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25th February 2018 Second Sunday Lent Time Reading cycles: Sundays B Psalter Week 2

Mass Times and Intentions Saturday 6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday Intention:

Sunday Second Sunday in Lent 9.30 am Intention: Maureen & Grenville Phillips RIP

Monday Second week in Lent 9.30 am Intention: Binoy Thomas & A P Joseph RIP

Tuesday Second week in Lent NO MASS

Wednesday Second week in Lent 7.30 pm Intention: Ezekiel & Marion Thanksgiving

Thursday Solemnity St David, Patron of Wales 9.30 am

Intention:

Friday Second week in Lent Stations of the Cross 7.00 pm Mass 7.30 pm

Intention: Browne Family Thanksgiving

Saturday Second week in Lent 12.00 noon

Intention: Eddie Hart RIP

Saturday 3rd March Third Sunday of Lent 6.00pm

Intention:

Confessions: Saturdays 11.15 to 12 noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & morning / evening prayers 30

minutes before all weekday Masses.

Recently Died

Anniversaries

Alan Jones

Peter Hughes

Maureen Phillips

Mary Ellen Connor

Kathleen Hughes

Binoy Thomas

Barrie Jones

Mena Phelps

Anne Darracott

Ernest Colwill

Kathleen Richards

Michael Carroll

Denis Murphy

Remo D'Alesio

Eternal rest grant unto them O

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Heavenly Father,

look with mercy on the sick of our parish community and help them in this time of sickness.

Restore them to health, we pray, Through Christ our Lord. Amen

A little desire is enough to shape deeper desires during Lent

Once we can say we want to make something of these precious days in Lent, then we can start naming some more specific desires.

Now I can turn to the Lord, with some real, concrete desires. Now I can practice waking up each morning and naming a desire - while I'm putting on my slippers, or taking a shower or getting dressed: "Lord, it feels so good to be honest with myself before you. Let me know your presence today. Help me face the challenges that will be there today. Give me some more freedom to make different choices, and act on the graces you are giving me, to refrain from escaping, but rather to give myself to loving, as you have loved me. "Imagine all the different prayers like that - one minute long - that would shape our day! With these desires to let God's grace transform me, then I can pause before going to bed each night, and look back through the day to thank God for the places I felt God's presence and help.

Let's give Lent a new start in the days ahead. God is offering us more than we can ask or imagine.

'I know that true charity consists in bearing all our neighbour's defects, not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues' Saint Therese de Lisieux (1873—1897)

Last week's Collection £ 456
200 Club Winner 29

Legion of Mary prayer group each Monday after Mass. New members are welcome to pray together for Parish and for those struggling and suffering in life Tesco Gift Vouchers Sold this week £180 Parish Income £9

First Communion Classes Mondays 5.30 pm

Confirmation Class Sundays after Mass Charity Shop Visit the Charity Shop and enjoy a chat and a cup of tea. Open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10.30 am—3pm

Growing in Faith Group Mondays 7.30 pm All are welcome.

Prayer for Wales

O Almighty God, in Your infinite goodness, You sent Your only-begotten Son into this world to open once more the gates of Heaven, and to teach us to know, love, and serve You. Have mercy on Your people who dwell in Wales. Nourish in us the precious gift of faith and unite us in the one true Church, founded by Your Divine Son. Give us the grace to be loyal witnesses together to Your truth, and to live faithful to Your love. Sanctify us by Your Son's sacraments, and bring us to worship You in spirit and in truth, so that we may come to have eternal happiness with You, in the world to come. Through the same Jesus Christ Our Lord. AMEN

Mary, help of Christians, pray for Wales. St David, pray for Wales. St Winefride, pray for Wales. All you Saints of Wales, pray for Wales.



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 find my true vocation in life
and grant that through it I may find happiness
in 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.

Ministers of the Word & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 3rd / 4th March Saturday

First Emma
Second Karen Mc
Bidding Prayers Patricia
Eucharistic Ministers Karen Pam

Sunday

Eucharistic Ministers John Donna Mathew

Church Cleaning Rota

3rd MarchCagi Family10th MarchNo cleanIMPORTANT

Ministers—if you cannot attend or need to change your rota, please let us know. For Sundays contact

Day of Prayer and Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word.

Holy Cross Church, 3rd March 2018,11am-3pm

Pure in Heart Swansea

All are welcome to a presentation on NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING by Mrs Colleen Norman (Director NFP Teachers Association) At St David's Parish Hall Swansea Sunday 4th March 2018

Youth Retreat Sunday 4th march Day is organized by Jesus Youth Team. Starts after Mass until 3pm. Please bring your sandwich & parish will provide soft drinks, fruits, sweets, crisps.....