

**TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**

**Reading Cycle A
Psalter Week 2
Sunday 3RD SEPT 2023
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	2 ND	SEPT	TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Maisie Stenson
SUN	3 RD	SEPT		10.00am	Fr Bogdan Wera
MON	4 TH	SEPT			
TUES	5 TH	SEPT	FUNERAL SERVICE	1.15pm	ERNIE LAWSON
			Weekday in Ordinary Time	6.30pm	Maria Greedy
WED	6 TH	SEPT	REQUIEM MASS	10.00am	OLIVE MARY BARTLETT
THURS	8 TH	SEPT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Liz Joyce
FRI	9 TH	SEPT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Fr Bogdan Wera
SAT	10 TH	SEPT	TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Lu Mooney
SUN	11 TH	SEPT		10.00am	Con Callaghan

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 Cox, John Bruncker, James Mackie, Cynthia Cosh, Denis Cole, Betty Deakin, Veronica Broad, Robert Berni, Thomas Moss, Liz Joyce, Mary Molloy, Ted Geary, Maria Greedy, Peter Salter, Queen Elizabeth II, Betty Crowe, Fr Bogdan Wera, Peter Desmond, Margaret Pereira, Catherine Poole, Eileen Squire, Maria Tanti, Trevor Norman, John Daly, Con Callaghan and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Billy Taylor (Mary and Tommy's Brother), Ernie Lawson, Olive Mary Bartlett and Jimmy Conway who passed away 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 can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left either at the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. **This week's candles will be lit for Monica Jermyn and Jimmy Conway**

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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2024 We invite parents /carers of Baptised Catholics in Y3 or above to register their children to enrol in this year's preparation programme for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Registration forms are available from church after weekend Masses. These must be collected and returned by parents / carers. Regular attendance at the weekend Masses is a requirement and Mass attendance sheets will be provided. These will need to be signed on a weekly basis. Further information about dates etc will be provided at a later date. Thank You.

OUR SCHOOL CELEBRATES ITS 150TH ANNIVERSARY !: On Friday 22nd September there will be an afternoon of festivities in the school starting at 1.00pm. Everyone is invited. If you have any old photos please contact the school.

WARNING : The Church e-mail is grangetown@rcadc.org If you receive any e-mails purporting to be from St Patricks or any of our priests, asking for money do not reply. It is a scam. Our real Parish e-mail is above. It goes via the Archdiocese and the rcadc stands for Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 6.30pm
Wednesday REQUIEM MASS AT 10.00am
Thursday 10.00am
Friday 10.00am

FREE BIBLES! : We have been given a quantity of Bibles which are FREE. They are on the table at the back of the Church.

WANTED: ALTAR SERVERS: We are very keen to increase the numbers of Altar Servers for the Weekend Masses. Fr Valentine will tell you everything you have to do and it's a great opportunity to take a more active role in the Mass. All ages !!!

NEWSLETTER FROM THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES: Each week there is a new newsletter.

FOOD AND TOILETRIES APPEAL : Our School is setting up a Fair-Priced Food Shop. To help them with this we are appealing for tinned or dried goods and toiletries. These can be left on the table at the back of the Church and will be taken to the School each week.

COFFEE OR TEA ANYONE? Everyone is welcome in our little café for coffee, tea, cake and a chat after the 10.00am Mass.

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

PILGRIMAGE WALK TO PENRHYS The Archdiocese is organising a guided pilgrimage walk from Cardiff to Penrhys to raise money for the Priest Training Fund on Sat 16 & Sun 17 Sept. Cost includes guides, storytelling evening and lifts back to starting point each day. £40pp for one day/£60pp for two. Visit www.rcadc.org for further information or contact Cathy Morris on 029 2037 9482 or at Catherine.morris@rcadc.org Places are limited so early booking is strongly advised.

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) Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain.

PIETY STALL: More New Stock In . A wonderful new selection of Sympathy Cards, Rosaries and Gifts . Our Piety stall is open Before and After but not during Mass. Also there is a variety of cards that are on the table as you come into Church that are free. **Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases. There is a step !**

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.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion or if you need help please contact Frs Valentine, Solomon or Malachy

PARISH WEBSITE Each day there is something new to read.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 26TH /27TH AUGUST £ 515.53

WEEKLY MESSAGE

In today's Gospel Jesus alerts the twelve that He will have to suffer persecution and death in order to bring about what He has been sent by the Father to do.

Peter, who in the Gospel passage we had last weekend, proclaimed Jesus as the Christ, the Messiah, is blinded by his love for Jesus to the truth that the good we achieve in life comes only through hard work and suffering. He wants to spare Jesus that pain and so he blurts out "God forbid, Lord. No such thing should ever happen to you!"

Peter cannot face the fact that the one he has followed, watched, listened to and believed, could ever put Himself in that position. Peter's human response takes over from his belief in the Lord and it is just too much to face. But Jesus will not be distracted from His task and He rebukes Peter saying "***Get behind me Satan! You are an obstacle to Me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.***" This rebuke seems at first glance to be very harsh.

Origen of Alexandria, an early scholar and theologian suggests that Jesus was saying " Peter, your place is behind me, not in front of me. It is your place to follow in the way I choose, not to try to lead me in the way you would like me to go." If the phrase can be interpreted in that way, something at least of the sting is removed, for it does not banish Peter from Christ's presence; rather it recalls him to his proper place, as a follower, walking in the footsteps of the Lord.

Jesus then tells the twelve in no uncertain terms that they too must suffer what He will suffer if they are to be associated with Him in the work of proclaiming and inaugurating the Kingdom "***Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me***"

This month of September is the month when we celebrate the Care of Creation. We are custodians of our world and our journey of life towards the Heavenly Kingdom, though it may be full of trials and disappointments, there will be times of joy and beauty. Life is about living for the love of God because Jesus is our Lord and Master. If we follow Him and try to live as He invites us to live, He will be with us in all our difficulties; all that He asks is that we place our trust in Him, believe and walk in His steps.

God is saying to you today,
"I will never send you into
a situation alone. I go before
I am standing beside you.
I walk behind you.
Whatever situation you are
facing now, be confident
that I am with you."

We don't
inherit the
earth from
our ancestors,
we borrow it
from our
children.