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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time– 20th February 2022

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT.

“ Renew Your wonders in this our day, as by a New Pentecost. Grant to Your Church that, being of one mind and steadfast in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and following the lead of blessed Peter, it may advance the reign of our Divine Saviour, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. Come Holy Spirit, in Your power and might to renew the face of the earth”. (Pope St.John XXIII).

“Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial height, Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, Thou Father of the poor, come with treasures that endure, Come Thou Light of all that live. Light Immortal, Light Divine, Visit Thou this soul of mine, Wash the stain of guilt away. Bend the stubborn heart and will, Melt the frozen, warm the chill, Guide the steps that go astray” Come, Holy Spirit!

Mass Intentions this Sunday (20th February) **Saturday** – 4-00 p.m. (St.John Kemble) Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. (St.Joseph’s) Elwyn Davies & Patricia Moule (RIP) (Margaret Gladwin); **Sunday** 8-00 a.m. Sr.Carmel (RIP) (Donie, Pat & Family); 10-30a.m. Paddy Clifford (RIP) (The Family).

Weekday Mass Intentions: Tuesday (22nd February) 6-30 p.m. Maureen Pitt (RIP) (Anna & Maria); Wednesday (23rd February) 9-30 a.m. William Hardie (RIP) (Doug & Karen); 11-00 a.m. Anita O’Donnell (RIP) (Owen). Thursday (24th) 9-30 a.m. Kevin Halloran (RIP) (Yolanda & Nantlais);.Friday (18th); Alan Boland (RIP) (John & Linda Slattery).

Mass Intentions next Sunday: (27th February) **Saturday** (St.John Kemble) 4-00p.m. Parish & People; (St. Joseph’s) 6-00p.m. Kevin Halloran (RIP) (Gaynor and David); **Sunday** 8-00a.m. Sr. Carmel (RIP) (Deacon Jim & Marie); 10-30a.m. Gerard Hardie (RIP) (Doug & Karen).

First Holy Communion this Saturday at the 6-00 p.m. Vigil Mass for Bodie and Efan Lewis, and Lucy and Joseph Owen. Please remember them in your prayers.

The Sacrament of Confirmation Please remember in your prayers those preparing for Confirmation – Zaira and Joshua Zambrano, Carys Smitham, Tommy Parel, Isabella and Maria Grabczewski, Oisín and Cian Fitchett, Eve Abell, Daniel Rowlands, Mia Faure, Joseph Payne, Wiliam Heslop, Callum Lavin, Martin and Marya Joseph and Bethany Clifford, Sophie Wheatley. Note for the diary! - Archbishop George Stack will visit us on **Friday 29th April** (7-00 p.m.) to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Confirmation Group will resume on **THIS SUNDAY 20th February** after the 10-30 A.M. Mass. Attendance at Mass continues to be an essential part of the preparation process.

N.B (!) This evening (20th) at 10-02 p.m. on 20/02 in 2022 it will be 220220022022 (read the same backwards or forwards using only two numbers). Question: **When** was the last time this was possible and when will it happen next? (cf. 11-11a.m on 11th November in 1111 A.D. !!)

Anniversaries: Of your charity, remember in prayer those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Howell Gwynn (2016); Roland Webb (2020); David Palfrey (2018); Margaret Bevan (2006); Stanley May (2008); Lilian Foundy (2000); *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Please Note (Mass Intentions). **Saturday and Sunday Masses** are already reserved for a particular intention until the **MIDDLE OF JUNE** (and **Weekday Masses** until the **Middle of April**).Please think several months ahead if you would like to reserve a particular date (or nearest date). Thank you.

Candles The Sacred Heart – Peter Healey (RIP); Our Lady - Special Intention (Annette); St. Joseph – Christopher Davies (Well Being).

Readers: This Sunday (20th February) 6-00 p.m. Nora Reynolds; 8-00 a.m. Gregory Page; 10-30 a.m. Des Nicholas. **Next Sunday** (27th February 6-00 p.m. Sian Loynes; 8-00 a.m. Adrian & Paula Macpherson-Jones; 10-30 a.m. Babs Hunt.

Holy Baptism Please remember in your prayers Aliyah McIntyre who will be baptised here in St. Joseph's next Saturday morning.

Last Sunday's Collection: St.Joseph's - £332-54 (plus Direct Debits); St.John Kemble – £20-00. Many thanks. **Second Collection this weekend** (20th), The Missio Annual Overseas Mission Appeal, this year in support of the Society of African Missions.

St. David's Day (Shrove Tuesday) – **Welsh Cakes & Tea** (and Bingo) after the 6-30 p.m. **St. David's Day Mass** in the Parish Hall. Admission - £2-50.

Refreshments after the 10-30 a.m. Mass We are very grateful to the volunteers who prepare refreshments in the Parish Hall after the Sunday Mass – currently three groups (S.J.P.G; S.V.P.; Tanzania Ambulance Appeal). We would be grateful for a fourth group to serve tea & coffee (for parish funds).

The Sick and Housebound Please continue to remember in your prayers all those who are sick and housebound, those in hospital and in our local care homes. Especially at this time, Peggy Swan (Glynneath), Jane Boland, George Johnson, Nancy Morris, Cheryl Ford, Andrew Jenkins, Jason Saunders, Stephen Saunders, Yolanda Jones, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna O'Brien, Betty Hopkins, Rose Williams, Donie O'Connell, Margaret Jeffrey, Dennis Taylor, Marion Brocksopp, Peter Thomas. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

REVISION OF COVID REGULATIONS

It can be difficult keeping up to date with the various changes to the Covid Regulations but it is now possible to significantly modify the restrictions that we have been under for the last two years. However I believe that we should continue to proceed cautiously since there remains the very real possibility that at some time in the days ahead we may have to return once again to tighter restrictions.

