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Sunday 24th January 2021

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 24th January 2021

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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.

Ordinary Time before Lent:

Third week in Ordinary Time

Monday 25th January 2021 (Feast)

The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

10am Intentions of Joseph Lunn.

PVT Father Andrew Fernandes RIP.

Tuesday 26th January 2021 (Memorial)

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

10.00 Maria Bay Thi Nguyen RIP.

PVT Monsignor Mark Langham RIP.

Wednesday 27th January 2021 (feria)

10am Father Kevin O'Hanlon RIP.

PVT Dominic Cu Van Tran RIP.

Thursday 28th January 2021 (Memorial)

St Thomas Aquinas,

Priest and Doctor of the Church

10am Deceased members of the

Rebello and Lawrence families.

PVT Recovery of Father Paul Sanders.

Friday 29th January 2021 (feria)

10am UCM Intention.

PVT Tracey Pelling RIP.

Saturday 30th January 2021

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10am Canon Francis Moran RIP.

(Confessions after Mass until 11.30am)

Sunday 31st January 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

6.15pm (Saturday 30th January 2021)

Father Mike Gwinnell RIP.

8.30am People of the parish.

11.30am Peter & Bill Chapman RIP.

5pm Canon Frank O'Sullivan RIP.

Current Public Mass Schedule

***Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am;**

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

***Sunday Masses: (Saturday 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, Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski, Joseph Lunn, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Elenaor 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.

RECENT LOCKDOWN

Following a report from a parishioner testing positive for COVID, we shut down for a few days. Another parishioner most generously paid for us to have a deep clean of the church, enabling us to open again sooner than planned. Please note that it was the Track and Trace cards which you fill in when you attend Mass that enabled all those affected to be contacted quickly. If you get symptoms, and you have attended Mass anywhere, please mention the church, so that contact may be made as quickly as possible.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

As we continue to hold public Masses. **We still need more stewards.**

To become a steward, 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, you may still be asked to use our own hand sanitiser.

Always keep at least 2 metres from others. Please follow instructions regarding the reception of Holy Communion or a blessing, and subsequently leaving the church.

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".

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 a face covering.

MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS

You may still request Masses, even if you cannot come to church. Just contact us to arrange. Most people tend to offer £10.00, but this is not compulsory. When making an offering, please include your Gift Aid number if applicable. Please provide your contact details in case of need. No Mass times or dates can be guaranteed, particularly during COVID. Envelopes are available at the church.

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.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(Cf Psalm 95:1, 6)

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son, we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

(Jonah 3:1-5, 10)

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 24:4-9 response v4)

R: Lord, make me know your ways.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. **R.**

2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
In your love, remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

SECOND READING

(1 Corinthians 7:29-31)

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it.

I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Mark 1:15)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is close at hand;
believe the Good News.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

(Mark 1:14-20)

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee.

There he proclaimed the Good News from God.

'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray,
and in sanctifying them,
grant that they may profit us for salvation.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(Cf Psalm 33:6)

**Look towards the Lord and be radiant;
let your face not be abashed.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that,
receiving the grace by which
you bring us to new life,
we may always glory in your gift.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**