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O Lord God, full of love and compassion.

I have no idea where I am going.

1. I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

Nor do I really know myself.

And the fact that I think

I am following your Will

does not mean that I am actually doing so

but I believe that the desire to return to you

does in fact please You.

And I hope I have that desire

in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything

apart from that desire to please You.

And I know that if I do this

You will lead me by the right road

though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore, I will trust You always

though I may seem to be lost

and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear

for You are ever with me

and you will never leave me

to make my journey alone.

by Thomas Merton

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like to book a Mass then please come and see me and I will arrange the Mass for you. Fr Voy

**READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINNISTERS**

You are invited to a meeting with me on the 20/01/20212 at 7pm in the Church. Fr Voy

**Sunday 16th january 2022**

‘2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time’

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sat: 15th** 08.30Confessions/Exposititon/Adoration

09.15 Carmel & Joe Burke Intentions

18.00 Jimmy & Mary Currid Intentions

**Sun:16th** 09.00 Bridie O Shea R.I.P

11.00 Bo Rogers R.I.P

NO EVENING MASS

**Mon17th** 09.15 Delia & Peadar Hegarty Intentions

**Tues 18th** 09.15 Antonio & Lucia Abbate R.I.P

**Wed 19th \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Thurs 20th** 10.00 Patricia O Sullivan R.I.P

**Fri: 21st** 09.15 Jerry Mc Carthy R.I.P

**Sat: 22nd** 08.30Confessions/Exposititon/Adoration

09.15 Parishioners

18.00 Eileen Guihen R.I.P

**Sun:23rd** 09.00 Ann Bourke R.I.P

11.00 Donnelly family R.I.P

NO EVENING MASS

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**CHURCH OPEN**

The church will be open for private prayer from

09.00 –15. 00 on Tue, Wed & Thurs. Access is via the entrance in the car park only. The door will be closed but unlocked. Please feel free to pop in to visit the Lord and enjoy a moment of peace and solace in His presence. (If you find the Church locked, then knock on the door of the Parish Office and someone will unlock the Church.

**CRIB APPEAL 2021**

Thank you for your generous donations to this appeal: so far it has raised £332.11 for the Catholic Children’s Society. It is not too late to give a donation and envelopes are provided next to the crib.

**SPUC ANNUAL APPEAL**

Speakers from The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be at both our morning Masses next Sunday 16th January.  They will speak briefly about the dangers of home abortions being promoted by the Government during the Covid crisis and the difficulties some University pro-life groups are now experiencing. There will be postcards to sign that will then be presented to the Prime Minister and some stickers for you to wear. There will be a basket at the front of the Church for donations.

**ST HELEN’S FOOD BANK**

Will be open on Wednesday from 10.00 – 11.30. If you know of anyone who is struggling, then please let them know.

**SYNOD 2022 PART 2**

The second phase of the process will move from “reflection” and will focus on “who we would like to be as a parish?” Our third session takes place this morning in the hall after 9am Mass. Please support this if you can.

*ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON OTHER SIDE*

**CONFIRMATION 2022**

This year’s programme will begin in March and

Application Forms will be available shortly. The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on 17th June 2022 at 7pm.

**MONDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP 7pm**

Takes place in the Church but access is via the Sacristy. The group is led by Peter Arokiasamy.

**All welcome.**

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2022**

Bookings for this 7 night pilgrimage are being taken now. Bookings made before 31/01/2022 will be entitled to a £30 discount. Please contact

Peter Arokiasamy on 07977 516561.

(See poster in the Hall Lobby)

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

RCIA is a programme for adults that explains the Catholic faith and prepares candidates to be received into the Church. It will be a requirement of the programme that Candidates attend at least four Masses. If you or someone you know would like to join and be prepared for Baptism or Confirmation, then please email the Parish Office with your details and you will be contacted. Alternatively, you can collect a form from the Hall Lobby on Tues, Wed or Thurs. The programme is due to start 27/01/2022 from 19.30 – 20.30 (Thursday evenings).

**The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

**18th – 25th January 2022**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 has been prepared by the churches of the Middle East, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression. The Christians of the Middle East offer resources conscious that the world shares many of the travails and much of the difficulties that it experiences, and yearns for a light to lead the way to the Saviour who is the light that overcomes darkness.

The story of the Magi visiting the Holy Family in Bethlehem is one very familiar to us. The Magi have sometimes been seen as a symbol of the world’s diversity – different religions and cultures – that comes to pay homage to the Christ-child. The story might therefore represent the unity of all created that God desires. For resources, go to

<https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022/>

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR**

09/01/2022Loose Plate £212.10

Planned Giving £170.10

Standing Orders for October 2021 £4,012.49

If you would like to set up a monthly

Standing Order, our bank details are:

**HSBC Bank: WRCDT Watford North**

Sort Code: **40-05-20** Account No: **81263439**

anned Giving: £572.88p Loose Plate £303.29p

Standing Orders£1897.33.

**TIONS FOR**

**24th April: £**

***Planned Giving: £ Loose Plate: £***

***Our total income received in March for***

***Standing Orders: p***

***Standing Order figures:***

***April £1,917.33 May £2,022.33***

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