

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 21st July 2024

“ 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).

VOCATIONS PRAYER Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to You. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do Your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. Grant Lord that those whom You call to enter the priesthood, diaconate or religious life may have the generosity to answer Your call, so that those who need Your help may find it. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mass Intentions this Sunday (21st July) Saturday 4-00 p.m. (St. John Kemble) Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. (St.Joseph's) George McIntyre (RIP) (George & Glenda); 10-30 a.m. May, Arthur, Colin Stockton (RIP) (Deacon Jim & Marie).

Weekday Mass Times Tuesday (23rd) 6-00 p.m. Suzanne Coles (RIP) (Mercy); Wednesday (24th July) No 9-30 a.m. Mass; 11-00 a.m. (St. John Kemble) Mark (Sp. Int.); Thursday (25th) 6-00 p.m. Cheryl Ford (RIP) (Sheila Morgan)

Mass Intentions next Sunday (28th July) Saturday 4-00 p.m. (St. John Kemble) Mark (Sp.Int.) 6-00 p.m. (St. Joseph's) Parish & People; Sunday 10-30 a.m. Mike & Lorraine (Sp.Int.). (Fr.Neil will be arriving from the 9-00 a.m. Mass in Briton Ferry).

Repair Works This week work on repairing church radiators and installing a new gas boiler in the house. Possibly also this week work to start on the church roof and also the installation of security cameras around the church, house and presbytery.

Holy Baptism Please keep in your prayers Molly Glithero who will be baptised into the Church next Saturday morning.

Readers: This Sunday (21st) 6-00 p.m. Nora Reynolds; 10-30 a.m. Stephen Evans. **Next Sunday** (28th) 6-00 p.m. Maureen McAteer; 10-30 a.m. Des Nicholas.

Candles: Sacred Heart – Sick & Housebound (Sp. Int.); Our Lady – Teresa Lacovic; St. Joseph – Ukraine & Israel/Gaza (Peace);

Anniversaries Wendy Beard (2017); John Sweeney (2009); John Watkins (2016); Lorenzo Linciano (2014); . *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

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

Capel Mair The annual celebration of Mass in the ruined church on the hillside in Margam Park - Tuesday 23rd July (the Feast Day of St. Philip Evans and St.John Loyd) at 6-00 p.m. (If the weather does not permit – transferred to Our Lady of Margam Church at 6-00 p.m.) All welcome.

Last Sunday's Collection: £380-17 (plus Direct Debits) – Stella Maris/Apostleship of the Sea £378-40 and a further generous donation to the Hall Roof of £1,000. from the Parish Guild & International Food Extravaganza. Many thanks. All donations gratefully received. St.John Kemble £58-50 Stella Maris - £20-10.. Many thanks.

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