

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Reading Cycle B

Psalter Week 2

Sunday 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021

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SATURDAY	8 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	6.30pm	Bradley Family
SUNDAY	9 <sup>TH</sup> MAY		10.00am	Ben Foday Evelyn Seymour
MONDAY	10 <sup>TH</sup> MAY			
TUESDAY	11 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	Tuesday in the 6 <sup>TH</sup> Week of Easter	10.00am	Martha Spillane
WEDNESDAY	12 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	Wednesday in the 6 <sup>TH</sup> Week of Easter	10.00am	Jimmy Cowley
THURSDAY	13 <sup>H</sup> MAY	ASCENSION OF THE LORD	10.00am	Janet and Gornald Parsons
FRIDAY	14 <sup>TH</sup> MAY			
SATURDAY	15 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	6.30pm	Brigid Johnson
SUNDAY	16 <sup>TH</sup> MAY		10.00am	Molly and John Gray

### 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.

We pray especially for the repose of the souls of Ava Tudsze (Margaret Latham's Mother), Bernard McCarthy, and Colin Brown who passed away recently. May they rest in eternal peace+

We also pray for Philip Hall, Patrick Sullivan, Leon Thomas, Armando Cugno, Antonia Andrade, Cyril Callow, Patricia Callow, Mary Walling, John O'Brien, James Walker, Vincent Meletti, Patrick Dooley, Giovanni Mallozzi, Martha Spillane, Patrick Webber John Henry Davies, Roy Larcombe, Sarah Richards, Imogen Milford, Josie Kennedy, Paul Croll, Brigid Johnson, Catherine Whitehouse, David Bennett, Dolores Bianchi, John Thomas, Barbara Williams, Arthur McGrath 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.

**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 Molly and John Gray and Helen Owen**

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

**CHRIST THE KING PRIMARY: DEPUTY HEAD TEACHER ADVERT.** The Governing Body of Christ The King are seeking to appoint a Deputy Headteacher who is an excellent classroom teacher with high expectations and who will strengthen their ambitious and hardworking leadership team. Applications are welcomed from experienced Catholic professionals who are seeking a new challenge in a vibrant school that is aiming for excellence. Visits to the school are warmly welcomed. Please contact the Headteacher to make an appointment. <https://www.christthekingcathprm.co.uk>

**2020 MISSIO RED BOXES:** in the last year, despite our Church being in 'lockdown', St Patrick's has raised £1021.96. Thank you for this tremendous effort and please continue to support Missio in your prayers and donations. If you do not have a Red Box at home and would like one, please contact me at Mass or on the telephone number below. I will be emptying Red Boxes during the month of April. If I am not present at Mass, please leave your Box with Christine and not at the back of the Church. Thank you: Gerry McCarthy 02920 650 330

**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.

**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

**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.

### **WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEBSITE?**

**Catholic People:** **MAY EDITION**

**Caritas:** **MAY- JUNE BULLETIN**

**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'.

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

**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.

**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.

**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.

**NEW COLLECTION BOXES:** These are now available from the back of the Church. If you pay Income Tax and you do not already Gift Aid your collection and you would like to do so, please do not take a box, but take a form so that a new numbered box can be allocated to you. There is absolutely no cost to you and we can claim back 25p extra for every £1 you give. Just fill in the form and give it to Pattie Johnson so that this can be arranged and you will be given a box with a new number.

### **MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE**

#### **Poem by Fr. Michel Quoist The Bricklayer**

The bricklayer laid a brick on a bed of cement,  
Then with a precise stroke of his trowel, spread another layer,  
And without a by-your-leave, laid on another brick,  
The foundations grew visibly,  
The building rose, tall and strong to shelter people,  
I thought, dear Lord, of that brick buried in the darkness at the base of the building.  
No-one sees it, but it accomplishes its task and the other bricks need it.  
Lord, what difference does it make whether I am on the roof-top or in the foundation of your building.  
As long as I stand faithfully at the right place.

