

28th/29th August 2021

We can often find ourselves becoming distracted from the essentials of the life of faith. As we gather today we are reminded by the word of God that true religion is the serving of the poor and needy and staying close to God.

First Reading Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 Moses explains to the people of Israel that the laws that God gives are designed to help them live well in the Promised Land.

Second Reading James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 The word of God brings life and salvation if we put into practice what it says.

Gospel Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 The Pharisees and the Scribes are arguing with Jesus because his disciples do not perform the customary rituals of washing before eating. Jesus challenges them to live beyond the surface and live from the heart.



Sat 28th		
5pm	Public Mass	Wilfrid Reidy
Sunday 29th		
10am	Public Mass	Sidney Finn
<i>No Private Prayer and Exposition today</i>		
Mon. 30th		
9am	Public Mass	The People of the Parish
Tues. 31st		
10:30am	Carleton Crematorium Service for Anne Street	
12noon	Public Mass	Maureen Shorrock
Wed. 1st September		
9am	Public Mass	David Wilkie
3:30pm	Carleton Crematorium Service for Robert Adamson	
Thurs. 2nd		
10am	Carleton Crematorium Service for Christine Milner	
12 noon	Public Mass	Cathy Allardyce
Fri. 3rd	No Services Today	
Sat 4th		
5pm	Public Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 5th		
10am	Public Mass	Dorothea Evans
12-1pm	Private Prayer and Exposition today	

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently especially, Anne Street, Christine Milner, Mary Dickinson, Margaret Howard, and Robert Adamson and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time especially Wilfred Reidy, Michael Donnellan, Maureen Shorrock, Joan Morley, Ronnie Hosking, Edna Wells, Charles West and Sheila McGuirk and for those in need of our prayers: those in hospital, the hospice, our priests at St. Winefride's, and Michael Barnes, Meg Brett, Joseph Curran, Maria Curran, Joan Farnen, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Michael Hilton, Paul Huson, Mo Long, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris, Kelli Pickup and Bob Taylor.

 Please note that
 there is **no** Lunchtime Prayer and Exposition this
 Sunday.

Mass will be streamed live on Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 10am.
 and then available for the week.

If you wish to watch 'live' please tune in five minutes beforehand.
 Please join us in prayer on the St. Bernadette's Bispham Channel
 on the YouTube. Search 'YouTube St. Bernadette's Bispham'

Twenty Second Sunday of the Year

'Opening Up' Guidelines

Please **continue the option to wear masks** whilst in the Church building, sanitize as usual, and optionally sign in for track and trace.

Social distancing is not required but please **be sensitive to others**, and for the time being the ropes will remain on alternate side benches.

Communion distribution will continue as present **by hand under one kind**. Singing, and other readings and various actions during mass (such as an offertory procession) etc., will be gradually reintroduced.

Please **leave orderly** as directed, and **be sensitive to people's feelings**.

The 'Message from St. Bernadette's' has gone weekly! If you would like to receive a copy, which includes prayers, scripture references and news and anecdotes, as well as more information about growing the Parish as we come out of LockDown, **please email the Parish, or hand in your email address at masses**, and we can add you to the list.

Fr. Peter's 1000 Paper Crane Challenge.

Fr. Peter's Challenge to make 1000 Paper origami cranes, to raise money for those in need locally during the Autumn and Winter is now coming to it's conclusion, and **hopefully the 1000th Crane will be on display at the back of Church next Sunday.**

Many thanks for all the contributions so far, which are still welcome!



All donations welcome in the usual ways: in envelopes clearly marked in the collection or through the Parish Bank Account (please mark your donation Cranes or Challenge). Many thanks in anticipation.

Next Week is Food Sunday: please think of food suitable for **whole meals**, especially tins of meat and tins of veg, as well as tins of cold meats and tuna. All donations gratefully received.

The Return of the Newly 'Covid-Safe'

SVP Coffee Morning

With coffee, tea, cakes, and chit-chat



ALL WELCOME In the Hall from 10:30pm
 Starting **Next Tuesday 7th September**

Diocesan Pilgrimage to St. Mary's Cleator, 'Our Lady - Help of the Sick Pray for us.' Sunday 12th September 2021 Mass & Blessing of the Sick at 3pm with Principal Celebrant & Preacher: Bishop Paul Swarbrick. For further details please contact: St Mary's Priory, Cleator, CA23 3AB (Tel: 01946 810324) email: stmandstj@gmail.com

Mass Intentions can still be left in the collection at Masses at the presbytery and these intentions can continue to be said. Everyone is dispensed from the Obligation of Sunday and Holyday mass for the time being.

Food Sunday will continue, and likely to be more necessary than ever. Food can be brought to the Church at Mass times or the presbytery at any time.

Hospital On-Call Chaplains: We are still operating a 24/7 on-call R.C. Chaplain's rota in Victoria Hospital. If you need a priest in an emergency please ring the ward and ask them to call the on-call duty R.C. chaplain.

Weekly Offerings. Given the financial ramifications of these times the diocese is asking our parishioners to consider and arrange keeping-up their weekly offertory donation, either by setting up a standing-order, or continuing weekly offerings in Church at Masses. Envelopes and the envelope scheme are available. You could also alternatively send us what you would normally put in the collection via bank transfer. Email us to take up this option. Many thanks.

Newsletters are printed every week, and are available at all Masses, as well as being emailed to everyone on the list, and copies left in the Church porch. Please take copies of the newsletter give to people as well as other prayer sheets and cards etc. that I will leave at the back of Church and send by email. The Church Porch will generally be open from 10am to 1pm.

Book Exchange available in the Church Porch. Please help yourself

This Week in the Hall: Sunday: 1pm Bowling Monday: 6pm Bowling. Wednesday: 9.30pm Pilates Thursday: 1pm Bowling, 7.30pm Drama Group.