

**SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS**  
 Reading Cycle C  
 Psalter Week 2  
 Sunday 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2021  
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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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SAT	1 <sup>ST</sup> JAN	MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD	6.30pm	People of the Parish
SUN	2 <sup>ND</sup> JAN	SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	10.00am	Ted Spillane
MON	3 <sup>rd</sup> JAN			
TUES	4 <sup>th</sup> JAN	Weekday before Epiphany	10.00am	Avril Desmond
WED	5 <sup>th</sup> JAN	Weekday before Epiphany	10.00am	Emilio Forte
THURS	6 <sup>th</sup> JAN	SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	10.00am	Antonio, Angelina Tanti and Family
FRI	7 <sup>th</sup> JAN			
SAT	8 <sup>th</sup> JAN	BAPTISM OF THE LORD	6.30pm	Denis and Sheila Anor
SUN	9 <sup>th</sup> JAN		10.00am	Lu Mooney

**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, Kenneth Stevens Aneurin Ward, Bert Payne, Kenneth Collins, Pauline Flowers, Ted Spillane, Emilio Forte, Carole Hoddinott, John McCluskey, Joan Smith, Raymond Howells, John Thompson, Jeannette Paxton, Raymond Aviles, Carmelo Scavaglieri, Eugene Leonard, Eileen Union, Daisy Mooney, Philip Crean and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please pray for the repose of soul of Avril Desmond. May she rest in 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 the People of the Parish**

**A paper copy of this newsletter is now available as you leave Church.**

**THE SYNOD:** Pope Francis invites the whole Church to question itself on the life and mission of the Catholic Church. This two-year journey (2021-2023) will be one of reflection and sharing of the whole Church. You are asked to participate and make comments on the various issues. Opportunities will be made for you to respond (anonymously if you wish). More details in the New Year.

**NEW ARCHDIOCESAN YEAR BOOK:** These are available as you come into Church. Price: £ 3.00

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2022:** Thank You to those parents who have already registered their children to join the preparation programme for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion 2022. You should have received an email from me containing more information. If any other parents wish to register their children, registration forms will be available at the Masses this weekend. Thank You. Mary Taylor (on behalf of the Catechetical team).

**WEEKDAY MASSES** : Numbers for the Weekday Masses have increased, so these Masses will be in the Church. Please dress warmly.

**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

**HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS:** If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion or if you need help please contact Canon Mike.

**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.

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

**PARISH WEBSITE** [Daily Mass Readings](#) **Catholic People:** [DECEMBER EDITION](#), **Caritas:** [DEC\\_- JAN BULLETIN](#),

**MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE**

By the time you read this, a New Year will have dawned upon us, 2022, Happy New Year !  
As they say, “Time stops for no person”. We thrust forward in time, some glad we have left the old year behind, others look forward with hope, maybe a little trepidation to the future. We, move forward as a family, the family of St Patrick’s, the Family of God. Mary and Joseph set out on a journey, unsure of where it would take them or how long it would take. Like them, we load up the donkey and move forward, knowing the ‘Bethlehem Three’ are there to guide us. It was not an easy journey for them, neither will it be for us. Some of us will lose our way, others might fall by the wayside but have the courage to take the first step.

Grasp the moment -----“Carpe Diem”

This week, 6<sup>th</sup> January, the Three Wise Men, grasped the moment. They undertook a long and arduous journey, unsure of time or distance. But when they encountered the Child Jesus, their lives changed: they had a new start, a new direction. Let us, like them, follow that star, Jesus the New Light of 2022.

Like you I am a little hesitant. But rest assured, I’ll walk and encourage for you all are fellow pilgrims.

Your friend Priest and Fellow Pilgrim Michael Patrick.

**THANK YOU**

May I thank you for your kind Christmas Offerings (which the ‘wife’ is already spending), your cards and gifts of ‘Lucozade’, but above all for your friendship, support and encouragement. You’ve heard me say that I’m proud to serve the Lord through you, the People of St Patrick’s Grangetown. May this continue for many more years.

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year: “Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.”

And he replied:  
“Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.”

