

**TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF  
ORDINARY TIME**

**Reading Cycle A**

**Psalter Week 4**

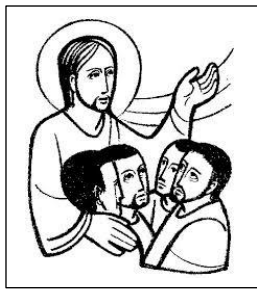
**Sunday 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 2023**

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**MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**

SAT	16 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT	TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Holy Souls
SUN	17 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT		10.00am	Catherine and Michael Burns R.I.P
MON	18 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
TUES	19 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT		6.30pm	Margaret Salter R.I.P
WED	20 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT	MEMORIAL OF SS ANDREW KIM TAE-GON AND COMPANIONS	6.30pm	People of the Parish
THURS	21 <sup>ST</sup> SEPT	FEAST OF ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST	10.00am	Maria Rosario Camacho R.I.P
FRI	22 <sup>ND</sup> SEPT	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	St Rita
SAT	23 <sup>RD</sup> SEPT	TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Jim and Maisie Stenson R.I.P
SUN	24 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT		10.00am	Intention of St Patrick's Choir

**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 William (Bill) Bryon, Joseph Massari, Patrick Graven, Veronica Searle, Margaret Salter, Leonard Gibson, Mary Beck, Monica Bulpin, Francis Pietrowski, Terence O'Brien, Pamela O'Donovan, Elizabeth Sullivan, Fr William O'Connor, Fr Rowland Evans and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Fr Malachy's Father, Antonia Bied, Terry Herring (from the choir), and Jimmy Conway who passed away recently. May they rest in eternal peace. Jimmy's Requiem Mass will be on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am here in St Patrick's.

Do not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families, particularly those who have no-one to remember them.

**CANDLES** You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left either at the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. **This week's candles will be lit for Christopher Monks, Anthony Monks and Mark Anthony Anderson**

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.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2024** We invite parents /carers of Baptised Catholics in Y3 or above to register their children to enrol in this year's preparation programme for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Registration forms are available from church after weekend Masses. These must be collected and returned by parents / carers. Regular attendance at the weekend Masses is a requirement and Mass attendance sheets will be provided. These will need to be signed on a weekly basis. Further information about dates etc will be provided at a later date. Thank You.

**BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** If you would like these occasions to be celebrated in Church, please put details on the sheet and Chris will put it in our new 'Celebrations Book'

**COFFEE , TEA AND A FORTHCOMING RAFFLE** Everyone is welcome in our little café for coffee, tea, cake and a chat after the 10.00am Mass. **Next week we are going to have a raffle (it will be drawn on that day).**

**OUR SCHOOL CELEBRATES ITS 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY !:** **This is a change of date.** On Friday 29th September there will be an afternoon of festivities in the school starting at 1.00pm. Everyone is invited. If you have any old photos please contact the school.

**THE SURPRISING HISTORY OF GRANGETOWN:** Who built it and why was it once in Penarth!! Find out about this and other stuff about Grangetown from 1100- 1900. Free event in the Grange Pavilion on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 6.30pm. (with pictures and maps!)

**WARNING :** **The Church e-mail is [grangetown@rcadc.org](mailto:grangetown@rcadc.org)** **If you receive any e-mails purporting to be from St Patricks or any of our priests, asking for money do not reply. It is a scam. Our real Parish e-mail is above. It goes via the Archdiocese and the rcadc stands for Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff.**

**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

**Tuesday 6.30pm**  
**Wednesday 6.30pm**  
**Thursday 10.00am**  
**Friday 10.00am**

**FREE BIBLES!** : We have been given a quantity of Bibles which are **FREE**. They are on the table at the back of the Church.

**WANTED: ALTAR SERVERS:** We are very keen to increase the numbers of Altar Servers for the Weekend Masses. Fr Valentine will tell you everything you have to do and it's a great opportunity to take a more active role in the Mass. All ages !!!

**NEWSLETTER FROM THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES:** Each week there is a new newsletter.

**FOOD AND TOILETRIES APPEAL :** Our School is setting up a Fair-Priced Food Shop. To help them with this we are appealing for tinned or dried goods and toiletries. These can be left on the table at the back of the Church and will be taken to the School each week.

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

**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) Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain.

**PIETY STALL:** NEW STOCK IN A lovely selection of votive candles (battery operated) and statues. Come and have a look. Also some freebies on the table as you come into Church.

**Please take care if you wish to look in the glass cases. There is a step !**

**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.

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

**PARISH WEBSITE** Each day there is something new to read.

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS:** 9<sup>th</sup> /10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER £ 630.37

### **WEEKLY MESSAGE**

We all find it hard to forgive any wrongs inflicted on us by others. Perhaps the resented incident was deliberate, or it might have been unintentional. But it's sad if people have to go through life harbouring grudges, making themselves miserable because they cannot let bygones be bygones. Sometimes it is really hard to make the first move. But make it we must. It is better to consign to the past those hurts of the past, rather than let them niggle and niggle and let them grow into something huge.

Because we ourselves often feel resentments, we might imagine God as waiting to settle accounts with us some day. Because we can be vindictive, we project vengeance onto God. Our Heavenly Father is not an angry God who wants to judge us harshly, but a merciful God who wants to be close to us, and forgive all our foolishness. God is like the loving, welcoming parent who has lost a child, and cannot rest until the child is safely home.

If by any chance you go to visit someone who has just lost someone very dear to them, mostly there is great sadness, sometimes anger, and sometimes resentment. When the funeral comes, family members might get together not having seen each other for years, perhaps a family dispute or argument or distance has kept them apart.

Forgiveness is fine when we ask for it for ourselves. But what about letting others be forgiven? In today's Gospel we hear how the King generously forgave his servant a massive debt, but that servant instead of being full of gratitude went out and demanded payment in full from someone who owed him money.

God will always be ready to forgive us if we are truly sorry for our wrong doing but we in turn must learn by that example and be ready to share that forgiveness with others. Part of our sorrow for our sins is as it says in the Lord's prayer

***“Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us”***

