

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Reading Cycle C

Psalter Week 3

Sunday 20TH MARCH 2022

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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	19 TH MAR	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	6.30pm	Tom and Bernadette
SUN	20 TH MAR		10.00am	Lu Mooney
MON	21 ST MAR			
TUES	22 ND MAR	NO MASS TODAY		
WED	23 RD MAR	NO MASS TODAY		
THURS	24 TH MAR	NO MASS TODAY		
FRI	25 TH MAR	WAY OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION	3.00pm	
SAT	26 TH MAR	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 'LAETARE SUNDAY' MOTHERING SUNDAY	6.30pm	Shirley, Baby Cheryl and Barney Burnett And a Special Intention
SUN	27 TH MAR		10.00am	All Mothers

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 Margaret Cotter, Sheila Roberts, Helen Curthoys, Audrey McKendrick, Helen Condon, Kathleen Rawlings, Julia Williams, Gillian Roberts, Phyllis Formosa, Dorothy Rogers, Violet May Woodyatt, Basil Salvatore, Darren John, James Western, Jane Wanacott and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of, Margaret Rees, and Sheila Kowalawska, who have died recently. May they rest in eternal 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 Forte and Gallacio Families and All Saints**

CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA AND UKRAINE: In an apparition in Fatima on 13 July 1917, the Blessed Virgin Mary asked for Russia to be consecrated to her Immaculate Heart. Pope Francis will perform the Act of Consecration for both Russia and Ukraine on 25 March and will take place during a Penitential Celebration in St. Peter's Basilica. Please remember this intention in your prayers.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION DURING LENT: As usual 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. There is also a list of other Churches (with times) where you may also receive this Sacrament. Please see the website or the sign in the porch for details.

COVID RESTRICTIONS: The wearing of Masks is now not compulsory. However, if you feel happier wearing a face covering, please continue to do so. Still in place: Sanitiser, no kneelers and taped off pews, 7 Day candles only.

Holy Communion is now in its rightful time in the Mass. Please come forward in TWO lines (starting from the back as usual) but return to your seats down the side aisle. (Kneelers are still not to be used to facilitate walking through the pews). At the end of Mass, please use the nearest exit, either of the porches or the main door. For safety, use the grab handle as you go down the steps and please DO NOT stop to chat near the doors or the steps. There is plenty of room once you have cleared the exit.

Also we might have a hymn or two. **If you take a hymn book please return it to the bookcase by the main door OR leave it on the table by the porch door.** Masks to be worn whilst singing..... sorry. Please take a paper copy of the newsletter (if you can't access it online) as you come into Church.

PIETY STALL: Cards for Mothering Sunday, and Easter as well as lots of other lovely things.

CARDIFF HALF-MARATHON: This is taking place on Sunday 27th March (Next Sunday). Please check for road closures.

NEW COLLECTION BOXES: The new boxes are available from this weekend. 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.

WANTED: READERS FOR MASS: A new readers' rota has now been created and we need more volunteers for both weekend Masses but particularly for the 6.30pm Mass on a Saturday.

If you feel able to volunteer for this please contact Samantha Udry on: Mobile – 07813 360635 Email – SammieJay1491@aol.com

WELSH NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: There is a Pilgrimage to Lourdes 25-30th July 2022. More details are on the Parish Website and also www.tangney-tours.com/wnp

OSCAR ROMERO : Lecture given by Gethin Abraham-Williams on Saturday March 26th 11.00am in the Cornerstone. Please see the Parish Website for complete details or e-mail post@cytun.cymru (Zoom or register in person)

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.

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

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

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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. There are links to various Masses on-line as well as a link to an online Stations of the Cross.. The March Catholic People Publication is available. When text is underlined, click on that and it will give more information. This newsletter is there also for you to read with details of the weekly Masses and Anniversaries.

MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

These past few weeks you were asked to contribute to a series of Questions on the Synod called by Pope Francis . Every Baptised Catholic had the opportunity to 'Have their say ' Each reply was different. Those who did reply from within our Parish Community I take this opportunity to thank . The replies , were your replies, they were NOT doctored by me when we compiled them at the end of the exercise All of us have differing views due to our understanding of the Church , as well as our experiences of life.

Each Parish within the Archdiocese, within Wales will be different, and completely different to Parish A in New York, Parish B in India or Parish C in Poland . But they are YOUR VIEWS and that's what makes it important when you sat at your kitchen table taking time and effort to reply.

When Frances was asked 'What was the most important day of your life ?' Many thought he would mention his election as Bishop of Rome or his Ordination but the answer he gave was the Day of his Baptism when he became a Child of God , part of God's Family, the CHURCH. With that came responsibilities to 'Love God and our fellow Brothers and Sisters as we live together here on Earth'

Many want change within the Parish , the Archdiocese , the Church in general, but are not willing to change themselves..

For some they wanted the Church in THEIR IMAGE , not in the Image shown us by the Father's only Son Jesus, The Serving, caring Humble Jesus , the Jesus of the Beatitudes.

So take time to look at your life, for we see the imperfections in others but never in ourselves.

Yes there must be a change of direction within the Institutional Church but as the Wise Men followed the Star and encountered Jesus we must follow the Star that rises in front of us bringing us into the presence of Jesus who will show us a NEW Way.

Let us continue walking with the Lord, walking as Brothers and Sisters becoming Wise Children of Our Loving Father.

I wish to thank Christine Hinds who gave of her time in setting and compiling these questions and answers also attending meetings via the Internet on behalf of us all . Let us take the next step on our journey and may the Lord , Mary Joseph and the Blessed Donkey not forgetting St Patrick be with us all .

Michael Patrick, friend and fellow Pilgrim.

WAY OF THE CROSS and BENEDICTION : EVERY FRIDAY THROUGH LENT AT 3.00PM

