

**THE 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FIRST READING** (Isaiah 58:7-10)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,  
and shelter the homeless poor,  
clothe the man you see to be naked  
and turn not from your own kin.  
Then will your light shine like the dawn  
and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you  
and the glory of the Lord behind you.  
Cry, and the Lord will answer;  
call, and he will say, "I am here."

If you do away with the yoke,  
the clenched fist, the wicked word,  
if you give your bread to the hungry,  
and relief to the oppressed,  
your light will rise in the darkness,  
and your shadows become like noon.

The word of the Lord.  
Response: **Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Psalm 111

Response: **The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.**

1. He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour. **R/**
2. The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. **R/**
3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; Open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. **R/**

**SECOND READING** (1 Corinthians 2:1-5)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him

as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great "fear and trembling" and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The word of the Lord.  
Response: **Thanks be to God**

**ALLELUIA VERSE**  
**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**I am the light of the world, says the Lord,**  
**anyone who follows me**  
**will have the light of life.**  
**Alleluia!**

**THE GOSPEL** (Matthew 5:13-16)

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **R/ Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



St. Patrick

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**9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**  
**THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sat	8th	18:15	<i>Lino Emanuelli</i>	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Sun	9th	09:00	<i>Catherine Godbert</i>	<i>Our Lady's</i>
	<b>The Fifth Sunday</b>	11:00	<i>Maura Sweeney</i>	<i>St Patrick's</i>
	<b>In Ordinary Time</b>	17:00	Mass in Polish	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Mon	10th	<b>Ferial</b>		
		12:00	<i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i>	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Tue	11th	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>		
		14:15	Funeral Service for Derek Lloyd	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Wed	12th	<b>Ferial</b>		
		12:00	Raymond Dyche Anniversary	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Thur	13th	<b>Ferial</b>		
		12:00	For Parishioners	<i>Our Lady's</i>
Fri	14th	<b>Ss Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop</b>		
		12:00	Pat Lennon	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Sat	15th	<b>Ferial</b>		
		18:15	Preeman Perera	<i>St Patrick's</i>
Sun	16th	09:00	Derek Mullinder	<i>Our Lady's</i>
	<b>Sixth Sunday</b>	11:00	For one who is ill	<i>St Patrick's</i>
	<b>In Ordinary Time</b>	17:00	Mass in Polish	<i>St Patrick's</i>

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### PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer all who have died, especially **Derek Lloyd; Charles Walsh; John Farmer; George Turner; and Mary Day**; all who are mourning the death of a loved one; and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

### MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's collections:

St Patrick's: £ 1,055.60

Our Lady's: £ 498.25

Many thanks for your continued generosity.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

There are 45 children at St Patrick's and 13 at Our Lady's who are enrolled on the First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion programme.

First Holy Communions will take place during weekend Masses during May

Do keep the candidates, their parents, and the catechists who will be working with them, in your prayers as they prepare for these important sacraments.

### CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

Young people in Yr8 and above who wish to be Confirmed this year should complete one of the green enrolment forms in the porch and return it via the gold box. Once we have numbers the preparation programme dates will be arranged. These forms must be returned by Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Confirmation will take place at St Patrick's on 28<sup>th</sup> May.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The course is being held in St Patrick's Presbytery. It is still not too late to join the group. The course is open to anybody wishing to have a deeper understanding of our shared faith.

**There is no meeting next week due to half-term.**

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

If you anybody at either church would like to know more about what you can do to help, please ask one of the team or let Father Alban have your details and someone will contact you.

Safeguarding checks are required for all helpers which we will arrange at no cost to you.

### ADVANCE NOTICE

On Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> March the Bishops of England and Wales will re-dedicate England as the Dowry of Mary. Parishioners will be invited to prepare for this over the coming weeks.

### SVP NATIONAL RAFFLE 2020

Raffle tickets are available at Our Lady's. The raffle supports St Vincent de Paul activities both locally and nationally. Ticket stubs and money is to be returned to church by Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> March. First prize £3,000, second prize £2,000, third prize £1,000 and ten £50 prizes.

### CWL ANNUAL RAFFLE

Wellington Section CWL is holding their Annual Raffle this year in aid of the Lingen Davies Cancer Fund.

This group attempts to raise public awareness of signs and symptoms of cancer, improve early diagnosis, support cancer patients and their relatives and friends when just diagnosed and undergoing treatment and in an ongoing way to help cope with problems of living with cancer as well as enhancing local Cancer Treatment Services.

Donations of raffle prizes of all descriptions will be very gratefully received, and a box will be placed in the meeting room for donations during the rest of January and early February or items can be given directly to members of the CWL.

Tickets will be sold at Masses from the second week of February and the draw will take place at our St Patrick's Day celebration.

