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22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time: (Year B) 29th August 2021

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 28th August	Vigil: 22nd Sunday	6.00pm	People of the parish
Sunday 29th August	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.30am	Martin Pereira RIP
		10.30am	Catherine & Michael O'Sullivan
Thursday 2nd September	Feria	9.15am	Mike Kennedy RIP
Friday 3rd September	St Gregory the Great	9.15am	Frank Barrett RIP
Saturday 4th September	Vigil: 23rd Sunday	6.00pm	Marcelina Varela RIP

CONFESSIONS Saturday 5.30, or see Fr John.

Intentions are now booked until September please leave plenty of time if you want a special date

Liturgy of the Word: 29th August 2021

Entrance Antiphon: *Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.*

Responsorial Psalm: *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!*

Next week: *Isaiah 35:4-7, Psalm 145:7-10, James 2:1-5, Mark 7:31-37*

Fr John writes

“You must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.” (James 1:17)

Last week-end concluded the teaching about Jesus the bread of life from John's gospel and readings from the letter to the Ephesians which (with a break for the Assumption) have been offered for our reflection for a number of weeks.

Our second reading for the next few weeks will be taken from the letter of St James. Only 5 chapters long, it challenges us to put our faith into action and includes the famous verse “as a body without a spirit is dead, so is faith without deeds”. James reminds us that prayer must be accompanied by good works.

We should accept trials and temptations and trust God to show us the way to true wisdom which comes from above and which is peaceable, kindly and considerate; is full of mercy and shows itself by doing good.

James tells us that the supreme law of scripture is “you will love your neighbour as yourself” and coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it is “pure unspoilt religion” in the eyes of God.

James tells us we have the choice to be either a friend of God or a friend of the world. We are friends of God when we imitate the divine nature in daily life by giving generously, favouring the poor rather than the rich and powerful, and by showing kindness and compassion.

James offers practical guidance about listening: he tells us we should be quick to listen but slow to speak, and slow to anger. He warns us of the damage our tongues can do and urges us to keep them on a tight rein.

James cautions us against seeing all of our plans in worldly terms, such as making money. Rather our prayer should always be “if it is the Lord's will”.

“All that is good, all that is perfect, is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light.”

IMPORTANT NOTICE - BOOKING for MASS To Book log into carpenterspark@rcdow.org.uk and select EVENTS.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

STARTS on 11th September
at the 6pm Family Mass.



Children from Reception Year up to Year 3 (who have not yet received their First Holy Communion).

First Holy Communion & Confirmation Programmes for 2021-2022

We are planning our Holy Communion & Confirmation sessions for next year. Please register by completing a form which can be collected from the stewards at Mass. Please return them by 3rd October at the latest.



The Financials....

Total offertory for weekend 22/8/21

Envelopes £187.05

Loose Plate £188.60

July Virgin Money Donations via website £56.25

July Monthly Standing Orders: £1249.50

Last Years Standing Orders for July: £681.50



BAPTISMS: If you would like your child to be baptised, please collect a registration form to complete and return to the office. We will get in touch once we receive it.

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>. Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times. Thank you.



Online and Remote Volunteers needed

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support - providing counselling and marriage preparation throughout England and Wales. We are looking for volunteers who can spare just a few hours a week working from the comfort of their own home to help us support marriage and relationships.

Zoom Support: Are you an expert on Zoom and would you like to use your tech-skills to help us run marriage preparation courses, training or CPD events online?

Remote Secretary: Provide a vital service to counsellors and clients, taking last-minute cancellations calls and communicating changes as necessary.

For more information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

The Bishops of England and Wales have advised us that a gradual easing of restrictions is suggested with some ongoing mitigation of risk.

Care has to be taken to ensure that churches continue to be places where people feel safe to gather to worship. Churches should continue to provide hand sanitiser at entrances and exits and face coverings are strongly recommended to be worn by those in church. The advice from Public Health England is that risk is significantly lower with good ventilation and a face covering. There are key actions which churches and parishes have been doing, and should continue.

As long as the NHS Test, Track and Trace system is in operation, churches should continue to make available the means for people to sign in for acts of worship using the NHS app and the associated QR codes (or other means of attendee identification). If an online Mass Booking system is in place, this should continue to be used so that attendees are known.

It is no longer necessary to have one-way systems or other restrictions on movement in churches from this time onward. People should exercise good responsible behaviour especially when moving to receive Holy Communion during Mass and should avoid getting too close to each other.

The **offertory collection** can be resumed in church with baskets and pouches, however, it is encouraged to promote online or contactless giving in the churches if possible

- It is recommended that the physical **Sign of Peace** remain suspended as it is not an integral part of the Mass, and its omission will help to reduce physical contact between people during the celebration.
- **Holy Communion** will continue to be under one kind and the ministers will continue to sanitise their hands beforehand and wear a face covering whilst distributing. Communion is recommended to be received in the hand.