

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Reading Cycle A

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Psalter Week 1

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SAT	21 ST FEB	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm	Imelda Crowe R.I.P William Surman R.I.P
SUN	22 ND FEB		10.00am	SherryAnne Gould R.I.P Antonio Cicillini R.I.P Phil+ Abbie Cohen R.I.P
MON	23 RD FEB	Weekday of Lent	10.00am	People of the Parish
TUES	24 TH FEB	Weekday of Lent	10.00am	Bernard Barrett R.I.P
WED	25 TH FEB	Weekday of Lent	10.00am	Dila Gjoni R.I.P
THURS	26 TH FEB	REQUIEM MASS	11.30am	PATRICIA BARRY
FRI	27 TH FEB	Weekday of Lent	10.00am	Michael Hooper R.I.P
		Stations of the Cross	3.00pm	
SAT	28 TH FEB	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm	Muriel Callaghan R.I.P
SUN	1 ST MARCH		10.00am	People of Wales

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

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Michael McDonald, Janet Doyle, Patricia Barry, Sheila Donovan (nee Hodge), Pauline Lukawekyj, a Special Intention, Dila Gjoni, Tina Lucas and Jason Micallef May they rest in eternal peace.

This week we also pray for Reginald Cross (1980), Alexander Meek, Agnes Hodge, James Kent (1981), Mary Welsh, Hetta Summers Anastasia Brown (1982), Peter Curley (1984), Teresa Thompson, Denis Cole (1985), Mary Thomas Anthony Cuddihy, (1986), Ernest Bull, David Wilson (1989), Henry Barry, Julia Gentles (1991), Mary Mcgrath (1992), Dominik Halendy, Michael McAndrew (1993), Katherine Taylor, Winifred Conway, Philomena Cohen (1996), Stanley Jeffreys, Aileen Robb (1997), Kathleen Simpson (1998), Anna Spiteri, Bernard Rowley (2001) Ronald Sloman (2003), Helen Lopategui, Brian Lepore (2004), John Redican (2005), Paolina Ianucci (2007), William Hall (2008), Michael O'Donovan, Michael Fitzgerald (2009), Terence Manders (2011), Thomas Stenson (2013), Daniel Allsopp (2016), John Fitzgerald, Mabel O'Hanlon (2017) Shirley James (2019), Bill Bowen (2021), Sheila Kowalewska, Remundo Salustiano, Margaret Sheila Rees (2022), Angela Osbourne (nee Hannay) (2023) Bernard Barrett (2024), Laura Timothy, and all 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 candles will be lit for the Harold Osmond, Sheila Donovan, Pauline Lukawekyj and the Well Being of Ken and Gloria Johnson,

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION Each Friday during Lent at 3.00pm. All welcome.

'WALK WITH ME' LENTEN BOOKS: Available at the Piety Stall £1.00

CHANGE OF VENUE: Lenten Station Mass Friday February 27th 7.00pm in ST CADOCS, BURNHAM AVENUE LLANRUMNEY.CF3 5LT This Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark. All are welcome.

ANOTHER DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: The SVP Mini Vinnies in St Patrick's School invite the Grandparents from Years 1 and 2 and Parishioners from St Patrick's Church to an afternoon Easter Preparation Celebration on Friday 13th March 1.30- 2.30pm. See poster on Event's Board for more details.

PARISH REPORTING PROFORMA FOR JANUARY: This is on the Events and Noticeboards at the back of the Church.

LIVE STREAM LINK: A camera and all the tech stuff have been installed. Church Services can be viewed live on the Parish Website. This should be available on computers, tablets and phones. Parishioners are reminded that the live stream is always active in the Church and covers the Altar and first 6 rows of the church. If you do not wish to be on the live stream please sit further back.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION after any Mass. just ask Canon Mike.

PIETY STALL: New arrivals for Easter and Mothering Sunday: gifts, cards and candles. More new stock to come !!

DONATING TO THE PARISH ONLINE: Please see the link on the Home Page on the Parish website

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.

PARISH WEBSITE: This is updated every day. There is the reading for the day, and a reflection, the latest newsletter, times of Masses. There is also a link to the online stream. Find out more, www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

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.

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

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? 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 Ward details if possible. 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 contact Canon Mike.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 14th/15th February £ 657.70

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

Well it's arrived , the start of Lent is upon us . Have you seen an improvement in your dealings with God and neighbour ? Thank you to the number of people who came to Mass on Ash Wednesday and if you recall I said "Turn back to God and be Faithful to the Gospel" as the Ash was placed upon your head . Have you turned back to God ? Have you been faithful to the Gospel ?

During this past year have you or the Parish been seen as a People of Outreach ?

A while ago I spoke of moving from the barricades, living the Faith among people, walking out of Church, Temple, Mosque or Synagogue, in our case following the teachings of Jesus . The White Monks who were in abundance for many years within Wales, the Cistercians, who tilled the soil every day as well as taking time to worship God , "To Work is to Pray " believed that their prayer life found meaning through manual work.

For some instead of grasping this Sacred Time of turning back to God they turn away, maybe refusing to acknowledge The Father's hands, and NOT grasp a stick to humiliate and punish, but show hands open in tenderness and understanding

"Come back to me with all your heart , for I am a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger but rich in mercy "

DO YOU BELIEVE THIS ? YOU SHOULD, BECAUSE IT'S TRUE

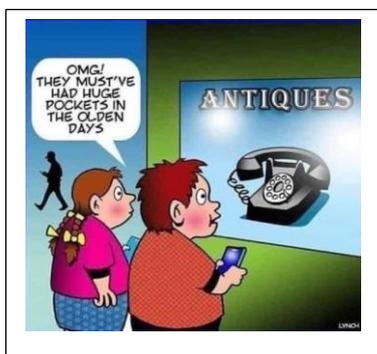
The Muslim community here in Grangetown is alive and flourishing . They are not afraid to practice their Faith . You see them a number of times each day heading to the Mosque in prayer, unlike the Catholic community who have great difficulty in coming together ONE DAY A WEEK . . .

What will become of the Catholic Community of St Pat's in the next few years ? You have also heard me speak about the Muslim Holy Month of Ramadan , their equivalent of Lent , when they fast between Sunrise and Sunset and as a community make this month an opportunity to reach out to those in need, in handing out food parcels and such like acts of charity to the old and needy .

What do we do as individuals, let alone as a Community of believers ? "What can we do , what are we able to do , what are we willing to do ?"

What will you achieve as a 50yr old by giving up sugar or sweets as you've been doing since childhood. Has it brought a deeper awareness of God's love and mercy ? Maybe you could encourage someone to return to the Lord and bring some of our children from our schools, who are the "Church of today and the Hope of Tomorrow ' , to witness what it's like to journey as a family of believers who are turning to the Lord through living out the Gospel. ”.

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In tears Mary Clancy went up to Fr O'Grady after the 10 o'clock Mass. He asks "What's bothering you, Mary my dear?"

She replies " Oh Father, I've got terrible news. My husband passed away last night."

The priest says " Oh Mary. That's terrible. Tell me did he have any last requests?"

She says " That he did Father. He said 'Please Mary, put down that gun'"

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The children were all lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic Primary School for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. There was a note posted by the fruit. "Take only one. God is watching"

At the other end of the line was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies.

One child whispered to another " Take all you want. God is watching the apples".