THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Reading Cycle A Sunday 12th JANUARY 2020



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SUNDAY MASSES

SATURDAY	11th JANUARY	THE BAPTISM OF	6.30pm	Nora Harrington +
SUNDAY	12th JANUARY	THE LORD	10am	Priest's Intentions

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY	13th JANUARY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1	10am	Holy Souls
TUESDAY	14th JANUARY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1	10am	Paul Mallia & Anthony Gauci
WEDNESDAY	15 th JANUARY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1	10am	Holy Souls
THURSDAY	16th JANUARY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1	9am	Joseph & Frances Mizzi
FRIDAY	17 th JANUARY	Mm: ST. ANTHONY, Abbot	10am	Antonio & Angelina &
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SUNDAY MASSES

SATURDAY	18th JANUARY	2 nd SUNDAY OF	6.30pm	Con Callaghan +
SUNDAY	19th JANUARY	ORDINARY TIME	10am	Priest's Intentions

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 and that they may receive every grace and blessing. To all our parishioners who are indisposed you are sorely missed.

We pray for Brenda Lago, Eileen Union and Johanna Daly and Olwen Hall whose anniversaries occur at this time.

We pray for the Repose of the Souls of Rosa Fulgoni, Joseph O'Leary and Eleanor Williams who have died recently. May they Rest in Eternal Peace +

<u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</u> A meeting for the parents who signed up for their children's First Holy Communion will be held in the Church on Tuesday 14th January at 6pm.

BAPTISM Sadly the vast majority of people who have had their child Baptized have failed in bringing up the child in the practice of the Faith. It's more than standing there on a Sunday morning responding to the question "Do you fully understand the commitment you are making on behalf of the child?" Will you bring the child up in the practice of the Faith? Will you continue to deepen your understanding of Jesus in the Church and Parish community?

For some they have no intention of bringing the child up in the practice of the Faith, than the children are not brought to Mass and so the Parish collapses. Baptism is starting a journey of Faith. If the parents have lost Faith how can they hand on something they don't possess. First they must replenish, refill themselves in Faith in order to "Feed their child"

So please if you intend to have your child Baptized don't perjure yourself, don't tell a fib, be truthful. So until you are willing to make that commitment not to the school but to the Church of God, there will be a period of deliberation and reflection over a period of months. This is the thinking of the Church, and I hope those who read this will understand that your child can enter along with it's parents into a loving relationship with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

<u>SCHOOL MASS</u> The school has asked that we change the day from a Wednesday to a Thursday. Whenever Mass is celebrated in St. Patrick's. The next class Mass is on Thursday 28th January followed by 11th February.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS If you are looking to book a wedding date for 2020/2021 please would you contact Canon Mike Evans so that details can be confirmed. If you need to book a Baptism please see Canon Mike in person as it cannot be arranged over the telephone.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Please let your parish priest 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

SICK & HOUSEBOUND Again we appeal to those people who are housebound and wish to receive Holy Communion or a visit from the SVP to inform the Priest either directly via phone or a family member or if you are attending Mass could you inform me or the SVP. Please remember in order to help you; you must help by informing us of your need for Holy Communion.

READERS

SATURDAY 18 th JANUARY	1 st READING & 2 nd READING BIDDING PRAYERS	S. Udry K. Lewis
SUNDAY	1st READING	C. Pinto
19th JANUARY	2 nd READING	E. Deane
	BIDDING PRAYERS	S. Das

<u>CHURCH CLEANING ROTA</u> Friday 17th January ~ A. Williams and P. Smith Vacuum Cleaning, Paths and Church Surround ~ B. Seignott Brass Cleaning ~ P. McCarthy Altar and Votive Candles, Church and Garden Maintenance: K. Johnson and Family

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS: 4th & 5th January ~ £678.21

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POPE FRANCIS' LITTLE BOOK OF COMPASSION

Continue to overcome apathy, offering a Christian response to the social and political anxieties, which are arising in various parts of the world. I ask you to be builders of the world, to work for a better world. Dear young people, please don't be observers of life, but get involved. Jesus did not remain an observer, but He immersed Himself. Don't be observers, but immerse yourself in the reality of life, as Jesus did.

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A worker was given the job of painting white lines down the middle of the highway. On his first day, he painted six miles; on his second day he did three miles; and on his third day, he painted less than a mile.

The foreman was not pleased. "How come you're doing less each day? "he demanded.

"Because.." said the worker indignantly, "each day I keep getting further away from the can of paint!"

Boss: If you could have a conversation with someone ,living or dead, who would it be?

Applicant: The living one

A situations vacant ad called for an experienced lumberjack and at the job interview the applicant was asked to describe his experience.

"I've worked in the Sahara Forest" he said. The personnel manager looked puzzled. "You mean the Sahara Desert?"

" Sure, that's what they call it now!"

