# **NEWS AND VIEWS**

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund Collection is this weekend.

The second collection this weekend will be for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. By supporting the sick & Rethem peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. This is our chance to say thank you to our sick and retired priests who have given so much. You will find a donation envelope at the back of the church today. Please take one home, and put in your donation. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donationsthe envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

Health and Safety: As we continue to keep safe and well in this Covid era, please put on your mask while in church, also sanitize on your way in and out of church. Keep your social distance, but most importantly stay at home if you feel unwell, we will keep you in our prayers. If you have to receive communion by tongue, please endeavour to be the last per-

First Holy Communion 2021/2022 diary dates: Nov. 14th, 28th, Dec. 5th, 19th, Jan. 9th at 10.15am. Please enter through the parish car park.

Parish Safeguarding Team: Are working hard to ensure that you. all who work with minors and the vulnerable in our Parish including those who visit the sick and the housebound are DBS-checked. The process is ongoing. Please keep them in your prayers.

Calling On All Young-Adult Catholics If you are between the ages of 18-45 or a little more, join us every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the St Gabriel's meeting room. There will be tired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give the chance to meet other young Catholics, pray together and grow in our faith. There will be refreshments available. If you would like to know more, contact John and his wife Alessandra Knight on john.knight@rcm.ac.uk or on 07512781274.

> Home tutoring: Michael Kelly is available for home tuition services to parishioners. He has worked with primary school age children for 33 years, and has experience with children who have English as an additional language. He has a Masters degree in Education and Creative Writing. He can also prepare children for the 11 plus exam. Michael can work from his home in N19 or travel. Contact details at the Parish office.

Food Donations: Thank you to those who have responded already. We are still taking in food items for our friends at the door, such as biscuits, soups, fizzy drinks, tea & coffee, sardines, pot noodles and any food on the go. We will appreciate this donations. Thank you and God bless.

Contactless Giving: The card/contactless giving is available to help make our offertory collection safer. It will not replace the other means of giving but is considered a safer alternative. Please find the unit by the left as you exit the Church. Thank

Christian Stewardship: (31st October 2021)

Envelopes: £230.10. Loose: £309.75. We also receive £500weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.

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BEWARE **SCRIBES SYNAGOGUES** MARKET **BANQUETS** LONG SEVERE **PRAYERS POOR** TREASURY WIDOW PENNY



We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



A preacher trained his horse to go when he said, "Praise the Lord," and to stop when he said, "Amen." The preacher mounted the horse, said, "Praise the Lord" and went for a ride. When he wanted to stop for lunch, he said, "Amen." He took off again, saying, "Praise the Lord." The horse started going toward the edge of a cliff. The preacher got excited and said, "Whoa!" Then he remembered and said, "Amen," and the horse stopped at the edge of the cliff. The preacher was so relieved and grateful that he looked up to heaven and said, "Praise the Lord!"



**Spiritans** 

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## + 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 7th November 2021



We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

## REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

The church encourages us this Sunday to learn and appreciate the virtues of generosity and hospitality. She reminds us that, as Christ generously offered himself for our salvation, we too must be generous to others. One theme common to all the readings of this Sunday is: generosity, and trust in Divine Providence. This theme of generosity and trusting in Divine Providence permeates the major cause of Faith in both the gospel reading and the first reading. Trusting in Divine Providence for her survival, the widow offered everything she had. She offered generously because, she knew and trusted the God she served. By placing her entire trust and future in God's hands, she conquered her fear of the future, and the instinct of selfpreservation. There are many things we can learn from today's readings. First, all the figures in our readings were generous. Second, they all trusted in Divine Providence. They teach, or remind us of these simple principles of generosity and prosperity that: "Givers, never lack", and "Blessed is the hand that gives, and the hand that receives." In life, moments of scarcity are moments of tests. They are moments to trust in Divine Providence. They are moments of great blessings. So, Tobit advises us that: "It is better to give alms than to treasure up gold.... Those who perform acts of charity and righteousness (generosity) will have fullness of life" (12, 8-9). Finally, as our great provider, "God is ready to supply all our needs according to his riches in glory, through Christ" (Phil 4, 19). He knows our needs and how to meet them. All we need to do is to trust in his Divine Providence. So, let us ask Christ to grant us a very generous heart, so that we can sow generously because: "God loves a cheerful, [and a generous] giver" (2 Cor 9:7).

**Mass Times & Intentions** 

7th - 13th November 2021

Sat 6th Vigil Mass 6:30pm: Alan Mullee, Giuseppe Zanre (RIP), Mullee family (INT)

Sun 7th 9:00am: Anthony Maguire (Birthday Memorial) (RIP), Andrew, Julia & Lily, Betty, Michael & Niece, Ann & Chris Nevin (INT)

11:30am: James Wilson, Mamie Niecey, Joseph Screene, Alan Mullee, Mary Gallagher (RIP), P.J Heavin (6th)(ANN), Eddie & Marion Gallagher, Mullee family, Parish Office, Priests, Sullivan family, Edward, Anila & family, Liz & family (INT)

6:30pm: Mossie Fitzgerald (INT)

Mon 8th 12 noon: Giuseppe Zanre (RIP), Mary Stephens, Martin Carley, Barbara Carolan (INT)

Tues 9th The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 12 noon: Beatrice Lewis (ANN), Beryl Tamsett, Carol Belsten, Anoja Fernando (INT)

Wed 10th St. Leo the Great 12 noon: Lorna Kell (ANN), Alan & Felicity Harrison, Mary Dunne (INT) Thur 11th 12 noon: St. Martin of Tours 12 noon: Graham Cox (ANN), John & Lucie Thompson, Nellie Gaffney, Special Birthday (INT)

Fri 12th St. Josaphat 12 noon: John Greaney, P.J Heavin (6th) (ANN)

Sat 13th 12 noon: People of the Parish



Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnelly, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Fr. Aodh, Maureer Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat.11am, 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays (New time) 12noon Legion of Mary: First Wed. 6.30pm Monday Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

# **TODAY'S READINGS**

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. 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 1King 17:10-16

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent; jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth." The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 145)**

## R My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he, who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.** 

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.** 

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,

Zion's God, from age to age.

R.

#### **SECOND READING Hebrews 9:24-28**

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL Mark 12:38-44**

In his teaching Jesus said, Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.' He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Mass

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Readers Stewards

Sat. 6.30pm Bridget O'Dea Joan Fitzgerald/Bernie Shevlin/Jeanette Fayers
Sun. 9.00am Ann Waldron Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Sun. 11.30am Mark Renner Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Sun. 6.30pm Tarcey Mullett Joseph Ogbonna

# The Prayer Of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

#### THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise You, We bless You, We adore you, We glorify You,

We give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

#### **Key Notes:**

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- Minors MUST not go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST** be at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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