# SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Reading Cycle A
Psalter Week 2
Sunday 15<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023
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### MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

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SAT	14 <sup>TH</sup> JAN		6.30pm	Conceicao Camacho
SUN	15 <sup>TH</sup> JAN	SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	George and Margaret Stevens
MON	16 <sup>TH</sup> JAN			
TUES	17 <sup>TH</sup> JAN	MEMORIAL OF ST ANTHONY (Abbot)	10.00am	Gillian Allen
WED	18 <sup>TH</sup> JAN	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Con Callaghan
THURS	19 <sup>TH</sup> JAN	NO MASS		
FRI	20 <sup>TH</sup> JAN			
SAT	21 <sup>ST</sup> JAN	THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Rosario Camacho
SUN	22 <sup>ND</sup> JAN		10.00am	Special Intention

## 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 Barbara Murray, Denis Cook, Dorothy Rendell, Joseph Doyle, Millonia Ackroyd, Giovanni Buhagiar, Miguel Felices, Kathleen McCarthy, John Lopategui, Elizabeth Cowley, Stephen Holihan, Maria Collins, Phyllis Doolan, Horace Wood, Kathleen Watt, Terence Morissey, Denis Straughan and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Do not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families, particularly those who have no-one to remember them. Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Kevin Smith and Glynn Roberts who died recently. May they rest in eternal peace

<u>CANDLES</u> You can 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 Georgina Bennett and a Special Intention**If you choose to light a T-Light (**20p each**) please start from the top row down on the votive stands and light them with care.

**GOOD NEWS!** Heating is back on !!!

**<u>DOORS</u>**: Please remember to close the doors so that the cold wind does not blow through the Church. The side Porch doors are unlocked, for Health and Safety, and can be opened in case of emergency.

**<u>BIBLE STUDY GROUP:</u>** This is a very small group, led by Parishioners. We are looking at the Gospel of St Mark and you find out all sorts of interesting things en route. We meet in the Sacristy at 2.30 pm on a Tuesday. Come through the Garden gate by the side of the Church and through the side Porch. All welcome.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023:** Parents who have registered their children to receive the sacraments should have received an email with further information. There is a new attendance sheet. Please return your completed one and collect a new one when you attend Mass. Please contact Mary Taylor <a href="mailto:marystpatricksgrange@gmail.com">marystpatricksgrange@gmail.com</a> if you haven't received this email. Thank You

ARCHDIOCESAN YEAR BOOK 2023: These are on sale as you come into Church £3.00

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** As usual for those who wish to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), may do so at the END of each weekend Mass NOT before Mass.

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL** Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy 02921 843230 (new number)

**PIETY STALL:** Our Piety stall is open Before and After but not during Mass. There are Mothering Sunday Cards and Gifts and also Easter Cards and Gifts Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases. There is a step!

<u>DIARY FOR MASS INTENTIONS:</u> Please give your requests to Pat Johnson or Chris German and try to ask well in advance of the date you would like.

ONLINE DONATIONS: 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.

GIFT AID 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.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> January -- £ 639. 30

FACEBOOK: Friends of St Patrick's Grangetown - www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

We now have a **Twitter** account. Please follow us: St Patrick's Church Grangetown @StPatsGrange.

**HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS:** If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion or if you need help please contact Canon Mike.

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

<u>PARISH WEBSITE</u> 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. The Caritas Bulletin for **JANUARY** When text is underlined, click on that and it will give more information. This newsletter is there for you to read with details of the weekly Masses and Anniversaries, and ... Canon Mike's Weekly Message. Also the Christmas Message from Pope Francis and the Catholic People Newspaper for **DECEMBER** 

## MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

I've shared with you many times my remembrance of John Paul's visit to Cardiff and of my "Cunning Plan" to obtain his White Skull Cap along with the letter from Archbishop Murphy saying how I had brought shame upon the Archdiocese and the Church and thus he had no option but to refuse to ordain me the following month. Well, as you can see he was talked out of it.

Saint John Paul 2nd visited the UK and celebrated the Sacraments in different parts of the country. When he visited the People of Wales on 2nd June 1982 he celebrated the Sacrament of the Eucharist, Holy Communion. Some children on that day were to receive their First Holy Communion from him. Firstly he talked to them and to all who were there and his words are as important today as they were on that day . He explained that through their Baptism these children were **THE CHURCH** . They had the same rights and privileges as any other Baptised Person

## "THESE CHILDREN ARE THE CHURCH OF TODAY AND THE HOPE OF TOMORROW"

It has been brought to my attention that some members of our Parish Community have been making adverse comments and giving disapproving looks towards the parents with their children/babies and about the noise they make in Church.

I have said many times that this "IS A HOUSE OF WELCME . . . TY CROESO".

We are an inclusive parish, a parish of believers in following the example of Jesus of the Beatitudes. Who are we to castigate these children, who in their own way "are singing God's praises"

Have you thought of speaking words of encouragement rather than words that criticize the mother or father?

I am aware that it can sometimes be distracting or annoying for you and for me because many a time I've stopped preaching due to a child crying or screaming but if that's your child don't be embarrassed, just move to the back of the church and in your own time re-join the "Community of Welcome".

This Parish like so many has a tendency to chat rather loudly before and after Mass imposing their noise upon the Sacred Silence of those who wish to encounter the Lord, like Moses upon the mountain with the Burning Bush.

Our church is a refuge for Sinners like me, a house of welcome for all, people of all ages, of all nationalities, of believers and non believers and for those seeking the Lord.

I'm proud to be part of this community on the road to the Promised Land.





