

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
‘LAETARE SUNDAY’
MOTHERING SUNDAY**
Reading Cycle C
Psalter Week 4
Sunday 27TH MARCH 2022
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

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
MON	28 TH MAR			
TUES	29 TH MAR	Weekday in the Fourth Week of Lent	10.00am	Well Being of Bill Hopkins
WED	30 TH MAR	Weekday in the Fourth Week of Lent	10.00am	Evelyn Seymour
THURS	31 ST MAR	Weekday in the Fourth Week of Lent	10.00am	Margaret James
FRI	1 ST APRIL	WAY OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION	3.00pm	
SAT	2 ND APRIL	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	6.30pm	Jim and Maisie Winifred Gardner
SUN	3 RD APRIL		10.00am	Jean Carter

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, James Western, Jane Wanacott, James O’Leary, Joseph Bradley, Leslie Allsopp, Michael Bourge, Roy Deans, Spiro Tanti, Michael Curmi, Guiseppe Ianucci, Margaret Ann Madigan, Gemma Hanlon, Bernard Lago, Edith Palmer, Frances Prosser, James McCarthy, Michael Hurley and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of, Filomena Dimonaco who has died recently. May she 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 George Gould and Martin Gould**

LAETARE SUNDAY: ‘Laetare’ means ‘to rejoice’ and this word is the opening word in today’s Mass. Laetare Sunday provides us with encouragement as we progress towards the end of Lent. Today is a small break from the penitential season that reminds us of the joy and hope ahead at Easter.

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.

ALL-DAY CONFESSIONS - THE CATHEDRAL. On Saturday 9th April, the Saturday before Holy Week, St David’s Cathedral will be open for the Sacrament of Reconciliation between 10.30am and 5.15pm. A team of priests from the Cardiff parishes and beyond will be available

THE MASS OF CHRISM WITH THE BLESSING OF OILS and the Renewal of Priestly Vows will take place at St. David’s Cathedral on Tuesday 12 April 2022 at 11:30am.

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 and 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.

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 are 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

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

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

This weekend we have 'Mothering Sunday', a time when we think of our Mothers, those living and those who have died. This is a time when we can say 'Thank You' for all they have done for us.

'Mothering Sunday' is about one's "Mother Church" and ours is St Patrick's in Grangetown. During Medieval times when all these islands were Catholic, you were expected to travel back to your Mother Church, the place of your Baptism to confess your sins in preparation for the Feast of Easter. Also it was when servants were given the day off to visit their mothers. Sadly the Religious significance for this day has been lost. It now it is all about flowers, chocolates and cards

When we recall Jesus as he hung on the cross He even then honoured Mary his mother. One of the last things Jesus did on Earth was to take care of His mother. Even in the dying moments of His life, He never stopped loving her. He never stopped caring for her.

In the last weeks we have watched on the news, thousands of mothers in Ukraine, many with babes in arms, and many who have left sons and daughters, to travel hundreds of miles away from their homes to a future unknown, searching for safety. I grieve for them.

As I celebrate Mass this Sunday on the 4th Sunday of Lent "Laetare Sunday" I'll remember all women, especially those going through the most difficult of times, mothers with us, mothers who are grieving for a child lost and those mothers who have died. These I will bring to Mary Our Mother. So whatever your circumstances, may Our Blessed Mother Mary protect and encourage us all and let us give thanks for our Mothers.

Your friend, Priest and adoptive son of Grangetown
Michael Patrick.

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

Prayer of the Consecration of the Ukraine and Russia to Our Blessed Lady. March 25th 2022 . Rome

O Mother, hear our prayer.

Star of the Sea, do not let us be shipwrecked in the tempest of war.

Ark of the New Covenant, inspire projects and paths of reconciliation.

Queen of Heaven, restore God's peace to the world.

Eliminate hatred and the thirst for revenge, and teach us forgiveness.

Free us from war, protect our world from the menace of nuclear weapons.

Queen of the Rosary, make us realize our need to pray and to love.

Queen of the Human Family, show people the path of fraternity.

Queen of Peace, obtain peace for our world.



Mum's recipe for iced coffee: Have children. Make coffee. Forget you made coffee.
Put it in the microwave. Forget you put it in the microwave. Drink it cold.