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Sunday 17th January 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 17th January 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PEACE DAY

6.15pm (Saturday 16th January 2021)

People of the parish.

8.30am The Holy Souls.

11.30am Ken Stanley RIP.

5pm Intentions of Jean Bacchus.

Ordinary Time before Lent:

Second week in Ordinary Time

Church Unity Octave

Monday 18th January 2021

10am Raffaele Anthony Forte RIP.

PVT The Holy Souls.

Tuesday 19th January 2021

10.00 Christiane Saide RIP.

PVT Rita Giuseppina Fraioli RIP.

Wednesday 20th January 2021

10am Thanksgiving – Felicidade &

Michael Rebello.

PVT Ellis Foundation Mass.

Thursday 21st January 2021

St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr (memorial)

10am Pietro Mobile RIP.

PVT John Joseph Murphy RIP.

Friday 22nd January 2021

10am Kathleen Linehan RIP.

PVT The Holy Souls.

Saturday 23rd January 2021

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10am Rev Cyril Walmsley RIP

(Foundation Mass).

(Confessions after Mass until 11.30am)

Sunday 24th January 2021

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

6.15pm (Saturday 23rd January 2021)

For our Key Workers and all those on the COVID front line.

8.30am People of the parish.

11.30am Nell McDonagh (90th birthday).

5pm Archbishop Philip Tartaglia

(Archbishop of Glasgow) RIP.

Current Mass Schedule

*Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am;

*Confessions: Saturday, after 10am Mass, until approximately 11.30am;

*Sunday Masses:

(Saturday Vigil 6.15pm);

8.30am; 11.30am; 5pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND/OR HOUSEBOUND, INCLUDING:

John Ambler, Jessica Anane, Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaele Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski, Joseph Lunn, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Elenaoir McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Michael Madigan, Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas, Mary Meyern, Sheila Newman, Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, Ronald Smail, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo, Monica Vergara, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is currently closed. Please phone, email or send a message via the Contact Form on our web site. Please wait patiently for a reply. Where possible, please give some idea of the subject matter of your contact, so that it may be directed appropriately, and, to assist us in assuring your privacy, kindly advise if your communication is of a private nature, and where you prefer not to reveal the subject matter.

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Hail, holy Joseph, hail!

Husband of Mary, hail!

Chaste as the lily flower

In Eden's peaceful vale.

Verse 1 of Hymn 377 in our hymn book, written by Fr Frederick William Faber (1814-1863).

RECENTLY DECEASED

Of your charity, please pray for the happy repose of the soul of

Raffaele Anthony Forte,

of Lilian Road, husband of Raffaella Forte and father of Miranda Forte.

Raffaele, who was aged 86,

died peacefully at home,

on Wednesday 13th January 2021,

surrounded by his family.

May God grant him Eternal Rest.

Che Dio gli conceda il riposo eterno.

Our condolences and prayers as a parish go to the family.

MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS

Please remember that you may still arrange for a Mass to be said, even if you cannot come to church. You may make an offering by electronic means, or post your request through the presbytery letter box. You may also use email. Please include your Gift Aid number if you wish to Gift Aid your Mass offering. Please provide your contact details in case of need.

No Mass times or date can be guaranteed. Most people tend to make an offering of £10.00, but this is not compulsory.

STANDING ORDERS & FINANCE

Please set up a Standing order if your financial circumstances allow. Those of you who received full boxes of envelopes will find inside a Standing Order Form. Standing Orders currently assure us of just **£750.00** per week (figure to be revised). Please contact the Parish Office for details of Standing Orders and to enquire about the Gift Aid Scheme.

See also the Home Page of our Web Site.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS

Would all enquirers regarding these Sacraments kindly await further news. Our Catechists worked very hard to complete their programmes in 2020, with Confirmations yet to go ahead. If you are interested in becoming a catechist, (this involves a DBS check) please contact the parish office. All parishes will be dealing with these Sacraments according to their individual resources and capabilities.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

We continue to be able to hold public Masses.

We still need more stewards. You should be over 18, and free from COVID symptoms, either actual or suspected.

Stewards also clean the church between Masses.

Please do not come to the church if you have been told to shield; If you have any symptoms, whether COVID or not, please stay away, to avoid the risk of spreading the virus.

Please respect the stewards and kindly do as they direct you.

Please use a new, previously unused disposable face mask or other face covering, or one which has been cleaned

where it is washable. and ensure that it covers your nose and your mouth. You must have evidence of a valid exemption.

Hand sanitiser is available at the church. Even if you have sanitised your hands before entering, please accept that you may still be asked to use our own hand sanitiser.

When you leave the church, please do not gather outside to socialise and chat, and do not mix with anybody outside of your household or appointed “bubble”.

Always maintain a distance of at least 2 metres from others.

When you approach for Holy Communion, please lower your mask, hold your hands out flat, and allow the Sacred Host to be gently dropped into your hand. Please do not speak, as you will already have said “Amen” prior to Communion. Please consume the Host before you walk

away and leave the church. We must avoid the danger of the Blessed Sacrament falling to the floor and do our best to ensure that respect is shown towards the Body of Christ.

Remember the current phrases:

“HANDS - FACE – SPACE”

Stay at Home; Save Lives; Protect the NHS.

Visits to the presbytery should be by appointment only.

Public health guidelines apply, not the least of which is the wearing of an appropriate face covering.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

FIRST READING

(1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19)

Samuel was lying in the Sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’

He answered, ‘Here I am.’ Then he ran to Eli and said, ‘Here I am, since you called me.’ Eli said, ‘I did not call.

Go back and lie down.’ So, he went and lay down. Once again, the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, ‘Here I am, since you called me.’

He replied, ‘I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.’ Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again, the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to

Eli and said, ‘Here I am, since you called me.’ Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, ‘Go and lie down, and if someone calls, say, “Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.”’

So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ Samuel answered, ‘Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.’

Samuel grew up, and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 39:2, 4, 7-10 response vv 8, 9)

R: Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord,
and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. **R.**

2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust
and victim. Instead, here am I. **R**

3. In the scroll of the book, it stands written that
I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R**

4. Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. **R**

SECOND READING

(1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20)

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord,
and the Lord for the body. God who raised the Lord from
the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members
making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to
the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed
outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own
body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit,
who is in you since you received him from God. You are not
your own property; you have been bought and paid for.
That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(1 Samuel 3:9; John 6:68)

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

(John 1:35-42)

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John
stared hard at him and said, ‘Look, there is the lamb of God.’

Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned
around, saw them following and said, ‘What do you want?’

They answered, ‘Rabbi,’ – which means Teacher –

‘Where do you live?’ ‘Come and see’ he replied;

so, they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him
the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing
what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter.

Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him,

‘We have found the Messiah’ – which means the Christ –
and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said,

‘You are Simon, son of John;

you are to be called Cephas’ – meaning Rock.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.