

FOURTH SUNDAY (Ordinary Time) – 1ST FEBRUARY 2026

“ 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 (Sunday 1st February) Saturday 4-00 p.m. St John Kemble - Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. St. Joseph's – Thomas Birmingham (RIP) (The family). 10-30 a.m. Joseph Stanislaus, Kingshly Stanislas, Kamshalini Sivarupan (RIP) (The family).

Weekday Mass Times Monday (2nd February – **CANDLEMAS**) 6-00 p.m. Angela Healey (Sp.Int.) (S.V.P.) Wednesday (4th) 9-30 a.m. Deceased members of the S.V.P. (RIP). St. John Kemble 11-00 a.m. Roy Robinson (RIP) (Joe & Lorna). Thursday (5th) 9-30 a.m. Alan Boland (RIP).

Mass Intentions next Sunday (Sunday 25th January) Saturday (St. John Kemble) 4-00 p.m. Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. (St. Joseph's) Denis Doyle (RIP); 10-30 a.m. Rosy Williams (RIP) (Karen).

Fourth Sunday - Psalm Response “ Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven! ” (Sunday - Year A; Daily Mass Readings – Year II; Daily Office - Week 4)

Readers: **This Sunday** (1st) 6-00 p.m. Mandy Smith; 10-30 a.m. Sophia Hikary. **Next Sunday** (8th) 6-00 p.m. Sian Loynes; 10-30 a.m. Bethan Lee.

Candles: Sacred Heart – Dennis Huxtable (Sp.Int.); Our Lady – Sheila Morgan (Sp. Int.); St. Joseph – Luke Saunders. (Sp.Int.).

Anniversaries Terry Lloyd (2020); Luisa Salmi (2016); Alan Boland (2021); Sheila Nolan (2017); John Carson Morris (2023); Elizabeth Ley (2011); Antonietta Bester (2012); Rose Williams (2024); Ann Buddy (2010); Martin Morrisey (2023); Iain Davies (2009); William Jolley (2010); Joan Thomas (2017). *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Parish Guild Meeting this Monday (2nd) at 1-00 p.m. in the Hall. Presentation of cheque to Ty Olwen.

Catechesis We shall meet in the lounge/side room in the **Parish Hall** this Sunday for our “ten minute” catechesis session after the 10-30 a.m. Mass. If you are thinking of becoming a catholic or have recently come back to the Church and have questions, we meet together before joining others for tea & coffee in the Hall afterwards.

Lenten Reflections. Archbishop Mark is publishing six Lenten/Easter Reflections. Our Parish Faith Group will discuss one each Friday from 2-00 p.m. to 3-00 p.m. in the Parish Hall starting on February 20th. You don't need to attend all, please come when you can.

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 and Luke, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna and Joe O'Brien, Margaret Jeffrey, Marion Brocksopp., Marlene John, Pat Day, Daniel John, Adrian Macpherson-Jones, Roger Horton, Kath Davies, David Vaudin, Agnes Collins, Angela Healey., Mark Thomas, Siobhan Fitchett, John & Jane Smith, Donie O'Connell, Dennis Huxtable, Colin Mulligan, Sheila Morgan, Mary Bowen. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

Last Sunday's Collection: (11th) St. Joseph's £373-74 (Plus Direct Debits); St. John Kemble £62-00. Many thanks.

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