

**TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle B

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Psalter Week 3

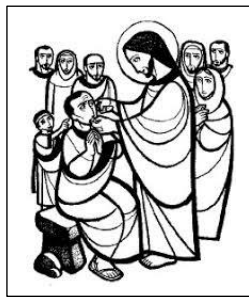
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	7 TH SEPT	TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME EDUCATION SUNDAY	6.30pm	Well Being of Wanda and Jan
SUN	8 TH SEPT		10.00 am	Fr Bogdan R.I.P and Lu Mooney R.I.P
MON	9 TH SEPT			
TUE	10 TH SEPT	BLESSED FREDERIC OZANAM (SVP)	6.30pm	Holy Souls
WED	11 TH SEPT	MEMORIAL OF ST DEINIOL	10.00am	Fr Valentine Anniversary to the Priesthood Con Callaghan R.I.P
THURS	12 TH SEPT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Brendan Leen R.I.P
FRI	13 TH SEPT	MEMORIAL OF ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM	10.00am	Donatus Orjibebe R.I.P
SAT	14 TH SEPT	TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Victor Camilleri R.I.P
SUN	15 TH SEPT		10.00am	Margaret Gould R.I.P Helen Hathaway 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.

Let us pray for the souls of **Helen Hathaway, Barbara Impey (Cross), and Tommy Kiernan** who have died recently. We pray also for those who have died who have no-one to remember them.

We also pray for Maria Greedy, Peter Salter, Queen Elizabeth II., Betty Crowe, Fr Bogdan Wera, Peter Desmond, Margaret Pereira, Donatus Orjibebe (Fr Malachy's Father), Catherine Poole, Eileen Squire, Maria Tanti, Trevor Norman, John Daly, Con Callaghan, Dennis Healey, Mary Anne Connolly, Raymond Millett, Mrs Jewell, Rosa Dimech, Irene Canning, Patrick McMahon, Agnes O'Reilly, Maria Canu, Fr Sean Seddon, Fr Philip McAuliffe and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

CANDLES 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 Kate Malcolm and the Well Being of Pauline Lukaweckji**

THE SEASON OF CREATION: The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. More information on the Parish Website. There is a 9 Day Novena to St Francis.

FR SOLOMON: Many people have asked how Fr Solomon is getting on in St Mary's Canton. Several St Pat's Parishioners attended the party in St Mary's Hall last Sunday and WOW! The Parishioners of St Mary's have embraced him into their Parish and are delighted by how he has settled in. The Hall was full of well-wishers and there were several tributes to him, lots of laughter and CAKES !!! Well done Fr Solomon.

SPORT IN GRANGETOWN: The next Grangetown History Society talk will be about Sporting Personalities from Grangetown. This will take place in the Grange Pavilion on Thursday 19th September 6.30pm FREE! See Poster on the Events Board in the Porch.

OLD SPECTACLES/ GLASSES: **THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA** are collecting any old prescription spectacles/glasses (no cases) to be sent overseas to Third World Countries. There is a box at the back of the Church to put your old items in. Also the Knights are going to be meeting on the last Sunday of every month. Please see Patrick McCarthy for more information. This is an all male organisation and they are looking for new members.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: There will be a meeting soon of all the parents and candidates who have registered. Please check your e-mails and announcements at Mass for details. **ATTENDANCE AT WEEKLY MASS IS A REQUIREMENT.** If you have not completed your registration form please return this as soon as possible. Check your Spam if you haven't received an e-mail and see Mary, Renata or Chris (6.30 pm Sat, or 10.00am Mass on Sunday) Mary's e-mail is marvstpatricksgrange@gmail.com

COMING TO MASS: We have noticed that we are seeing lots of new faces in our Congregation. 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. Please make a note of the time Mass starts and if you can, be present for the whole of Mass. Well done to all who come early to 'get a good seat!!'

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: You can receive this Sacrament after any Mass, just let one of the priests know.

PIETY STALL: . SALE ! Last Year's Christmas stock clearance ! Candles and gifts from £ 1. There are lots of cards and religious gifts suitable for all occasions at very reasonable prices. **Take care on the step if you look in the wall cupboards.**

FREE TABLE: On the table in the porch there is a variety of items that are free to a good home... cards .. all sorts.

THE ARCHDIOCESAN THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary? Or at a significant stage in your marriage, e.g. new baby, illness, empty nesters, retirement, bereavement etc... *The Archdiocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage* is being celebrated for ALL married (and engaged) couples in *St David's Cathedral on Saturday 5th October at 12 noon*, and you are all invited; the widowed are also invited and will be included in the prayers of intercession.

You might also consider having your anniversary date included in the Mass booklet and share photographs to form part of a reflective presentation. For more details, to share information and to express your wish to attend, please contact Joanne White via flc@rcadc.org; you can still be included even if you are unable to attend in person as the Mass will be livestreamed via the Cathedral website.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Please put your details on the proforma at the back of the Church and give it to Fr Malachy. The Adult Sacramental Classes (RCIA) will begin soon

CONFIRMATION: We have been given a date in May 2025 for our Confirmations. We already have some names. In 1976 153 children were Confirmed on the same day in St Pat's. We have some way to go to beat that record! So, calling all young people Year 8 and above. Register NOW. Attendance at Weekly Mass is a requirement for all Candidates.

MASS INTENTIONS 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 indicate if the person is deceased. Please put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines and Information on the Parish Website Homepage. A First Aid Box is kept in the Sacristy.

CHURCH CLOOLECTIONS: 25TH AUGUST -- £516.18 1ST SEPTEMBER £621.72

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? 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.

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

WEEKLY MESSAGE

The man we hear about in this weekend's Gospel could be any one of us. We have to let Jesus 'stick His fingers in our ear's and allow Him to open us to His word, His gift of life. But we have to come to Him for this to happen.

For a moment, think about the way He approached the man.. Most of the time when Jesus cured people, He spoke to them, gave them an instruction or told them their sins had been forgiven. This time He used actions. He found a way to communicate with the man, before healing him.

Finding a way to communicate with people is so important. The Lord will heal our tongues so we can proclaim Him to a world that can't or is reluctant to hear. But, how can we tell the world, or even just one friend, the wonders we know about Him, if we can't communicate with them. The challenge we are given as Christians is how do we start the conversation for the Lord. He will finish it if we can just start it. He wants us to be the bearers of His Good news.

Last Sunday we began the Season of Creation. This is a month set aside when we can consider how we, as custodians of our world are doing. And let's be fair... not very well. Cast your eyes around you, even in our own locality there is rubbish everywhere. As well as having ears to hear and voices to speak, we need to use our eyes so that we can appreciate the beauty of God's world and when we see something that spoils that beauty, take action. God created our world for us, and one way He communicates with us is through the beauty that we see. When we are given a gift, we do not destroy it or treat it with disrespect, we thank the giver and receive graciously. Last week the message was about letting the Holy Spirit into our hearts so that it is ready for action. Let not the Word of the Lord fall on deaf ears. May we this week do one thing: to thank the Lord for the Beauty that He has given us, for allowing us to be the one species on this planet that is aware of God as our Creator and that God is Life. He is speaking to us every minute of every day. Let our ears be ready to hear what He has to say and our tongues be ready to share that Good News in both the words we say and the deeds we do.

Open Our Ears

Open our ears, that we may hear Your voice.
Ready our minds to make the wisest choice.
Let not God's words fall onto arid ground;
Help us to keep the precious gifts we've found.

Let us receive His holy words of truth;
Gems that He taught us, all throughout our youth
Now is the time for discord to be shed
In preparation for the goal ahead.

