

12th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Reading Cycle A

Psalter Week 4

Sunday 21st June 2020

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MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY

SATURDAY	20th JUNE	12TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (FATHERS' DAY)	Maldwyn Evans And all Fathers
SUNDAY	21st JUNE		

MONDAY	22nd JUNE	SS John Fisher and Thomas Moore (Feast)	
TUESDAY	23rd JUNE	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
WEDNESDAY	24th JUNE	NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST (Solemnity)	
THURSDAY	25th JUNE	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
FRIDAY	26th JUNE	Weekday in Ordinary Time	

SATURDAY	27th JUNE	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
SUNDAY	28th JUNE	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL (Solemnity)	

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 Phyllis Mary Fitzsimmons and Jeanette Marie John who have died recently. May they Rest in Eternal Peace +

We also pray for Marjorie (Pat) Collins, Maria Tanti, and Eileen Kennedy 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 will be lit for all Fathers**

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.

OPENING THE CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER: The Welsh Assembly Government has announced that Places of Worship may open for private prayer. There is a strict set of procedures that need to be undertaken before permission is granted from the Archdiocese to enable us to open. When these have been completed and permission is granted, I will let you know. We still need volunteers.

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

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

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 25th June .Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan Hopes in the Cathedral of St John the Baptist Norwich <https://www.sjbcathedral.org.uk/>

WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEBSITE: The readings for the day will hopefully be posted each day as well as other items of interest.

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.catholicstv.org/masses/catholicstv-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.

MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

What was your favourite Vera Lynn song? These last few days, TV and Radio have been playing a selection of her songs, but the one I love ? “ *The Nightingale Sang in Berkley Square*”. I listen to that and picture my parents and those of that generation dancing arm in arm around the ballroom. Those were the days ! My father and mother would dance in the local clubs around Neath. They say he was a good dancer. I don't remember my father as a dancer but it is his other qualities which spring to mind. I've told you many times that he worked on the Buses as a Conductor and one gift he had was one of communication. Whoever came on his bus was treated with respect, drunk or sober on the “Last Stage Coach” to leave the depot on a Friday night. He worked hard for his family, living and loving within the Community of love. There were times when I failed him and showed a lack of respect. He had an open heart, willing to forgive even my ‘know-it-all- attitude’.

The times we would argue, and as I've told you before I regret those times and still carry the guilt.

“ *Where ever and whatever you do, the door will always be open.... this is your home.*”

These words resonate today on what we call “ Fathers' Day” . This is how I see our relationship with God Our Father, the open heart, the loving embrace, the open door to the family home. For us our True Home is in Heaven. Please God that's in the future, but as we are alive and a brother and sister, the Church is our home, no closed doors, no questions asked ... “ What time do you call this? Where have you been? What have you been up to ?”

“*You are my Child, I am your Father.*

I love you with a Father's love”

I see and experience God as a loving Father based upon the relationship I had with mine.

I've told you of a young married wife and mother who had an abusive relationship with her father, sadly she took her own life. There are people reading this who are afraid of coming home, for in their eyes they will receive a clip around the ear from a resentful and bitter God. NO! NO! NO!

Please don't think that way. God knows and loves you as you are, warts and all !

“ *Come back to me with all your heart.*

For I am full of tenderness and compassion”

So on this Fathers' Day let us celebrate this day with thankfulness. Let us, as Children of the Father, recognise that all peoples, black, white and brown are precious. Life is precious, from the Cradle to the Grave. So the words of Vera Lynn ring in my ears.... “ Maldwyn, we'll meet again, I know where , But I don't know when.”


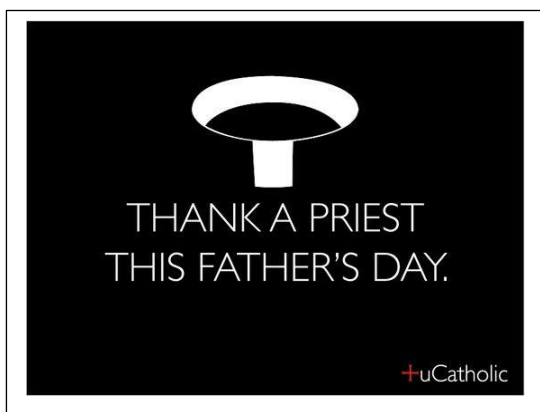
Priests, Fathers and Friends

This Archdiocese and in particular Cardiff and Newport must say a big “Thank You” to the Rosminians who when they first arrived in St Mary’s Newport in the 1850’s were Italian Priests ministering to Irish immigrants.

They founded our Parish of St Patrick’s along with most of the old City Parishes. The Original Priests who arrived brought with them many of the traditions of their country. The Church within Britain was very different to that in Italy at that time.

The style of dress was different. The clergy here would dress like the people of the area and were addressed as Mister. When the Italian Priests arrived they were called Padre, then it became Father. They introduced many other Roman traditions, which a great number of our clergy wish to project today. Nostalgia for the past !

So pray for the priests who serve the people of God , that they may show they are true Fathers to their Parishioners: loving caring and understanding. It’s a big responsibility being a Father. May I and all other Priests live up to our calling as Fathers.



God Our Father, through the intercession of St Joseph, Foster Father of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks and praise for all Fathers. We pray for them so that they may find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We pray for those children who are lost and suffering: may they know that God the Father who is full of Love and Compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for the fathers, grandfathers and great grand fathers who are no longer with us, Bless them and may they rest in peace. Let us pray for priests and religious, Who guide us with fatherly love and advice. May they be filled with the Holy Spirit. Amen

LIFE’S LIKE THAT!

A couple were admiring their garden from the kitchen window. The wife said: “Sooner or later, you’re going to have to make a proper scarecrow to keep the birds off the flower beds.”

“What’s wrong with the one we’ve got?” asked the husband.

“ Nothing. But mother’s arms are getting tired”.

A man told his neighbour: “ I took my dog to the vet today because it bit my mother-in-law”.

“ Oh?” said the neighbour “ Did you have it put to sleep?”

“ No, I had its teeth sharpened”.

The different qualities of Men and Women.

Women are honest, loyal and forgiving. They are smart, knowing that knowledge is power. But they still know how to use their softer side to make a point. Women want to do their best for their family, their friends and themselves. Their hearts break when a friend dies. They have sorrow at the loss of a family member, yet they are strong when they think there is no strength left. A woman can make a romantic evening unforgettable. Women drive, fly, walk, run or e-mail you to show how much they care about you. Women do more than just give birth. They bring joy and hope. They given compassion and ideals. They give moral support to their family and friends. And all they want back is a hug and a smile. The heart of a woman is what makes the world spin.

Men are good at lifting heavy stuff and killing spiders.

