

7th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE
 Reading Cycle A
 Psalter Week 3
 Sunday 24th May 2020
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MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY

SATURDAY	23 rd MAY	7 th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE	George Mackie (Anniversary)
SUNDAY	24 th MAY		

MONDAY	25 th MAY	ST BEDE THE VENERABLE Priest + Dr of the Church	Denis Amor
TUESDAY	26 th MAY	ST PHILIP NERI (Priest) Memorial	
WEDNESDAY	27 th MAY	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY (Bishop)	Moira Bohlin (1 st Anniversary)
THURSDAY	28 st MAY	WEEKDAY 7 th WEEK OF EASTERTIDE	
FRIDAY	29 th MAY	WEEKDAY 7 th WEEK OF EASTERTIDE	

SATURDAY	30 th MAY	PENTECOST SUNDAY	
SUNDAY	31 st MAY		

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 and all who are in self isolation during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we pray that they may receive every grace and blessing. We pray especially for the Repose of the souls of Margaret (Betty) Mills, John Henry Davies, and Margaret Rees who have died recently. May they Rest in Eternal Peace +

We also pray for Anthony Monks, Dennis Amor, Adelaida Almeida, Moira Bohlin and George Mackie whose anniversaries occur at this time. Let us not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families, as well as a prayer of thanks to those working in our hospitals and care homes. Risen Jesus, Hear Our Prayers.

CANDLES FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND Each week votive candles are lit by you, they last approximately 2hrs. 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. A second candle will be lit for the sick and housebound. Each week a named member of the Parish will be remembered by the lighting of a candle.

Candles for specific people will continue to be lit each week. **This week's candle is for George Mackie**

PRAYERS: It is our duty to pray for each other, for those who are sick and those who care for them. But I also ask your prayers for the Chaplains who sit with those who will die, then with the families and then to stand at the graveside bringing the Peace of Jesus, to these broken families. I remember my good friend at Llandough, Peter Davies RC Chaplain, and Dave Pritchard at the Heath.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Please let your parish priest 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

CONTACT: As I said before, you have my telephone number but I don't have yours. So maybe when the isolation comes to an end we can take names and telephone numbers (if we are allowed by data protection) so contact with the vulnerable can be undertaken. Don't forget to pray for the sick and those who look after them and all who are isolated not forgetting those who are and will continue to suffer through lack of food , water and justice.

NATIONAL WEEKLY MASS FOR NHS AND CARE HOME WORKERS : A National Weekly Mass, will be celebrated by one of the Bishops of England and Wales, and live-streamed from his Cathedral, for NHS front-line and Care Home workers, the sick and their families each week at 7-00pm. Thursday 28st May will be celebrated by Bishop Terence Drainey from St Mary's Cathedral Middlesborough Youtube channel

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS, MEETINGS AND CLASSES At the moment all have been suspended

NEW CATHOLIC PEOPLE NEWSPAPER for MAY Available on-line only. Please click on the link on our website homepage.

WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEBSITE: The readings for the day will hopefully be posted each day as well as other items of interest. May is the Month of the Holy Rosary. There are links on the website which may help you with your devotion.

ON-LINE MASS: There are many sites which stream Catholic Masses. Links are on the Website Eg.

<http://www.catholictv.org/masses/catholictv-mass> Daily Mass (On Demand)

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-mary-of-the-angels> Daily Mass

Holy Mass can also be watched on television on Channel EWTN

SAFEGUARDING: Please click on the link for Helplines and Information on the website homepage.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL: Let's not forget the children and staff , some still attending school and also the staff " still teaching" via the Internet.

RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES

I hope this will take place soon, but when it does, it will be for Private Prayer **ONLY**

No matter what you and I wish to happen, we must follow the advice of the Welsh Assembly Government.

People have asked about weekend Mass. The only advice I can give is: let us be patient. The Bishops of England and Wales are fully aware of our feelings and are conveying them to the Authorities.

Mass is still being celebrated for your intentions and those who are lonely and the desperate, and for those who are trying to alleviate the problems of the sick.

MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

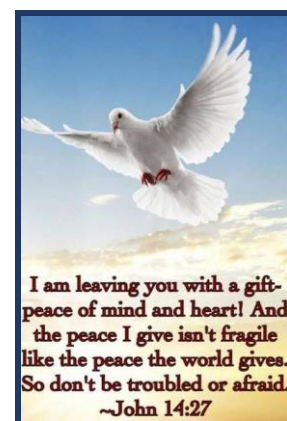
Every one of us has his or her favourite film. One of mine, which I saw during the week, took me back to the Windsor Cinema in Neath. ... Zulu. Today, my three favourite films are: Zulu, The Quiet Man, and The Godfather. Tomorrow could be different! For some it could be a good old fashioned Cowboy film with John Wayne, "She wore a Yellow Ribbon" or something along those lines.

Let's go back to Rorke's Drift January 1879. 150 British soldiers, many of whom were sick and wounded were 'locked down', isolated, not sure of their future. 4,000 Zulu warriors came upon the 24th of Foot, time and time again. The odds were against them but they carried on regardless, for they had in the back of their minds that at some time, coming over the hill, they would be liberated, rescued, no longer 'locked down'.

They were sick and exhausted, many willing to give up the fight. For some, there was no future, no hope, but there were others who fought on, believing that in time the 'cavalry' would come over the hill.

It's the same with us: we are waiting for the 'cavalry' to free us. There are those who are doubtful that Coronavirus will over-run us, will annihilate and destroy us. But we know it will be tamed and that in time a vaccine will be found.

At the Ascension of Jesus to His Heavenly home, some of the apostles were afraid of the future but there were others believing in the Words of Jesus, that He would send the "cavalry" to rescue them. The Holy Spirit is the Cavalry in the Great Feast of Pentecost and it comes to rescue us all,



ST RITA (May 22nd)

Last Friday I celebrated Mass for the many desperate people amongst us. St Rita (1377-1447) married against her parents wishes to a man who was violent and unfaithful, but after he died she became a nun. I had an Aunt Rita who was abused by a violent and unfaithful husband and I remember bringing from Rome an icon of St Rita which she placed on the wall. St Rita had marks on her forehead reminiscent of the marks Christ had, which were made by the crown of thorns.

Let us pray to St Rita for those who carry scars both physical and emotional and are suffering from an abusive relationship.

ST BEDE (May 25th)

Bede was the Patron Saint of my College in Rome , Collegio Beda.

The Venerable Bede was a monk of Jarrow upon Tyne (NE of England) 673-735 AD). He was a Biblical scholar and the first English Historian.

His life was remarkably uneventful, spending his whole life writing and is widely regarded as the greatest of the Anglo-Saxon scholars. He wrote over 40 books about theology and history and was the first to use the dating system AD. On his death-bed Bede was supposed to have said “ Glory be to the Father , and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit”.

The Beda College was founded in Rome in 1875 for ex- Anglican clergymen. Then it was opened up for late vocations from the British Isles. Today it is known throughout the world not only for “ Educating Michael Patrick Evans”, but being a College for late vocations from the whole world.

Please pray for those who are studying there, those working as priests throughout the world, including Ely, Caerphilly, Chepstow, Christ the King, Monmouth, Whitchurch and all those who have died.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT!

A man lay spread out over three seats in the second row of the cinema. As he lay there breathing heavily an usher came over and said “That’s very rude of you sir, taking up three seats. Didn’t you learn any manners? Where did you come from?” The man looked up helplessly and said “ The balcony!”

Three boys are in the school playground bragging about their fathers. The first boy says “ My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem and they give him £500”
The second boy says “ That’s nothing. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper he calls it a song and they give him £1,000.”
The third boy says “ I got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon, and it takes eight people to collect the money !”

SEMI-TRADITIONAL SAYINGS

The meek shall inherit the earth..... after we’re through with it.

If a thing is worth doing, it would have been done already.

Blessed are the flexible, for they can tie themselves in knots.

A closed mouth gathers no foot.

Two rights do not make a wrong, they make an aeroplane.

