

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading Cycle C

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Psalter Week 1

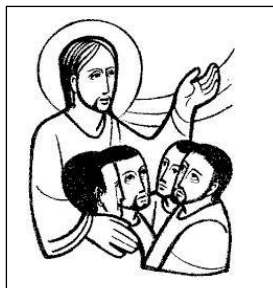
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	20 TH SEPT	TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	People of the Parish
SUN	21 ST SEPT		10.00am	Margaret Salter R.I.P
		NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK		
SAT	27 TH SEPT	TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	
SUN	28 TH SEPT		10.00am	Nanayakkara Ann Berthy R.I.P Antonia (Lina) Malacrino R.I.P

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

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Agnes Sloman who has died recently. May she rest in eternal peace.

This week we also pray for Veronica Barry (1981), Eileen Warner, Cornelius Harrington, Joseph Collins, (1982), Arthur Broom (1983), Patricia Kelly (1985), Dorothy Hanny (1988), Fr John Crowe (1991), Patricia Monteane (1992), Terence O'Brien (1993), John McGuire (1994), Agnes Shields, Mary Beck (2000), Edward Young (2001), Fr Rowland Evans, George Woodgate (2002), Francis Pietrowski (2003), Monica Bulpin (2004), Eleanor Canning (2008), Elizabeth Sullivan (2009), James Spencer (2010), Leonard Gibson (2013), Scott O'Brien, Pamela O'Donovan (2015), Joseph Long (2016), Carole Ann Allsopp (2019), Antonia Beid (2023), whose anniversaries we remember at this time.

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.

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. This week's candles will be lit for the Well Being of Canon Mike, and the Well Being of Baby Milly Dwyer

T-lights are 20p each. Please put your money in the box on each stand.

WELCOME HOME: Soon we will welcome back Canon Michael Evans to our Parish Family. We welcome back his boxes, paintings, cartoons, his weekly message and most of all him. We have missed him.

We wish Frs Valentine and Peter every grace and blessing as they take up their new roles in St Helen's Barry.

REGISTRATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IS NOW OPEN.

This is for baptised children in Y 3 or above. If you wish your child to receive the sacraments this school year please speak to one of the Catechists (Mary, Renata or Christine) before or after Mass. They will provide you with a registration form which will need to be completed and returned by Sunday October 5th.

Attendance at weekly Mass is a requirement. Attendance forms will be given and will need to be returned every week for signing.

CHRISTMAS SALE IN OUR PIETY SHOP: Come and look for bargains. Last year's stock being sold off at rock bottom prices!

PARISH COUNT 1 This week we will be counting the number of people attending Mass at the weekend for the Archdiocesan STATS.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER FROM THE ARCHBSHOP: Please look on Facebook or on the Parish Website.

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY TEAM VACANCIES: The Chaplaincy Team offers a wonderful opportunity to develop lasting links between the local parishes and the Church's mission to evangelise and catechise. The main duties of the Team is to work with the Chaplain to co-ordinate the outreach of the chaplaincy and its services to the universities it serves across the Cardiff, Trefforest and Newport campuses. The chaplaincy building is in Cardiff. If there are parishioners who would be interested in joining the Chaplaincy Team please look at the document on the Events and Announcements board at the back of the Church and contact Fr J P Thomas via email at john.thomas@rcadc.org

CAMINO PILGRIMAGE KNITTED TOYS: Chris Hinds has made some lovely knitted toys to sell to raise funds for the Camino Pilgrimage, and is taking orders. Christmas is only round the corner.

SVP CAMINO PILGRIMAGE: In April next year our parishioner Chris Hinds will be taking part in the SVP fundraising event - walking 76 miles of the Camino to Santiago de Compostela. The SVP have stipulated that everyone taking part must raise at least £1500 for SVP funds (half of which will go to St Patrick's SVP). We will be holding a number of events to raise the money so please be supportive and generous. If you want to know more about the walk or to donate please talk to Chris Hinds or Chris German. Thank you in advance.

All donations will be paid into the St Patrick's SVP Bank Account.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Children's Liturgy on a Sunday morning during the Liturgy of the Word. Volunteers will need to have Safeguarding checks (DBS) and will receive guidance and training. We would like to have at least 9 people that we can rotate in groups of 3. The sessions will be for Primary age children. Please see Chris for more information.

OLD SPECTACLES/ GLASSES: THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA are collecting any old prescription spectacles/glasses . There is a box at the back of the Church.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: This seems to be the forgotten Sacrament. We all from time to time do things that we regret: unkind words, being thoughtless, times we have strayed from the path that Jesus would wish us to follow. The list is endless. This Sacrament is a chance to put things right in the eyes of God: to wipe the slate clean, if we are truly sorry. But how often do we really see the importance of saying sorry. Reconciliation means putting things right, being on the same page as someone, not at odds. God waits for us to be reconciled with Him. Take the opportunity. Just tell Canon Mike that you would like to receive this Sacrament. His is always ready to listen to you.

PARISH WEBSITE: This is updated every day. There is the reading for the day, and a reflection, the photos from the Summer Event, the latest newsletter, times of Masses and this week's focus is on bells . Find out. www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S 'THE MASS' videos well worth watching. Links are on the Parish Website or just Google Robert Barron the Mass. The videos are not long and really easy to listen to.

MASS INTENTIONS At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased. Please put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

NEW TO THE PARISH? If you have been coming to St Patricks for some weeks and would like to be listed as a new Parishioner please complete the proforma at the back of the Church and give it to one of the priests.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines on the Parish Website Homepage and on the Parish Noticeboard A First Aid Box is kept in the Sacristy.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and the Ward details if possible. When you ring the Chaplaincy 02921 843230 please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

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

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: September 14th £ 593. 95

WEEKLY MESSAGE

Once a schoolboy had to write an essay on "The adventures of a pound note." Nowadays it might be the history of a twenty pound note. On average, banknotes have a life-span of just over twelve months. After passing through many hands, they are recalled and incinerated. It would be fascinating to follow the new banknote's uses from the moment it came fresh and crisp from the mint until its burning in the incinerator, some twelve months later. Every crease, every stain on it, would have a tale to tell. It might have passed through wallets and purses, pockets and handbags. Only God knows where it has been and what it was spent on. It has its joyful mysteries and its sorrowful mysteries. It might even have its glorious moments. Has it been used to buy a fix of heroin or cocaine, or to bribe someone to secure a contract? Was it ever picked from a pensioner's pocket? It could as easily have bought medicine for a sick child or education for someone from a poor family. It could have been an anonymous donation to a worthy cause. It could have been somebody's gift to a neighbour worse off than themselves. It could have been sent to the Third World and fed a whole family there for a week.

Many worry about devaluation and shrinking purchasing power as they recall what money could buy when they were young. But in a sense what really devalues money is if we make bad use of it. The rich can be casual about money, but in tenements and shanty-towns around the world, even the price of a meal can be a precious and elusive thing. Oscar Wilde said that a cynic is "one who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing." A Christian should be the reverse: one who has less interest in the price of a thing than in its true value. Jesus was saying in the parable of the unjust steward that if unbelievers in the secular world are shrewd and smart enough to look out for their best interest for tomorrow, how much more should the people of God look to the future of heaven?

On this twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary time, we are urged to reflect on our attitude towards money, material things, and especially, our attitude towards the poor and the marginalized. Jesus reminds us of the fact that money and material things do not last forever and we must learn how to use properly the worldly things God has entrusted to our care. We are just the custodians.

