARY 2021  
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**COVID 19 AS A SAFETY PRECAUTION THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**  
**MASSES WILL BE SAID PRIVATELY**

SATURDAY	30 <sup>TH</sup> JAN	<b>4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Bernard Johnson Bernard Carter</b>
SUNDAY	31 <sup>ST</sup> JAN		
MONDAY	1 <sup>ST</sup> FEB	<b>PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (Feast)</b>	<b>Lloyd Ferreira</b>
TUESDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup> FEB		
WEDNESDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup> FEB	<b>ST BLAISE</b>	
THURSDAY	4 <sup>TH</sup> FEB	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>	
FRIDAY	5 <sup>TH</sup> FEB		
SATURDAY	6 <sup>TH</sup> FEB	<b>5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
SUNDAY	7 <sup>TH</sup> FEB		

**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 and all who are in self isolation during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing.

Please remember Fr Bill Isaac in your prayers that he may be restored to good health.

We pray especially for the Repose of the souls of Joanne Coles, Barbara Murray, Margaret Murray and Rosemary Healey who died recently. May they rest in Eternal Peace +

We also pray for Bernard Carter, Michael Dacey, John McKendrick, Pat Davies, Eileen Cleverdon, Terry Stevens, Margaret De Manuel, Angelo Tabone, Edward Evans, Mercedes Jones, Anna Snook, Margaret Rees, James Cruise, Bertha Desmond, William Cowley, Robert Sloman, Michael Gibson, Winifred Doble, Patrick Hansen and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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

**PRAYERS:** It is our duty to pray for each other, for those who are sick and those who care for them. But I also ask your prayers for the Chaplains who sit with those who will die, then with the families and then to stand at the graveside bringing the Peace of Jesus, to these broken families. I remember my good friend at Llandough, Peter Davies RC Chaplain, and Dave Pritchard at the Heath.

**CANDLES** You will have an opportunity to buy a 7 day candle which will be left either at the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. The charge will be £5. **This week's candles will be lit for Joanne Coles**

**Please put your requests through the Presbytery door in an envelope with 'CANDLE' written on the outside of the envelope.**

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL?** Please let your parish priest know as he will be pleased to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick and/or any pastoral support you need, as the team of priests who currently provide 24/7 cover are under a great deal of pressure and therefore no guarantee that a priest will always be available at any particular time. If you know any Catholic already in Hospital who needs a visit or sacramental support please leave details with the Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy 029 20743230

**CONTACT:** As I said before, you have my telephone number but I don't have yours. So if you want a chat or are in need of help please phone me and leave a message so I can get back to you.

**CATHOLIC PEOPLE NEWSPAPER:** The on-line version of the January edition is available on the Parish Website Homepage.

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

Victoria Derbyshire tweeted:

“ From today ( 14/01/21) those experiencing domestic abuse will be able to go into a Boots or indie chemist and seek help. If they say the codeword ‘ANI’ ( pronounced Annie) they’ll be taken to a private room and asked if they want to call 999 or domestic abuse helpline. ANI stands for ‘Action Needed Immediately’”

Contact Numbers: National Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247

Telephone receiver Respect helpline for male victims of abuse 0808 8010 327

**ON-LINE MASS:** There are many sites which stream Catholic Masses. Links are on the Website Eg.

<http://www.catholictv.org/masses/catholictv-mass> Daily Mass ( On Demand)

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-mary-of-the-angels> Daily Mass

**The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.**

### **MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE**

Here we are once again at the start of a new week and a new month I hope the past week was not too arduous or demanding and the month of February will be full of hopefulness and optimism. Our journey through Lockdown caused by Coronavirus still carries on but we can see glimpses of its end. I think of the Ferry I catch each summer from Fishguard to Rosslare and I must undertake the crossing taking the rough with the calm sea. My journey through Lockdown continues, still ‘blowing a gale’, but in the distance I can see the safety of the shore. Blessed are those who journey on!

Last week I told you of St Agnes and the Piazza Navona. This week ‘Evans Tours’ brings you along the Tiber to one of the oldest Synagogues outside of the Holy Land. When we visit Rome our walk takes us through the Old parts of the City. Four years ago we visited the Rome Synagogue. People forget that there was a flourishing Jewish Community in Rome before the birth of Christ. The Jews were much appreciated for their financial and medical skills during the time of the Roman Empire. Our trip coincided with Holocaust Memorial Day and as this Day was last week I thought I should share these thoughts with you.

