EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Reading Cycle B Page 251 in the Mass Book Psalter Week 3 Sunday 31ST MARCH 2024

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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	30 TH MARCH	EASTER SUNDAY	6.30pm	People of the Parish
SUN	31 st MARCH	THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	10.00 am	People of the Parish
MON	1 ST APRIL			
TUES	2 ND APRIL			
WED	3 RD APRIL	NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK		
THURS	4 TH APRIL			
FRI	5 th APRIL			
SAT	6 TH APRIL	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	6.30pm	Bernard Johnson R.I.P
SUN	7 TH APRIL		10.00am	Antonio Cicillini R.I.P

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 Roy Deans, Spiro Tanti, Michael Curmi, Guiseppe Ianucci, Margaret Ann Madigan, Gemma Hanlon, Matilda Felices, Bernard Lago, Edith Palmer, Annie Hall, Joanna (Eve) Simmons, Frances Prosser, James McCarthy, Michael Hurley, Yolanda Da Moto, Wladyslaw Struck, Marjorie O'Leary, Sheila Flower, Joan Patten, Muriel Callaghan, Carmello Camileri, Bernard McCarthy, Derek Utley, Beatrice Sultana, David Condon, Terence DorganDesmoind Johnson, Maureen Jackson and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Denis Dowell, and Jimmy Mackie who passed away recently. May they rest in 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.

<u>CANDLES</u> 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's candles will be lit for a Private Intention and Gillian Quinn,

EASTER BLESSINGS TO YOU ALL: Thank you to all who have journeyed with the Lord this Holy Week; to those who have come to our Easter Services and to those who were unable to come, but nonetheless have shared our prayers, and to all who helped make it such a special time in our Church year. Particular thanks must be given to the team of 'brass cleaners' who spent many hours polishing and cleaning our altar ware until it gleams like gold, our choir, our altar servers, the flower ladies, our readers, those who gave their time and driving expertise and all those who work behind the scenes. Thank you too for the donations of Easter Eggs for the children. May the Lord Bless you all this Easter Day and may the Easter Light of the Lord burn brightly in your lives.

<u>GOODBYE-(FOR NOW)</u>: Last week Fr Solomon began a three month stay in St Mary's Canton. We wish him every grace and blessing and thank him for the wonderful school Masses with our children and his lovely singing. We will miss you.

THIS WEEK'S MASSES: As you can see from the list above, there are NO weekday Masses. It is customerary that after Easter the priests have some rest and relaxation. Hopefully the weather will be kind.

<u>OPEN LISTENING SESSIONS:</u> (Union of the Archdiocese of Cardiff and Diocese of Menevia). It is important that we get as many views as possible. The next session in the **Archdiocese of Cardiff** will take place on 15th May in the Cornerstone, Charles St Cardiff. at 5.00pm

OUR CAFÉ: All are welcome to our café for a cuppa and a chat. There are still a few prizes left to be collected. The winning numbers are: **306 491 486 426** Please bring your tickets and collect your prize from the café.

<u>GIFT AID ENVELOPES</u>: If you use envelopes please collect your new box. These start after Easter. Thank you to all who have signed up for this. There is no cost to you and it means the Parish can collect an extra 25p from the Tax Man for every £1 you give

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> 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 put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

<u>NEW TO THE PARISH?</u> If you have been coming to St Patricks for some weeks and would like to be listed as a new Parishioner please complete the proforma at the back of the Church and give it to one of the priests.

<u>CONFIRMATION</u>: Names are being taken for Preparation Classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 8 and above). Please give your name to Mary Taylor or Chris.

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

<u>GOING INTO HOSPITAL?</u> Please 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 the Ward details if possible. When you ring the Chaplaincy 02921 843230 (new number) please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

<u>PIETY STALL:</u> New Stock in. Lots to look at. **<u>Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases.</u>** There is a step !

<u>ONLINE DONATIONS</u>. 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.

<u>GIFT AID</u> 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. New envelopes are available this week.

<u>OR CODE:</u> Many of you will have seen the poster displaying the QR Code for the Parish. This is another way you can donate to the Parish. You will need a QR Code reader on your Phone.

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

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 23rd / 24th March £ 618.54

<u>**PARISH WEBSITE</u>** Each day there is something new to read.</u>

WEEKLY MESSAGE

''You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea , about Jesus of Nazareth ,of how they killed him by hanging Him on a tree yet after three days God raised Him to life again . . . ''

These are the words of Peter to an onlooker who was wondering what was happening around the town of Jerusalem . There are so many people unaware that TODAY is EASTER. They are unaware of its massive significance. For them it is all about flowers and eggs. They are missing so much.

Today, the First Words of the Risen Christ are addressed to us all "PEACE BE WITH YOU "

Jesus spoke these words to Mary of Magdala, not one of the 'High and Mighty " of the community, but a woman sadly despised by the towns people but accepted and loved by Jesus so much so she was chosen as the first to Hear and Experience the Peace of the Risen Lord. What a gift Jesus offers us, His Peace . A Peace that the world is crying out for .

As we look at the World there is so much anger, distrust and cynicism with no respect for our fellow human beings .

There are many individuals not at Peace with themselves, full of anger and hurt, crying out to be loved, searching for True Peace .

Each day Jesus puts before us life or death . Help us always to choose life . We pray for all those we have known who have died , and for those who have no one to pray for them .We ask for the gift of faith and trust when we are faced with the darkness of illness and uncertainty . May we have eyes to see the promise of new life that the darkness cannot hold .

" All our crosses, all our pain, all our sins are healed, forgiven and transformed. Mourning turns to dancing, grief turns to joy, despair turns to hope and fear turns to love ... "

WHY LOOK AMONG THE DEAD FOR SOMEONE WHO IS ALIVE. HE IS NOT HERE . HE IS RISEN

For us who believe in the Risen Lord let us not search among the dead, wallowing in our past failures and mistakes but let us find HOPE, ASSURANCE and CONFIDENCE in the future.

That's what Easter is about . So like Mary, let us meet Jesus today as we REJOICE and cry ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA



