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### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 6th February 2022

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### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5th February	Vigil: 5th Sunday of the year	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 6th February	5th Sunday of the year	8.30am	Martin & Marie Moran RIP
		10.30am	Primitivo Arano & Candido Baisac
Thursday 10th February	St Scholastica	9.15am	Maurice Rodrigo RIP
Friday 11th February	Feria	9.15am	Kelsey & Joshua Baker
Saturday 12th February	Vigil: 6th Sunday of the year	6.00pm	People of the parish

**CONFESSIONS** Saturday 5.30, or see Fr John.

### Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon:      O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Responsorial Psalm:      Before the angels I will bless you O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:      Alleluia, alleluia! I call your friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Next week's Readings:      Jeremiah 17:5-8, Psalm 1, Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 Luke 6:17 20-26

### Fr John writes:

### "If you say so, I will pay out the nets". (Luke 5:5)

In our Gospel story today, Jesus has used Simon Peter's boat to address the people gathered on the shore of lake Galilee, probably using one of the inlets of the lake as a natural amphitheatre, with the crowds looking down on the water and Jesus' voice echoing around for all to hear easily. He then suggests that they go fishing. From what Simon says, night time was the time to catch fish and they had caught nothing all night long. But Simon had seen Jesus cure his own mother-in law of fever and heal many others of different kinds of sickness. Although the idea of fishing seemed ridiculous, Simon trusts in the Lord and in the end they fill two boats to sinking point.

Nothing is impossible for God. We may sometimes feel we are labouring in vain but we ask for some of Simon's faith in Jesus' power. Sometimes following the word of God will take us into unexpected waters, but we may be sure that Jesus is always in the boat with us. And just as Simon's companions in other boats came to help him to land the fish, so too we realise that we are supported and encouraged by our brothers and sisters in the Lord and that we should try to keep an eye out for any of them who need a helping hand.

Sometimes God's word asks us to do something we find we have tried before without success. We may be challenged to reach out again to someone who has spurned us; we may find it difficult to forgive someone who has hurt us, but Jesus tells us pay out our nets again.

Jesus used the fishermen's' own skills to achieve great results. He will work too with our own abilities and individual strengths. We rely on Jesus to show us the way : "Here I am Lord, send me to do your will."

Our prayers are asked for Helen Birch and Tom O'Connor for the success of their hospital treatment.

## WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2022 (11 February 2022)

Friday 11th February is World Day of the Sick. Pope Francis has published a message which will be of particular interest to healthcare workers and all who support the sick.

Search online [World Day of the Sick 2022: the Message of Pope Francis](#)

### Invitation for all our young adults

Joel's Bar is a young adults ministry which has run Catholic Charismatic events for the last 28 years serving those between ages 17 (year 12) and 25.

**What** - A week full of opportunities for young adults to spend time each day in personal prayer, share in the sacraments, come together for faith input and discussions as well as engaging in praise and worship, social activities and workshops all focussing around this year's theme of 'Holiness, Intimacy & Unity'

**Where** - St. Mary's School, Ascot, Berkshire from 3rd-8th April.

**Why** - We want to see young people inspired and equipped to live an authentic Christian life in the power of the Holy Spirit. We believe offering people space to encounter the living God and explore faith within a safe space of a community, and fellowship is a great way to do this!

Further details and tickets are available now at <https://www.joelsbar.co.uk/buy-tickets-1> . You can either purchase a full residential (all week) ticket which includes full board and lodging, or you can buy day tickets. Either way, whether you've been to JB before or not, part of a CathSoc or Christian Union, diocesan youth team or youth group coming with friends, family or coming alone, **we can't wait to see you!**

## *Gala Irish Concert*

**Charity Concert in aid of The British Heart Foundation & The Michael Sobell Hospice.  
Salvatorian College 26 February 2022 7.30 to 11pm HA3 5DY**

**Featuring John Mc Nicholl and his Band - The London Irish Orchestra  
Terence O'Flaherty with Liam and Caroline Nolan**

**TICKETS £15**

**07312 032905**

## CHORISTER OPPORTUNITIES AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

Every September Westminster Cathedral Choir School welcomes up to six choristers into Year 4. Becoming a chorister at Westminster Cathedral offers boys the opportunity to sing both in central London, and on tour internationally, in one of the world's great choirs. Boys also receive an outstanding education at one of London's leading schools.

Cloisters board during the School week only, heading home to their families from Friday afternoon until Sunday morning 9.45am.

Becoming a chorister is a wonderful opportunity to join a thriving choir and school. There are no financial barriers to entry: all boys receive a generous scholarship, with bursaries worth 100% of fees available on a means tested basis.

Contact Lucy Auger on 020 7798 9081  
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**The latest advice from the Bishop's conference is that face masks may continue to be worn in Church. For the time being we continue to recommend the wearing of masks whilst Covid infections locally continue to be at significant levels.**

**The Financials.....Total offertory for the month of  
December**

**Envelopes £1197.51**

**Loose Plate £828.84**

**Standing Orders: £1517.50**

**Last Year's offertory for December**

**Envelopes £919.95 Loose plate £936.75**

**Standing Orders £819.50**

**Thank you**