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Sunday 16th January 2022

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(YEAR C)

Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 16th January 2022

SECOND SUNDAY IN OT (Yr C)

6.15pm (Saturday 15th January 2022)

People of the parish

8.30am Deceased members

of the Menezes family

10am Lino & Grace D'Mello RIP

11.30am Cyril & Bemvida Fernandes RIP
(Plainchant Choir singing at this Mass)

5pm Anna Galea RIP

Second Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 17th January 2022 (Mem)

St Anthony, Abbot

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Intentions of Sister

St Thomas More MC

Tuesday 18th January 2022

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Intentions of Mrs Patricia Luddy

Wednesday 19th January 2022 (Feria)

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Thanksgiving – Veronica and

Michael P. Fitzpatrick

Thursday 20th January 2022 (Feria)

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Kathleen Linehan RIP

Friday 21st January 2022 (Mem)

St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

7.30am Joseph John Murphy RIP

10am Pietro Mobile RIP

12.30pm Requiem for Frances Carter

Saturday 22nd January 2022

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10am Maria Mendonca RIP

Sunday 23rd January 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN OT (Yr C)

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

6.15pm (Saturday 22nd January 2022)

People of the parish

8.30am Rev Cyril Walmsley RIP

(Foundation Mass)

10am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP

11.30am Bruce Davidson RIP

5pm Frances Carter RIP

MASS SCHEDULE

*Mass: Monday to Friday 7.30am.

Monday – Saturday: 10am.

*Confession: Saturday, after 10am Mass,
until approx 11.30am.

*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm.

CURRENT COVID INFORMATION

Track & Trace Forms apply Sundays,
Saturday evenings, Holidays & funerals.

Our sincere thanks to all our stewards.

Sunday obligation remains suspended.

Please follow stewards' instructions.

If you feel ill, please stay away.

Remember to sanitise your hands.

Remember to wear a mask correctly.

Please don't gather outside the church.

Observe social distancing of 1 metre.

Please refrain from kissing statues.

Please help stop the spread of COVID.

Please inform us if you test positive.

"HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR"

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

John Ambler, Jessica Anane,

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah,

Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,

Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese,

Erna Breese, Philip Chapman,

Rosemary Clark, Jean Cowie,

Reeda D'Souza, Audrey Draude,

Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaella Forte,

Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd,

Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris,

Agnes Healy, Terry Jupp,

Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski,

Philomena Lopez, James McDonald,

Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin,

Margaret McSharry, Ajitha Mahatantila,

Mary Meyern, Mary O'Sullivan,

Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price,

Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose,

Dorothy Sammut, Alice Scott,

Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy,

Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor,

Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo,

Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu,

Mary White, Ethelda Williams,

Carole Winch, John Windsor,

Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell,

Georgette Yoo Foo.

SVP THANKS

The retiring collection taken at the Christmas Carol Service came to £112.00. Thanks to all who attended that event and gave so generously. Our thanks to the reader, and to the Polyphony choir for their beautiful singing

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the following:

Frances Theresa Carter, of Forrest Gardens, who died on Monday 27th

December 2021. Frances was a long serving member of the Polyphony Choir, the UCM, and the HCPT.

Her Requiem Mass will be held here on Friday 21st January 2022 at 12.30pm.

Pamela Kay, sister-in-law of Chris Patterson. Pamela died on

Monday 20th December 2021.

Anna Erbe, niece of Amelia Mobile.

Anna died suddenly last week in Italy.

Mary Gallagher, cousin of Eileen Doyle.

Mary died earlier this month.

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

GIFT AID & FINANCE

If you are a tax payer, please consider joining the Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your offering at no extra cost to you!

You may download a Standing Order form here: <https://bit.ly/3ExB8aM>

GIFT AID YEAR END LETTERS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2020-2021:

These should be available shortly for those requesting them. Please note that, due to quarantining of collections, some cheques have become out of date, thus your letter may not give the full amount. COVID has presented many challenges, with people paying money into incorrect accounts online in particular, including Mass Intentions. Counting has been affected by the COVID situation, as has the entry of payment details into the Gift Aid computer system. You are advised to keep a full record of your payments in case of query. It is better that we underclaim rather than overclaim.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Father Deo and Father Augustine would like to thank you all for your most generous Christmas Offerings, which you made despite the circumstances prevailing due to COVID.

May the Lord bless you all abundantly.

SYNOD 2021 – 2023

The Synod began last year and is now in its listening phase. You are invited to take part in a process of discernment in the coming weeks. You will have 3 opportunities to listen and to offer your own thoughts. Of the three sessions, two will take place in the hall, whilst one will be held online. Our Parish Delegates, who will introduce themselves to you this weekend, invite you to register online to confirm your attendance, using the following link:

<https://forms.gle/TA6thnqsJ5WBHcMN6>

If you do not have access to a computer, please contact the parish office for information. Please take a copy of the Synod Q & A booklet, along with a copy of a letter of invitation from Fr Deo.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

FIRST READING (Isaiah 62:1-5)

About Zion, I will not be silent; about Jerusalem, I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations, then, will see your integrity, all the kings, your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight', and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you, and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 95:1-3, 7-10 resp v 3)

**R: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord
among all the peoples.**

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **R.**
2. Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. **R.**
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. **R.**
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the people in fairness. **R.**

SECOND READING (1 Corinthians 12:4-11)

There is a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching, with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the

same Spirit; and another, the gift of faith, given by the same spirit; another, again, the gift of healing, through the one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophesy; another, the gift of recognising spirits; another, the gift of tongues and another, the ability to interpret them.

All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (cf John 6:63, 68)

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL (John 2:1-11)

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jugs standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.'

They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink: but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

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

ST BART'S CALENDAR 2022

Thanks to all of you who purchased one of our beautiful calendars. We raised £511.00 for St Bartholomew's. Our apologies to all those who were unable to get one this year.

ST BART'S DIARY 2022

Please pick up your free diary from our stewards. You are invited to make an offering of your choice.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Catechists are desperately needed in order to deliver the 2022 programme. Please contact any of the priests if you may be able to help. Or please email Teresa Furtado: trizfurtado@gmail.com

MISSIO

Would all boxholders please note that our promoters will be emptying boxes during the remainder of this month of January. Thankyou for your continued support.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

The office opens on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays only between 10.30am and 3.30pm. Your patience in awaiting a response would be much appreciated.

Please wear a face mask if you call at the front door.