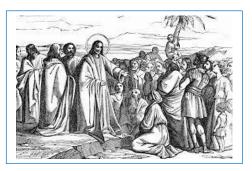
SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Reading Cycle C Psalter Week 3 Sunday 13th FEBRUARY 2022 Chaplains: Llandough-Rev. Peter Davies peter.davies4@ wales.nhs.uk Heath-Rev. David Pritchard david.prichard@wales.nhs.uk



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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SAT	12 TH FE	SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	People of the Parish
SUN	13 TH FE	3	10.00am	Emilio Forte, John and Ann Flynn,
				Natasha Girgova
MON	14 TH FE	3		
TUES	15 TH FE	B Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Elizabeth Maggs
WED	16 TH FE	B Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Marciano Campos Dell'Orto
THURS	17 TH FEB	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Hall Family
FRI	18 TH FEB			
SAT	19 TH FEB	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.30pm	Brigid Johnson
SUN	20 TH FEB		10.00am	Maria Young

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 Winifred Teppett, Amando Ramos, William Green, Winifred Jeffreys, Rosa Lane, Alexander Tanti, Maureen Kelly, Colin Warman, George Collins, Violet Straughan, Norah Cleves, Paul Vella, Winifred Leach, Danilo Famari, Lynette White, Chris Stevens, Zeida Ugarte, Patricia Luxton, Emily Pine, Carol Ann McCarthy, Juan Antonio Laventure, Maria Young, Neil Boyle, Bernard Doolan, Mary Thompson, Emil Coponai, Arthur Straughan, Harold Osmond, Thomas Stevens, Terry O'Reilly, Thomas Thomas and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Ken Evans, Jean Carter and Brian Seignott who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace. Do not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families, particularly those who have no-one to remember them.

<u>CANDLES</u> 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.

This week's candles will be lit for Norman and Alice Light

A paper copy of this newsletter is now available as you leave Church.

<u>14th FEBRUARY!</u> For most people they will wait for the postman on Monday and count the number of cards sent to them for Valentine's Day. I waited last year and I'm still waiting, not one did I receive, what a disappointment, I've never got over it!

Valentine was a Roman martyr of the 2nd Century and died for the Faith on the Flaminian Way north of Rome. Nothing to do with hearts, champagne or love! Since 1835 his relics are claimed by the Carmelite Church in Dublin. The Church celebrates this day with the two brothers Cyril and Methodius, Apostles of Eastern Europe 815-89AD. Came to Rome, died and were buried in the Church of San Clemente, the Irish Dominican Church near the Colosseum. Worth a visit next time you are in Rome.

SCOTLAND v WALES Croeso Welcome to any people coming to Cardiff for the game. Whatever the result, it's only an 80 Minute wait for a cup of tea!!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2022: Thank You to those parents who have already registered their children to join the preparation programme for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion 2022. You should have received an email from me containing more information. If any other parents wish to register their children, registration forms will be available at the Masses this weekend. Thank You. Mary Taylor (on behalf of the Catechetical team).

WEEKDAY MASSES: Numbers for the Weekday Masses have increased, so these Masses will be in the Church. Please dress warmly.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Please let Canon Mike 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

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

<u>MASS INTENTIONS:</u> Please put your request and donation in an envelope and post it through the Presbytery Door and mark the outside of the envelope to show that it is a Mass request.

CONFESSIONS; For those who wish to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), I will be available at the END of each weekend Mass NOT before Mass.

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

PARISH WEBSITE Daily Mass Readings Catholic People: JANUARY EDITION, Caritas: MARCH-APRIL BULLETIN

MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE One place I've never visited is Venice. The grandeur of this once City State, known as "The City of Bridges" has had an attraction for me since my time as a student in Rome. One day I might be seen floating down the Grand Canal on a Gondola passing under the Bridge of Sighs.

There is another bridge, not in Venice or Rome, but in Lourdes, "The Bridge of Tears".

Lourdes for me is the "Village of Tears": a place where tears of both joy and sorrow are shed. On a number of occasions I've stood with people who wished to unburden themselves and have broken down, tears of sorrow running down their faces. We've stood on the bridge, eyes focussed on the Mother of Tears. She like all her children has experienced a broken heart for she knows the feelings of fear, doubt and insecurity. Remember the first person we look for when we are crying... our Mother!

For many years I was that person crying on the Bridge, for I was full of doubt, fear and insecurity. My tears fell into the River Gave and were swept away in the flowing waters. By visiting Mary, Mother of Sorrows, Mother of Doubt, I heard the words she spoke at the Marriage of Cana "Listen to my Son". Then the words of Jesus entered my mind and heart

" Michael, Doubt no longer, but Believe. You are Precious in my eyes"

Last Friday, 11th February was the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Few of us are able to travel to the Village of Tears to visit Mary, but Mary is willing to visit us. She is willing and able, like any mother, to hold us, allowing us to cry tears of fear and regret, and as she did not abandon her Son, she will not abandon us. Mary was there on each step of His journey and she is with us on our journey. The miracle of Lourdes is that tears are transformed from sorrow to joy.

Each of us needs the gentle touch and the reassuring word of Our Lady. We will pray for those who are sick and for those who care for them both at home and in hospital. May we always feel a Mother's love and tenderness.

This picture is of my Mother and me on a visit to Lourdes when I was Chaplain to the Heath Hospital Lourdes Group (HHLG). Over the many years I travelled with them and they became an extended family both to me and 'Mother Mike'





Mary, Mother of Doubt and Brokenness, Mary, Mother of the Sick, Pray for us.

You have another week to think about how the Holy Spirit is at work in your life. Not an easy thing to put into words. Why is it important for you to come to Church? Just a little prompt. All your views are important and there are so many areas for discussion within the Church, we could not possibly cover everything. So if you have a view about the direction and mission of the Church, please, this is your chance, say what you think. You can put your sheets in the brown box at the back of the Church (anonymously). Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire us to write lots!

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us. make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

