

**THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle C
Psalter Week 3
Sunday 30TH OCTOBER 2022
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

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| SAT | 29 TH | OCT | THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 6.30pm | Margaret Salter |
| SUN | 30 TH | OCT | | 10.00am | People of the Parish |
| MON | 31 ST | OCT | | | |
| TUES | 1 ST | NOV | SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION | 10.00am | People of the Parish |
| WED | 2 ND | NOV | COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (HOLY SOULS) | 10.00am | Holy Souls |
| THURS | 3 RD | NOV | ST MARTIN DE PORRES | 10.00am | Sick of the Parish |
| FRI | 4 TH | NOV | | | |
| SAT | 5 TH | NOV | THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 6.30pm | Jimmy Stenson |
| SUN | 6 TH | NOV | | 10.00am | Mr & Mrs Paul, Mary Millar, Paul Sexton |

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 James Curtis, James McCarthy, Margaret Bell, Martin Fitzsimmonds, Brian Williams, Edward Wilson, Phyllis Harris, Dominic Cardinale, Mary O'Sullivan, Anthony Murray, Martha Deans, John Driscoll, Kevin Counsell, Thomas Murphy, Paul Sexton, Frederick Psaila 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 Denis Murray and Amelia Halligan who died recently. May they rest in eternal peace

CANDLES 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 Joyce Maher and Denis Murray**

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.

NOVEMBER ENVELOPES: Envelopes for November the Month of Remembrance are available at the back of the Church. Please put the names of those you wish to be remembered in the envelope and put the envelope in the basket by the Paschal Candle.

DOORS : 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.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Tuesday's at 2.30pm in the Sacristy. Come in through the side porch door, by the garden. We are looking at the Gospel of St Mark.

PIETY STALL: New Christmas stock is in! Boxed Christmas Cards, Church diaries and Calendars.

Our Piety stall is open Before and After but not during Mass. There are lots of devotional aids and gifts and cards.

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

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023 Registration for the Preparation Class for First Holy Communion is now closed. The plan is to have a meeting of Parents who have enrolled their children, in November and parents are reminded to make sure that regular attendance at Mass is a vital part of the preparation. Please make sure that you have your child's form signed at the end of Mass. The date of the meeting is to be arranged. Preparation Classes will begin in the New Year.

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)

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.

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.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: Weekend 16th October -- £681.62 23rd October -- £659.36

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

PARISH WEBSITE 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 and there are links to various Masses on-line. The **OCTOBER** edition of the Catholic People Publication is also available. 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.

MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

I've always said that November is a very Catholic month. A time we remember and pray for those " Whose life is changed not ended". We believe they have gone before us and one day we will be re-united in the Great Banquet of Heaven.

Many people have asked me "What is it like to die? What and where is Heaven? Will we meet Our Lord once again?" Questions I can't answer as I've not died! You may ask 1) Do you believe this? 2) Why do you believe it? I suppose the simple answer is Faith and Trust. Faith and Trust in the words of Jesus

*"I am the Resurrection and the Life. Anyone who believes in Me will have eternal life.
For today you will be with Me in Paradise."*

This week Tuesday is 1st November, and is the Feast of All Saints, followed on 2nd November by the Feast of All Souls. Hopefully you will be able to join me on those days, but if you are unable to come to Mass you can unite yourselves with the Holy Souls in silent prayer.

When I visit the family graves in Neath, I have this urge to physically hold my parents and other family members and friends, but though I can't, I feel I'm at one with them and they with me.

I "walk in the presence of the family of the Lord in the Land of the Living", not in the Land of the Dead, the land of no hope, but the Land of the Living on the other side of the Promised Land



" Guide me O thou Great Redeemer
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with your powerful hand.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Land me safe on Canaan's side."



At most funerals, my Father gets a mention, so I'll mention him again today. When I officiated at his Funeral Mass, as he was a bus conductor, I said " Dad was on an early bus, but I'll be on a later one. The problem being I don't know the timetable." You and I know that one day that bus will arrive. For those who have no Faith it's a Mystery Tour, but for us, it's a journey to the Land of Canaan -- the Promised Land.

I'll let you into a secret: as a land owner of a plot of land in Neath Cemetery, my place of rest is my waiting room, awaiting the return of the Risen Lord at the last day. My Mother and Father are there and I've decided to put only two words on the grave stone

" And Michael" PS. Maybe a little red bus on the bottom.

Rest in Peace everyone, Pray for us as we'll pray for you

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Two old ladies met in the street. After enquiring about each other's health, the topic of conversation turned to their respective husbands. "Oh" said one " George died last week. He went out into the garden to dig up a cabbage for dinner, had a heart attack and dropped dead in the middle of the vegetable patch" "Oh my!" said the other "What did you do?" "I opened a can of peas instead".



Very Poor Timing...