Many thanks to everyone in anticipation of donations and support for this local and worthwhile Fund.

### TELFORD IN LOURDES 2020

Information on this year's diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is now available, as are the booking forms.

The cost of the pilgrimage has been reduced for those travelling over-land (although there is an increase in the cost of flying to Lourdes).

If you are joining this year's pilgrimage, please let Fr Alban know so that you can be kept informed of group activities

Between us, our parishes will again sponsor one parishioner (and if necessary, someone to accompany them). Forms are at the back of the church so that you can nominate a parishioner, young or old. Please read the "terms and conditions" on the form. Please return your completed forms via the gold box. Names will be drawn out of the hat at the end of the 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> March.

### YEARBOOKS

Filled with all kinds of information on the diocese and the different parishes, copies of the diocesan yearbook are now available, priced only £5 each.



### RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND

We thank all those who contributed to last weekend's special diocesan collection for the Retired Priests Fund.

We know that there were a number of people who still have envelopes to contribute. So, we shall extend the collection by one more week.

### 150 CLUB

Congratulations to the Week 8 Winners:

£30: Maureen Ion (No.2)

£15: Sarah Hope (No.31)

£10: Debbie Theodore (No.73)

£5: Andrea Lort (No.116)

### DEANERY DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Following the success of the last Deanery Day of Recollection, we have arranged another one, on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> March, this time reflecting on the life and example of Saint Oscar Romero. The day will be led by David McLoughlin (Emeritus Fellow of Newman University, Birmingham).

The venue will be Our Lady of the Rosary and St Luke's Church, Church Road, Trench (sat nav. TF2 7HG). The Day will begin with tea and coffee at 10.30am and will conclude at approximately 3pm. Please bring your packed lunch. There is no cost to the Day itself.

### CAN YOU HELP?

The cleaning rotas for St Patricks are due to be compiled for the next 12months.

We have a band of very committed helpers who work on either a Friday or Saturday morning to keep our building clean. Could you help?

It may be that you can make a team up from your special interest group or family or are willing to be added to an existing or new team.

Everyone is welcome. The commitment is approximately 2 hours and at present your turn would come round every six to eight weeks. This could be less frequent if we get more teams.

Please contact Vivienne Pike on 01952 249067 if you can help.

### QUIZ NIGHT

St Patrick's Primary School Parents' Association will be holding a quiz night with fish & chip supper on 28<sup>th</sup> February to raise funds for the school. Details and pre-order forms are on the notice boards.

### STAMP COLLECTION FOR RNIB

Thank you for bringing in your stamps. The collection boxes will remain in the porch for further donations.

### FRIENDS OF MYANGA

Last week we banked £138.65 for Myanga; the donations received in memory of Pat Lennon. The money is on its way to the sisters in Myanga.

We are in the process of completing our fundraising events for 2020 which we will share with you very shortly.

Thank you

### PARISH GROUPS

#### Meeting at Our Lady's:

Friends Together - Third Wednesday of the month at 2pm.

Choir - Thursday at 7:30-9pm

SVP – Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 6:30-7:30pm

#### Meeting at St Patrick's:

Meditation Group - Monday at 5.30pm. Term time

Choir - Wednesday at 7.15pm.

Prayer Group - Wednesday at 7:30pm.

Knit and Knatter – 12:45-2:30pm. 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the meeting room.

Catholic Women's League - Third Tuesday of the month at 7pm.

SVP – Fortnightly on Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm

All groups are open to members of both Parishes and new members will be welcomed warmly.

### PARISH DIARY

SP = St Patrick's; OL = Our Lady's

#### February

9<sup>th</sup> **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

12<sup>th</sup> Knit and Knatter

13<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Parish Council meets at OL

16<sup>th</sup> **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

18<sup>th</sup> Local Missionary Area Council Meeting at Bridgnorth

SVP meets SP

SVP meets OL

20<sup>th</sup> **7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

23<sup>rd</sup> **Ash Wednesday**

Knit and Knatter

27<sup>th</sup> First Forgiveness Celebration SP

28<sup>th</sup> First Forgiveness Celebration OL

#### March

1<sup>st</sup> **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

3<sup>rd</sup> SVP meets SP

4<sup>th</sup> Area Cafod meeting SP

6<sup>th</sup> Lent Fast Day – *Frugal Lunch SP*

8<sup>th</sup> **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

SVP meets OL

12<sup>th</sup> Deanery Day of Recollection OL

14<sup>th</sup> Family Masses

15<sup>th</sup> **St Patrick's Day** Mass, 7.00pm

17<sup>th</sup> Start of Polish Retreat Time

#### April

5<sup>th</sup> **Palm Sunday** and start of Holy Week

12<sup>th</sup> **Easter**