

**TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle C
Psalter Week 4
Sunday 9TH OCTOBER 2022

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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	8 TH	OCT	TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Liz Joyce
SUN	9 TH	OCT		10.00am	Stevens Family and Olwen Pedersen
MON	10 TH	OCT			
TUES	11 TH	OCT	POPE JOHN XXIII	10.00am	Holy Souls
WED	12 TH	OCT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Souls
THURS	13 TH	OCT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Souls
FRI	14 TH	OCT			
SAT	15 TH	OCT	TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Lu Mooney
SUN	16 TH	OCT		10.00am	Veronica Mary Berridge (Pearce)

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, Helen Owen, Eileen O'Donovan, William Roberts, Lilian Galleozzie, Catherine Matthews, Una Conway, Amparo Powell, Linda O'Donovan, Terence Slagg, Julia Donovan, Stephen John, Colby Gillard-Mason, Hilda Richards, Richard Gerrard, Gareth John, Carole Ann Allsopp, William Hewett, Bridget Monks, Kathleen Cruise, Elaine Woodman, Kitty Webb, 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.

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Olwen Pedersen (Kenny Johnson's sister), Margaret Salter, and Patricia Oliver (née Barry-Carol Edward's sister) who died recently. May they rest in eternal peace

CANDLES You can 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 Amelia Halligan and Lilian Galleozzie**

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.

HOLY COMMUNION: If a child has not made their First Holy Communion, but would like a Blessing can they place their arms across the chest so that Canon and the Minister of the Eucharist know this. Adults wishing to receive a Blessing please do likewise.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Our first meeting will be this Tuesday 11th October at 2.30pm in the Sacristy. Come in through the side porch door, by the garden. We are going to look at the Gospel of St Mark.

PIETY STALL: Pre-Christmas SALE now on. All old stock reduced! Lots of Bargains. Come and Look !

PIETY STALL: Our Piety stall is open Before and After but not during Mass. There are lots of devotional aids and gifts and cards.

Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases. There is a step !

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023 Registration for the Preparation Class for First Holy Communion is now closed. The plan is to have a meeting of Parents who have enrolled their children, in November and parents are reminded to make sure that regular attendance at Mass is a vital part of the preparation. Please make sure that you have your child's form signed at the end of Mass. The date of the meeting is to be arranged. Preparation Classes will begin in the New Year.

MILESTONE: Bill and Brenda Potter, having reached the age of 90, (well, Brenda is not far off), the Catenian Association have arranged to mark the occasion with a Mass for their intentions. This will be in St David's Cathedral on Monday 17th October at 6.30pm Any members of St Patrick's Parish who would like to join the occasion will be welcome.

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.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy 02921 843230 (new number)

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.

FACEBOOK : Friends of St Patrick's Grangetown -www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

We now have a **Twitter** account. Please follow us: St Patrick's Church Grangetown @StPatsGrange.

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

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

PARISH WEBSITE Many people are unaware of what we have on our Parish Website. The Bible readings for the Day are uploaded each day together with reflections and there are links to various Masses on-line. The **SEPT** edition of the Catholic People Publication is also available and there is a wonderful article about our school. Well done! When text is underlined, click on that and it will give more information. This newsletter is there for you to read with details of the weekly Masses and Anniversaries.

MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

As a Priest I've seen and experienced many things but I've never met any one suffering leprosy, but I have met a man who had . He was a fellow student in Rome who had worked in a Leper Colony in Papua New Guinea for a number of years . He told us many stories and showed us a number of photographs of the people he worked and lived with .

At first glance the photographs shocked us but the longer we looked at them I started to "see the inner man", the person who had been rejected by family and friends , the outcast suffering this inner turmoil wanting acceptance maybe with a kind word or a gentle embrace . Today's Gospel tells us of such an encounter with a person willing to touch , encourage and heal both the inner and outer Leper . This man was Jesus .

These unclean people were excluded and ignored by the many and sought refuge , safety and comfort among their fellow lepers. They were accepted for who they were . They lived outside the City Walls away from the "Beautiful People "

Jesus came among them unafraid, and willing to help . We are told . . .

"As Jesus entered the town ten lepers came and asked to be cured . 'Master take pity upon us' "

This he did but only ONE came back to thank Him for this gift of healing . He was a little upset that the other nine failed to thank him .

The one who came back was already an outcast amongst the "Beautiful People" for he was a Samaritan --"Not one of the Chosen People"

If we look around Cardiff or wherever you live, you will find "Lepers", ' not people with boils and a contagious skin condition but people who have been rejected, living lives of loneliness and isolation, banished by the Beautiful People. Again I draw your attention to our Rough Sleepers in the doorways of our towns . The elderly and unemployed living in sub- standard accommodation and many more "LEPERS" who we have banished to a life away from our community .

I was shocked watching the BBC News this week showing us of the suffering in Somalia and a two weeks ago of the people of Pakistan trying to survive the terrible floods . Have these become our "Modern Lepers ?"

"NO ACT OF KINDNESS IS TOO SMALL.
THE GIFT OF KINDNESS MAY START AS A
SMALL RIPPLE THAT OVER TIME CAN
TURN INTO A TIDAL WAVE AFFECTING
THE LIVES OF MANY."

- KEVIN HEATH

