SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY – 27th JULY 2025

"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 (27th July) Saturday (St. John Kemble) 4-00 p.m. Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. (St. Joseph's) David Reynolds (RIP) (Nora);10-30 a.m. Jacob Joseph (RIP) (Geeghu Jacob).

Weekday Mass No weekday celebration of Mass this week.

Mass Intentions next Sunday (3rd August) Saturday (St. John Kemble) 4-00 p.m. Parish & People; 6-00 p.m. (St. Joseph's) Ann Hanford (RIP) (The family); 10-30 a.m. Stuart Michael (RIP) (The family).

<u>Weekend Masses in July</u> We are very grateful to Fr. Marvyn celebrating Mass for us during July and also to Fr. Rod both of whom are based at the Sacred Heart in Morriston. We wish them both every blessing in their priestly ministry and thank them for their help.

<u>Mass Intentions</u> Please note Mass Intentions are now reserved until the <u>middle of October</u> (weekdays) and the beginning of November (weekends) Please think several months ahead if you would like a Mass said for a loved one. At present, it takes about eight weeks for a reserved Mass to be celebrated.

Readers: This Sunday (27th July).6-00 p.m. Ceri McAteer 10-30 a.m. Bridget Zambrano. Next Sunday (3rd August) 6-00 p.m. Gerald Smith; 10-30 a.m. Sheila Williams

<u>Readers</u> Please come early so that you have the opportunity before Mass to look at the readings beforehand. If you are unable to keep your place on the rota please arrange for someone to take your place (!!).

Hall Caretaker There is the opportunity to take on the role of Parish Hall Caretaker. The hours required per week are very flexible and generally reflect opening and locking up the hall when there are parish events eg: Masses, coffee mornings and the occasional hall booking. The role involves being approachable, flexible, trustworthy and reliable. You will be required to carry out general cleaning duties and putting out the food waste, recycling and non-recycling items in a timely manner, purchasing and restocking tea, coffee etc along with general cleaning items, providing receipts as required. This role is ideal for someone who lives close to the Church and Hall. If you are interested please contact Brenda Grant Tel: 07817656157 to discuss details along with the remuneration.

<u>Parish S.V.P.</u> Over the last 12 months our SVP group made 942 home visits and provided lifts and assistance on 143 occasions. We help at Bridge Street breakfast club for the homeless and the Salvation Army food bank. We are always humbled and grateful for your generosity in supporting our appeals but we are a small group and our membership needs to increase. Please consider joining the SVP to help us continue to support others. If interested please approach a member of the SVP.

<u>Candles:</u> Sacred Heart - Alma Elias (RIP); Our Lady - Edward Elwyn Joseph (RIP); St. Joseph - The Middle East, Ukraine & Sudan.

<u>Last Sunday's Collection</u>: St. Joseph's £321-09 (plus Direct Debits) Stella Maris (new total) £102-30. St John Kemble £108-30, Stella Maris t.b.a.

<u>Anniversaries</u> Mary Pughsley (2022); Peter Thomas (2022); Margaret Moorland (2009); Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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