The pews will continue to be roped off and the arrows/floor markings remain in place but there is no longer the requirement to observe social distancing (thus up to eight people can sit in each open pew) and both the main door and the side door may be used to enter/exit the Church with no need to observe the floor arrows. There is no longer any requirement for the pews to be sanitised after each Mass and the sanitising of hands is now optional (though recommended). **MASKS must continue to be worn** – unless medically exempt and the windows left open for ventilation.

The Prayer Kneeler If you wish, you may kneel to receive Holy Communion – on the tongue or in the hand.

For the time being the Holy Water stoops will remain covered and please continue to place your Offertory Collection in the Box provided. We shall continue to print hymn sheets and the Sunday 8-00 a.m. Mass will continue until Easter Day. All being well and by God's Grace, if the situation continues to improve, these last remaining restrictions will all be lifted on Easter Day.

ANIMA CHRISTI *Soul of Christ, sanctify me, Body of Christ save me, Blood of Christ inebriate me, Water from the Side of Christ wash me. Passion of Christ strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee. From the malicious enemy defend me. In the hour of death call me, And bid me come to Thee, That with the Saints I may praise Thee, Now and forever. Amen.*

PRAYER AFTER MASS St.Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

ENTRANCE

HOLY COMMUNION

- 1 Father, I place into your hands
the things I cannot do.
Father, I place into your hands
the things that I've been through.
Father, I place into your hands
the way that I should go,
for I know I always can trust you.
- 2 Father, I place into your hands
my friends and family.
Father, I place into your hands
the things that trouble me.
Father, I place into your hands
the person I would be,
for I know I always can trust you.
- 3 Father, we love to see your face,
we love to hear your voice.
Father, we love to sing your praise
and in your name rejoice.
Father, we love to walk with you
and in your presence rest,
for we know we always can trust you.
- 4 Father, I want to be with you
and do the things you do.
Father, I want to speak the words
that you are speaking too.
Father, I want to love the ones
that you will draw to you,
for I know that I am one with you.

OFFERTORY

*Take our bread, we ask you,
take our hearts, we love you,
take our lives, oh Father,
we are yours, we are yours.*

- 1 Yours as we stand at the table you set,
yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't
forget.
We are the signs of your life with us yet;
we are yours, we are yours.
- 2 Your holy people stand washed in your
blood,
Spirit filled, yet hungry, we await your
food.
Poor though we are, we have brought
ourselves to you:
we are yours, we are yours.

NOVENA to the HOLY SPIRIT

Renew your wonders
in this our day
as by a new Pentecost.

Pope John XXIII

God the Holy Spirit
Comforter and Sanctifier.
Melt our hearts
That we may accept your love.
Renew our minds
That we may know your truth.
Strengthen our wills
That we may serve you faithfully.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen

- 1 Lord, Jesus Christ,
you have come to us
you are one with us, Mary's son.
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring your love and goodness in,
Jesus our love for you we sing,
living Lord.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ,
now and ev'ry day
teach us how to pray, Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance, Lord, of you
into our lives your pow'r breaks through,
living Lord.
- 3 Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
born as one of us, Mary's Son,
Led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus, help us see
you are Lord.
- 4 Lord Jesus Christ,
I would come to you,
live my life for you, Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your pow'r breaks through,
living Lord.



All of creation rejoices in thee, O Full of Grace, the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a child; our God before the ages. He made thy body into a throne, and thy womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in thee, O Full of Grace. Glory to thee!

RECESSIONAL

- 1 Holy Virgin, by God's decree,
you were called eternally;
that he could give his Son to our race.
Mary, we praise you, hail full of grace.
Ave, ave, ave, Maria.
- 2 By your faith and loving accord,
as the handmaid of the Lord,
you undertook God's plan to embrace.
Mary, we thank you, hail full of grace.
- 3 Joy to God you gave and expressed,
of all women none so blessed,
when in mankind your Son took his place,
Mary, we love you, hail full of grace.
- 4 Refuge for your children so weak,
sure protection all can seek.
Problems of life you help us to face.
Mary, we trust you, hail full of grace.
- 5 To our needy world of today
love and beauty you portray,
showing the path to Christ we must trace.
Mary, our mother, hail, full of grace.

CONSECRATION OF THE PARISH TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Prostrate before your Sacrament of love, O Jesus, we adore, praise and love your most Sacred Heart, substantially united to the Word of God. We bless and give thanks to your Heart, from whose fullness we have received all that is good.

O Heart of the Son of God, Heart worthy of adoration, Heart wounded by our sins, to you we want to consecrate ourselves and our parish community.

In particular we consecrate to you the families of our parish, so that they may become true domestic churches, of which you are the center and the source of unity.

We consecrate our children and our youth to you, so that they may not stray away from you, but rather grow in faith and Christian virtue.

To you we consecrate the sick, so that they may neither become discouraged nor lose hope, but know how to offer their suffering as a sacrifice of expiation and salvation for themselves and for all souls.

To you we consecrate the elderly and those who are lonely, so that they may find relief and comfort in your love and open their hearts to the joyful hope which awaits them.

To you we consecrate our associations, groups and all our activities, so that they may blossom and bear fruits of Christian witness.

For our part, we promise you to do all we can to render our heart similar to yours, in purity and in love, raising ourselves above earthly matters.

Pour out your blessing upon us, O Lord, so that we may have light in moments of doubt, perseverance in trials and comfort at the moment of our death.

Amen.