When I read the above, I thought of Mary Taylor, one of our teachers at St Patrick's Primary School. Mary has been a "Foundation Stone at the school for Forty Years. If you know the lady you'll recognise that she's not one for the limelight, not an attention seeker, trying to promote herself, but is there to promote her children, her school and her Faith.

Foundation stones are strong and solid, holding up the building. Mary is strong in her love for the children. She was determined to educate the children in the Love of God and neighbour. People talk about Priesthood as a Vocation, correct, but Vocation is more. It's a calling, a living out of one's life through a particular calling and Mary had a Vocation to teaching.

“Why did God make me? “

This was the question at the start of the ‘Penny Catechism’ And the answer?

“To know Him, to Love Him and Serve Him in this life and to be Happy with Him forever in the next.”

Mary served the Lord through teaching. Now she retires from the classroom and has decided to open up an ice-cream stall at Barry Island with her husband, Tommy.

Mrs Taylor was an influence on generations of Grangetown children. I met Mary when I was a curate and have still remained friends. Her Faith was real, a living vibrant Faith, and she shared it with both staff and children. She has a great devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes so I pray that Jesus, Mary, Joseph and St Patrick will bless and protect her. May her example be followed by others who teach our children, so pray for her and her beloved school of St Patrick's.

PS Don't forget to visit her ice-cream stall after lockdown !



### LIFE'S LIKE THAT!

Three priests from neighbouring parishes were having lunch at a diner. The first said “ You know, since the summer started I've been having a lot of trouble with bats in the loft and attic of my church. I've tried everything – noise, spray, cats – nothing seems to scare them away.”

The second priest replied “ Me too. I've got hundreds of those things living in my bell tower and in the porch attic. I've had the whole place fumigated, but they still won't go away.”

The third said “ I had that problem a while ago. So I baptised all the bats and haven't seen one since !”

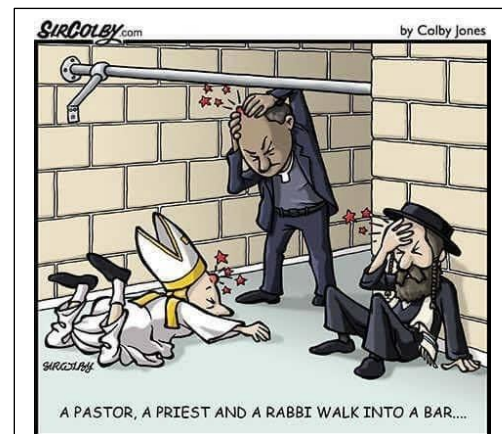
One Sunday morning a mother was getting ready for Church when she noticed her son wasn't up yet. She finally went in to wake him up. “ Come one, get up. You'll be late for Mass” she said.

“ I don't want to go !” said her son as he buried his head under the pillow.

“ You have to go” the mother coaxed.

“ No, I'm not going” he insisted “ And I'll give you two reasons: no-body there likes me and I don't like them.”

Indignantly, his mother replied. “ You are going to Church and I'll give you two reasons: You're 45 years old and you're the Parish Priest.



Two Jewish fathers, long time friends, happened to meet. One seemed depressed. “ What's wrong ?” the other asked. “ There's terrible trouble in my family “ the first man said. “ I sent my son to Israel so that he would become a better Jew, and believe it or not, he came home a Catholic.

“ Funny you should mention that “ said the second man. “ Exactly the same thing happened to my son, I sent him to Israel in hope that he would become a better Jew, and believe it or not he also came home a Catholic.”

Together, they decided to seek the advice of their rabbi. He responded “ Funny you should mention that” said the rabbi, “because exactly the same thing happened in our family. I sent my only son to Israel in hope that he would become a better Jew, and believe it or not he also came home a Catholic.

The three men fell to their knees and with tears streaming down their faces, cried their troubles out to God. Finally, they heard a voice from heaven “ Funny you should mention that.....”