

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle B

Psalter Week 2

Sunday 24<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

SATURDAY	23 <sup>RD</sup> OCT		6.30pm	Jimmy and Paul Mallia
SUNDAY	24 <sup>TH</sup> OCT	<b>30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	10.00am	Antonio and Madalena di Mascio
MONDAY	25 <sup>TH</sup> OCT			
TUESDAY	26 <sup>TH</sup> OCT	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>	10.00am	Martha Spillane
WEDNESDAY	27 <sup>TH</sup> OCT	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>	10.00am	Augusta Fernandes
THURSDAY	28 <sup>ST</sup> OCT	<b>FEAST OF STS SIMON AND JUDE</b>	10.00am	Maria Rosario
FRIDAY	29 <sup>TH</sup> OCT			
SATURDAY	30 <sup>TH</sup> OCT	<b>ALL SAINTS (SOLEMNITY)</b>	6.30pm	Con+ Muriel Callaghan
SUNDAY	31 <sup>ST</sup> OCT		10.00am	People of the Parish

**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 Beryl Dwyer, Peter Fury, Leonard Day, Peter Tanti, Hilda Sullivan, James Evans, Theresa Harding, Harry Lucas, Gloria Karvouniaris, Dwain Coulthard, Jacek, Grzybowski, Rose Conway, Arthur Hayes, James Curtis, James McCarthy, Margaret Bell, Martin Fitzsimmonds, Brian Williams, Edward Wilson and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please pray for the repose of Peter Dorise who passed away recently. May his soul 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 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 Maria Greedy and the People of the Parish**

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

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2021 : RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION**

Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion continues to be parish based. Parents of Baptised children in Y3 and above who wish their child to receive these sacraments need to be attending Mass on a regular basis with their child/ children. Parents can register their child by speaking with one of the Catechists (Mary Taylor, Renata Harmsworth, Christine German) or Canon Mike before or after weekend Masses.

Arrangements for those children currently in Y3 will be made in the new year. Families will need to be attending Mass regularly. Again, if you wish to enrol your child to be prepared for these important Sacraments, please speak with one of the Catechists or Canon Mike . Thank You.

**PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE ARCHBISHOP IN ADVANCE OF COP26 – The Conference on Climate Change.**

Please see the link on the Homepage of the Website

**MASS BOOK FOR 2022 IS NOW OPEN:** Please use the brown envelopes at the back of the Church and please include a phone number so that you can be contacted with the date.

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL?** Please let Canon Mike 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:** 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.

**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.

**HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS:** If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion please contact me.

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

**CONFESSIONS:** For those who wish to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation ( Confession), I will be available at the END of each weekend Mass NOT before Mass.

**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. There is an opportunity for you to Gift Aid your contribution. Thank you to everyone who has used this as a way to support our Parish.

**PIETY STALL NEWS: CHRISTMAS SALE:**

Christmas items are now available before Mass. There are lovely Advent Calendars, Cards and stocking fillers.

**SAFE SPACES** is a free, independent support service, providing confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused by someone in the Catholic Church of England and Wales, Church of England or Church in Wales. Free Helpline 0300 303 1056 or e-mail [safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk](mailto:safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk)

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

**National Abuse Helpline** 0808 80 10 800 or <https://gov.wales/live-fear-free>

**Respect:** A confidential and anonymous helpline for anyone concerned about their violence and/or abuse towards a partner or ex-partner. 0808 802 4040 or [respectphonenumber.org.uk](http://respectphonenumber.org.uk)  
Men's Advice Line 0808 80 10 327 or [mensadviceline.org.uk](http://mensadviceline.org.uk)

**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

**MASSES IN OTHER CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN CARDIFF:** <https://weekdaymasses.org.uk/en/area/cardiff/churches>

**WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEBSITE?** Catholic People: **OCTOBER EDITION** Caritas: **OCT\_NOV BULLETIN**

**MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE**

My Grandmother died in 1969 at the family home in Neath. She was both blind and deaf and like Grandmothers of that generation ' looked like a Grandmother, looked old.' She suffered with glaucoma. My cousin Danny who died last year contracted it and now my sister visits Moorfields Eye Hospital every few months. I too have problems with my eyes and visit the Heath on a regular basis.

In today's Gospel we meet the Blind Beggar, Bartimaeus. He was told that Jesus was passing his home so he went to the door and pleaded with Jesus to have pity on him.

“ Son of David have pity on me. Master, let me see again.”

There is another kind of blindness which runs through our lives: being blind to God's mercy and understanding. People are afraid of calling out like Bartimaeus for Jesus to touch their 'blindness' to heal the brokenness, allowing them to experience God's Love.

The institutional Church sometimes acts like the people in the Gospel telling Bartimaeus to be quiet and move on.

“When they heard Bartimaeus pleading for Jesus they scolded him and told him to be quiet.”

But Jesus took no notice and said “ *Call him here.*”

No-one is beyond God's mercy. He has come among us to heal and restore and give us hope and a new sense of direction.

I know my weakness and vulnerability, my imperfections and the First Reading reminds me

*“ Every High Priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for all in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins, so he can sympathise with others because he too lives in the limitations of weakness.....”*

I’m no better than any other member of the Pilgrim People, as we journey together towards the Promised Land.

*“ What marvels the Lord worked for me, indeed I am glad”*

I, Michael, wish to share that gladness with others.

*“Shout with Joy, Jacob,  
Proclaim Praise, Shout with Joy.  
See I will bring you back and gather the stray,  
And gather them from the ends of the Earth,  
The Blind, the Lame, all of God’s People.*

*They left in tears, but now I will  
Comfort them and lead them back.....”*

There are hundreds, even thousands within the Parish of St Patrick’s afraid to come back. Afraid of being shouted at .

NO, NO, NO !

Seek the Lord as He passes your home. Cry out “ Lord have pity on me”

Jesus is the Healer, the Reconciler, the One who restores what was lost.

This is your home, there is a place for you here as there is for me and Bartimaeus.



Dai Griffiths and a colleague were consoling themselves with a beer.

Trade in the town was very slow.

“ I hear you had a bit of a fire at the warehouse, Charlie” said Dai.

“ Quiet, Dai..... that’s tomorrow,”

A Swansea pub landlord came up to a man standing at the bar and pointed to a cigarette-end lying on the carpet.

“Excuse me. Is this yours?” he asked

“No, No.” said the man. “ You can have it -- you spotted it first.”

An elderly man came into the lounge bar of a Cardiff pub one day and eased himself gently into an armchair.

“I’m a little stiff from bowling” he said by way of explanation.

“ That’s all right, butt” said the barman

“ We don’t mind where you come from. What can I get you?”

**LIFE’S LIKE THAT!**

