

# St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(YEAR C)

## Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN OT (Yr C)

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

6.15pm (Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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

## Third Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (Mem)

St Francis de Sales,

Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7.30am Rev Cyril Walmsley RIP

(Foundation Mass)

10am Anna Erbe RIP

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (Feast)

The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

7.30am Rev Andrew Fernandes RIP

10am Maria Mendonca RIP

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (Mem)

Sts Timothy & Titus, Bishops

7.30am Canon Francis Moran RIP

10am Thanksgiving – Audwyn Correia

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (Feria)

7.30am Rev Kevin O'Hanlon RIP

10am Neil Shaughnessy RIP

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (Mem)

St Thomas Aquinas,

Priest & Doctor of the Church

7.30am Rev Paul Sanders RIP

10am Heather Walsh RIP

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The Blessed Virgin Mary

10am Ted Zammit &

Christine Marchant RIP

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY IN OT (Yr C)

6.15pm (Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2022)

Ana Fernandes RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am Edna Graham RIP

11.30am Claudine Auger RIP

5pm Sheila Curry 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.

## CONFIRMATION

Please pray for our Confirmandi who received the Holy Spirit in this special Sacrament of the Church this Saturday.

May they go forth fearlessly proclaiming and living the Gospel in their lives.

Our grateful thanks to our Catechists for preparing all our candidates.

## GIFT AID YEAR END LETTERS

FOR THE TAX YEAR 2020-2021:

Please contact the Parish Office if you require a year end letter. 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, too, 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.

## 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>

## SYNOD 2021 – 2023

You are invited by Fr Deo and our Parish Delegates to take part in a process of

discernment, with 3 opportunities to listen and to offer your own thoughts. Please

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, which has been issued today.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Please await further information.

Catechists are desperately needed in order to deliver the 2022 programme. Please

contact any of the priests if you may be able to help. Otherwise, please email

Teresa Furtado: [trizfurtado@gmail.com](mailto:trizfurtado@gmail.com)

## MISSIO

A reminder to promoters that it is now time to empty the red boxes. Please will boxholders have their boxes to hand.

## **READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY**

### **FIRST READING** (Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10)

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he

read from the book from early morning till noon: all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, ‘Amen! Amen!’;

then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people. ‘This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.’ For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, ‘Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.’

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

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

(Psalm 18:8-10, 15, response John 6:63)

**R: Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.**

1. The law of the Lord is perfect; it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**
2. The precepts of the Lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes. **R.**
3. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just. **R.**
4. May the spoken words of my mouth,  
the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight,  
O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! **R.**

### **SECOND READING** (1 Corinthians 12:12-30)

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit, we were all baptised. Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, ‘I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body’, would that mean that it was not a part of the body? If the ear were to say, ‘I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body’, would that mean that it was not a part of the body? If your whole body was just

one eye, how would you hear anything?

If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything?

Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body?

As it is, the parts are many but the body is one.

The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I do not need you,’ nor can the head say to the feet, ‘I do not need you.’

What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part might be equally concerned for all the others.

If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it.

If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it.

Now you together are Christ’s body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

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

### **GOSPEL** (Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21)

Seeing that many other have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who, from the outset, were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I, in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, he found the place where it is written:

The Spirit of the Lord as been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind, new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord’s year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, ‘This text is being fulfilled today, even as you listen.’

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