

## TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY – 24th AUGUST 2025

“ 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 ).

**Mass Intentions this Sunday** ( 24<sup>th</sup> August ) Saturday ( St. John Kemble ) 4-00 p.m. Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. ( St.Joseph's ) Patricia Thompson (RIP) ( The family );10-30 a.m. The Veale Family ( RIP ) ( Martin & Nuala ).

**Weekday Mass** Wednesday ( 27<sup>th</sup> ) (St. Joseph's) 9-30 a.m. Ira and Peter Thomas (RIP) ( The family ); 11-00 a.m. ( St. John Kemble ) Fred Hipsley ( Sp. Int. ) ( Bella & Reg ); Thursday (28th) Reynolds (RIP) ( Sheila Morgan ).

**Mass Intentions next Sunday** ( 31st August ) Saturday ( St. John Kemble ) 4-00 p.m. Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. ( St. Joseph's ) Sid Leaker (RIP) ( Paula & Adrian ); 10-30 a.m. Joyce Williams (RIP) ( Joan & family ).

**Mass Intentions** Please note Mass Intentions are now reserved into the **middle of November** ( weekdays and weekends ) Please think several months ahead if you would like a Mass said for a loved one. At present, it takes about twelve weeks for a reserved Mass to be celebrated.

**Readers: This Sunday** ( 24<sup>th</sup> ) 6-00 p.m. Sian Loynes; 10-30 a.m. Des Nicholas. Next Sunday ( 31<sup>st</sup> ) 6-00 p.m. Maureen McAteer; 10-30 a.m. Bernadette Payne.

**Readers** Please come early so that you have the opportunity before Mass to look at the readings beforehand. If you are unable to keep your place on the rota please arrange for someone to take your place (!!).

**Anniversaries** Ieuan Evans ( 2024 ); Owen Davies (2008); Giovanni D'Angeli (2011); Sheelah Kinsey (2014); Julian Bester (2011); Doreen O'Brien ( 2016); Aileen Lester ( 2008); Michael Lewis ( 2009 ); *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

**Candles:** Sacred Heart - Mary Didio ( Sp.Int.); Our Lady – Carole Williams ( RIP); St. Joseph – The Middle East, Ukraine & Sudan.

**Congratulations** to all those receiving exam results at this time. Remember, whatever the result ( excitement or disappointment ) –“ Commit your ways to the Lord, and He will direct your path”

**The Choir** We are looking for further members to join the choir. Please have a word with a present member for further information. Many thanks to the choir for the music at our Confirmation Mass. With a larger choir our options are also enlarged. Don't be shy!

**Last Sunday's Collection:** St. Joseph's £412-39 ( plus Direct Debits ). St John Kemble £61-00. ( plus £50 donation ) Many thanks.

**MacMillan Coffee Morning** The Parish Coffee Morning on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 10-00 a.m. will be in support of Mac Millan Nurses. Please come along, bring some friends. There is a list for cake donations at the back of the church.

**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, Bridie Johnson, Julie, Stephen & Jason Saunders, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna and Joe O'Brien, Margaret Jeffrey, Marion Brocksopp., Marlene John, Pat Day, Daniel John, Nora Reynolds, Adrian Macpherson-Jones, Roger Horton, Kath Davies, Paul Leaker, David Vaudin, Agnes Collins, Elaine Reynolds, Cynthia Cronin. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

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