St John the Evangelist

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr James Callaghan OSB

31 January 2021 (Year B)

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Mass Times this Week:

Saturday 30 St John Bosco, Priest, Feast 5:45pm Mass: *Tom Holton RIP*

Sunday 31 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass: Parish

Monday 1 Feria

Tuesday 2 The Presentation of the Lord, Feast

Wednesday 3 Feria

09:30am Mass: Colette Watson RIP

Thursday 4 Feria

Friday 5 St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr, Mem

09:30am Mass: Anne Rowe RIP

Saturday 6 St Paul Miki, & Companions, Martyrs, Mem

5:45pm Mass: *Parish*

Sunday 7 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass: Brian Underwood and his Brother-in-Law RIP

Seating at Mass

Please note that the seating plans for Mass are now fixed, and that Sunday Mass is fully booked. If you have not already booked a place and would like to come, we should be able to fit you in on a Saturday. Due to the amount of work that goes in to set it all up, we cannot accept any new bookings after Friday. If you believe a place is being kept for you at Sunday Mass, but you are unlikely to be a regular attendee, please let us know so that we can reassign the place.

Preparing for Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday this year is the 17th February: here is a short passage taken from the introduction to Walk with Me, published by Alive Publishing:

"Repent and believe in the gospel' or 'Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.' Both of these refrains can seem a little morbid, depressing even. Nevertheless, they proclaim our desire to return to God with all our heart.

The ashes are a sign of conversion, truly a sign of contradiction, but also of hope and inner renewal. When we turn back to God with all our heart, soul and strength we receive in turn God's grace and blessing.

Lord, purify my heart with the treasure of the Gospel, for where my treasure is, there also is my heart."

This is a booklet for Lent (price £1) with a reading and prayers for every day of this holy season It is a very useful guide to direct our thoughts day by day until Easter Sunday.

If you would like a copy for yourself call 01782 745600 or email booksales@alivepublishing.co.uk

Thought for the Week

"If we insist on being as sure as is conceivable... we must be content to creep along the ground, and never soar."

John Henry Newman

Prayer to St Michael

Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Christmas Cards in the Porch

Please check to see if there are any for you still left. Those still there after this weekend will go into Kathryn's crafting collection...

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)

The SVP nationally has been working hard to meet needs in parishes and communities. In this difficult situation they have arranged for some Zoom sessions for anyone interested in learning more about what they do. Please collect a leaflet from the Porch, or contact Kathryn. We do have a local branch, and if you would like more information about that please ring Pauline on 823675

Information and Useful Links

- Please let Kathryn have your email for the bulletin
- Search for our closed group on Facebook
- Please see our website for a list of on-line resources, including churches who are live-streaming Mass, and Magnificat's offer for free on-line access during this troubled time.
- Catholic Universe and Catholic Times: can be delivered to you weekly: 3 months for £22.00 or 12 months for £80.00. See www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call 0161 820 5722
- For editions of all the catholic papers you can also go on www.ChurchPaper.co.uk.

Messages from Charities

- Right to Life: would like you to email your MP asking that the Government should not give in to demands from the assisted suicide lobby: https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide
- "Survive" is a York-based charity providing support to those who have survived child sexual abuse, rape or sexual assault: survive-northyorks.org.uk

CAFOD Volunteer Team

Just a few hours a month could help us to share updates and enable our parish community to take action for global justice. Help us to keep the conversations about human rights, social justice and climate action going and stay connected with those who are impacted by poverty and injustice. You will be supported by Carol Cross our local CAFOD worker for the Diocese, contact her for more details ccross@cafod.org.uk or sign up here www.cafod.org.uk/Volunteer/Sign-up.

Eggs: Free until further notice

Please take what you need from the Porch, many thanks to Trish and Jane. You are still welcome to donate to the Poor Box if you wish, but there is no obligation.

Offertory Collections and Charities: Thank you for your offerings

• Thank you for the recent offertory collections:

10 January: £163.20 17 January: £158.00 24 January: £341.00

- We have raised £93.51 through Easyfundraising over the last quarter: thank you to those who are using the scheme. Please see Kathryn if you would like more information.
- Missio: There are some calendars available in the porch

Stewarding

Thank you to those who help out by stewarding. Next weekend's stewards are the Fram family and Mary-Clare Laidlaw.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

the Sick, Infirm and Housebound: Sally Agar, Mattie Burke, Mary Capaldi, Kitty Carrington, Cath Cavanagh, Jenny Cook, David Craig, Col Crossland, Paul Gallagher, Murray Grant, Catherine Harmer, Mary-Rose Harrison, Pauline Harrison, Marta Hatfield, Derrick Johnson, Gerry Kelly, Vince Kelly, Darren Kennedy, Lt. Comm. Matthew Kiernan, Vincent O'Donnell, Marie Podgorski, Teresa Catherine Powers, Stephen Sangster, Anne Waggott, Ron Waite and Sophie Williams;

those who have died recently: Alma Corrie, Ruth Doyle, Jean de Groot, Rita Leedal, Anne Rowe, Jack Walsh:

those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: Greville Freeman-Grenville, Denis Slocombe, Bevil Freeman-Grenville, Carmel Margaret Smith, Freda Helen Andrews