The Catholic Church persecuted the Jews well before the Nazi Party in the 1930’s-1940’s. Throughout Europe they were a ‘marked people’, always on the move, as Kings and Emperors threw them out of their confines. In Britain, around the 13<sup>th</sup> Century they were banished from England by the Church, and in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century, systematic persecution began in Rome. They were forced to live inside a high-walled enclosure erected on the orders of Pope Paul IV. This became the ‘Ghetto’ and was damp, unhealthy, full of rats and mosquitoes, similar to the Ghetto in Warsaw, Poland during the 1940’s.

I’ve said we cannot go back to the old ways of thinking. “ I’ll be glad to return to normality”, to the ways of injustice, repression and exploitation. We have an opportunity to rebuild a world of fairness, justice and equity.

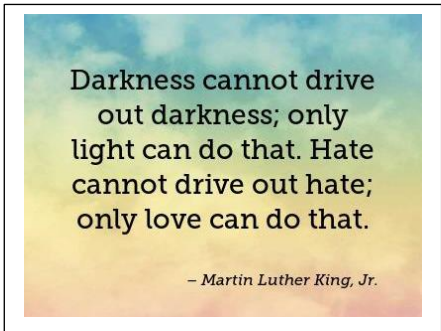
I was privileged to meet a lady who survived ‘Hell on Earth’. She came through the death camps of the 1940’s and her sole purpose in life was to tell the world what had happened.

On Holocaust Memorial Day we bring to mind the millions who suffered and died in those camps and we ring the alarm bell and say to the world “ You’ve not heard the cry of the suffering they endured”

From the depths of suffering humanity, people are still tortured in Bosnia, Rwanda, Rohingya, Muslims in Myanmar, persecuted Christians and many, many, more people.

“ Out of the depths I cry to Thee O Lord,  
Lord, hear my cry.....”

PS/ There are lighter moment of enjoyment in the Eternal City which I will share with you another time,  
Till then .... Ciao !



Darkness cannot drive  
out darkness; only  
light can do that. Hate  
cannot drive out hate;  
only love can do that.

– Martin Luther King, Jr.

**LOCKDOWN:** As I said last week, this lockdown is for your benefit, to protect you, those who clean the Church after each Mass and for me. The whole of Wales is in lockdown so we in St Patrick's will continue to follow what is asked of us. If you have had the 'jab' please keep to the rules so that we all may be protected.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2021:** Please put your request and donation in an envelope and post it through the Presbytery Door. Please mark the outside of the envelope to show that it is a Mass request.

**ON-LINE GIVING:** Many Parishes give people the opportunity to donate to their Parish via an on-line link. This has been set up and all monies go directly into the St Patrick's bank account. It is fully secure and you can do it using PayPal if you wish. There is no obligation for you to use this feature but the facility is there if you want it. Just click on the On-line Giving logo on the Home Page on our website and follow the instructions.

A man lay spread out over three seats in the second row of a movie theatre. As he lay there breathing heavily, an usher came over and said "That's very rude of you, sir, taking up three seats. Didn't you learn any manners? Where did you come from?"  
The man looked up and said "The balcony"

**LIFE'S LIKE THAT!**

A truck driver is driving along the motorway. A sign comes up that reads: 'Low bridge ahead'. Before he knows it, the bridge is right ahead of him and he gets stuck under the bridge. Cars are backed up for miles. Finally a police car come up. The cop gets out of his car and walks around to the truck driver, puts his hands on his hips and says "Got stuck, Huh?"  
The truck driver says "No, I was delivering this bridge and ran out of petrol."

A tourist is visiting Grangetown when his car breaks down. He jumps out and starts fiddling under the bonnet. About five minutes later, he hears some thumping sounds and looks around to see someone taking stuff out of his boot.  
He runs around and yells "Hey, this is my car!"  
"OK" the man says "You take the front and I'll take the back!"

A man loved living in Fishguard but he wasn't crazy about the ferry. If you missed a ferry late at night, you had to spend the next hour or so wandering the deserted streets of Rosslare. So when Bob spotted a ferry no more than fifteen feet from the dock he decided that he wouldn't subject himself to an hour's wait. He made a running leap and landed on his hands and knees, a little bruised maybe, but safe on the deck.  
Bob got up, brushed himself off, and announced proudly to a bystander "Well, I made that one, didn't I?" "Sure did." the bystander said "But you should have waited a minute or two. The ferry is just about to dock."

