

# THE BEACON

Parish Priest: Fr Alban Greenwood The Presbytery, King Street, WELLINGTON, TF1 3AP

Telephone: 01952 – 242423 web: www.stpatrickstelford.com & www.our-lady-telford.co.uk e-mail: ccntelford@gmail.com

also Fr Michał Łatuszyński, (Polish Community)
11 Harvington Close, Wellington, TF1 3EX
Tel: 07926 044405 e-mail: stafford@pcmew.org
Safeguarding: Moira Shrimpton 07540 723614



# 21 AUGUST 2022

#### THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat	20th	18:15	Charles Ebele 14 <sup>th</sup> Annivesary	St Patrick's
Sun	21st	08:45	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
The 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time		09:00	Sean Gaughan	Our Lady's
		11:00	Peter Perks RIP	St Patrick's
		12:30	Baptism – Sergio Nunes	St Patrick's
Mon	22nd	The Qu	reenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Mass today	
Tue	23rd	St Rose	e of Lima, Virgin No Mass today	
Wed	24th	St Bart	holomew, Apostle  No Mass today	
Thur	25th	St Thomas of Hereford, Bishop  No Mass today		
Fri	26th	Ferial	No Mass today	
Sat	27th	<b>St Mon</b> 13:00		St Patrick's
Sat	27th	18:15	Nula Hough	St Patrick's
Sun	28th	08:45	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
The 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time		09:00	Father Joseph Donlan	Our Lady's
		11:00	Rob Adams	St Patrick's

# **CONFESSIONS**

Heard by Appointment

# **DATA PROTECTION PRIVACY NOTICE**

Our two parishes sometimes collect personal information about parishioners. All personal information is collected, processed and stored in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. This is retained only as necessary and used by the Parish/Diocese for the benefit of the Parish and for legitimate reasons such as administrative and religious purposes. You can read our full privacy notice at <a href="https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice">www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice</a>

The Diocese of Shrewsbury is a Registered Charity (No.234025)

#### LET US KNOW YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

We use e-mail addresses to keep in touch with parishioners and to circulate the Newsletter. If you are not yet receiving parish updates let us know your email address and you too can be included. Send an email to <a href="mailto:ccntelford@gmail.com">ccntelford@gmail.com</a> and we shall keep you abreast of the latest news and updates in the comfort of your own home.

#### 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING Isaiah 66: 18-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord. **R/ Thanks be to God.** 

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 116

Response: Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News

- O praise the Lord, all you nations, Acclaim him all you peoples! R/
- Strong is his love for us: he is faithful for ever. R/

**SECOND READING** Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God

ALLELUIA VERSE
Alleluia, alleluia!
If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Luke 13: 22-30

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, "Sir, will there be only a few saved?" He said to them, "Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

"Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' but he will answer, 'I do not know where you come from.' Then you will find yourself saying, 'We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets,' but he will reply, 'I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!'

"Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

"Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord

R/ Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

### PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

Your prayers are asked for the sick and the housebound and all those who are in hospital, the Hospice or local nursing and care homes. We remember especially the doctors, nurses and all medical staff at our hospitals; also all the staff at our local nursing and care homes and parishioners shielding or self-isolating at home at this time.

Please continue to keep in prayer **Fr Anthony Wild**, **Fr Alban** and all who are unwell at home.

We remember in prayer all who have died, especially **Fr Greg Downing**, **David Woodier**, **Brian Needham** (Funeral Service at St Mary's, Madeley on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 12noon), and **Raymond Shilleto**, and all who are mourning the death of a loved one, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

# THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

For August, Pope Francis asks us all to keep in our prayers the following intention:

### For Small Businesses:

We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

# PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit may comfort them.

We pray for those with power over peace and war, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all we pray for the precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold them and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

# **WORLD FOOD CRISIS**

You will no doubt have heard on the news about the World Food Crisis. In Kenya, Ethiopia, and South Sudan, up to 20 million people are fighting for their very survival. CAFOD's local Church aid workers are already on the front line of the food crisis in the Horn of Africa region, getting emergency food supplies and clean water to vulnerable families in need. You can donate to the World Food Crisis online at:

https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergenciesnews/Worldfood-crisis

#### **TELFORD FOOD BANK**

Collection boxes are available in both churches for parishioners to leave goods for the Food bank and Baby bank. Thank you for your donations.

# **COVID RESTRICTIONS UPDATE**

Face coverings are no longer required in our churches but there is a supply of masks available if you choose to use one.

Please continue to sanitise your hands on entry.

The sign of peace will continue to be 'contactless' until everyone is happy to shake hands.

# **MONEY MATTERS**

Last Sunday's Offertory Collections: St Patrick's: £ 1094.50 Our Lady's: £ 394.00

Many thanks for your continued generosity.

If you would like to make a regular contribution by standing order please contact the office for a form.

# **RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE OF LOURDES:**

Not everyone is able to travel to Lourdes but In September and October of this year, the relics of St. Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland and Wales, for the first time.

An opportunity for prayer, reflection and spiritual renewal. A once in a lifetime opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them.

They will be at our Cathedral in Shrewsbury on 13<sup>th</sup> September from 1.00pm and leaving on 14<sup>th</sup> September at 9.00am. To attend you must register at Stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/.

# **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

We plan to recommence Children's liturgy from September. In order to do this, we need a team of catechists to cover the Masses.

You do not need any qualification to undertake this Ministry. All help will be given from our experienced catechists. All you need is the desire to spread the Word to the children of our Parishes and help them to better understand the Gospel.

Children's Liturgy is held during the Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Masses during term-time. The children go out into the Meeting Room to pray, hear and reflect on the Gospel and take part in related activities, crafts etc. They rejoin the congregation at the Offertory. Any young children at Mass can come into the sessions (with an accompanying adult, if very young).

New adult helpers are always welcome: helpers have occasional planning meetings and are required to undertake a DBS check and provide 2 references.

Contact Moira in the Parish Office on 01952 242423 or email <a href="mailto:ccntelford@gmail.com">ccntelford@gmail.com</a>

#### **COVER FOR ILLNESS**

Father Alban will be away from the parish for a further couple of weeks to convalesce.

This weekend we welcome clergy from the Cathedral at our Sunday Masses.

Please note, there will be no weekday Masses between 22<sup>nd</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

There will be Masses most days in the Good Shepherd Parish as seen in their newsletter which you can access at <a href="https://www.goodshepherd.org.uk">www.goodshepherd.org.uk</a>. Click on the Announcements tab.

Father Joe will be taking a well-earned break after Saturday's Mass. We wish him Bon Voyage.

If you need a Catholic priest during the week please try the office first and leave a message on the answerphone. If the need is urgent please contact Father Michael Hartley at Good Shepherd Parish - 586118

The Princess Royal Hospital has a rota for Catholic Chaplaincy so please ask the person in charge to contact a priest via the switchboard if you need an inpatient visit.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

It is the time again to prepare new rotas for our various ministries. We need more readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar servers, offertory collectors and cleaning teams.

We also need welcomers for our weekend Masses and helpers and someone to manage the repository stall at St Patrick's.

Please let Moira know if you can help with any of the above or add your name to the list in the porch. Altar server training will take place in September.

# **OUR LADY'S SVP RAFFLE TICKETS**

Thanks to everyone who took raffle tickets. Please return the stubs, money and any unsold tickets in the envelope provided by next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> August. The envelopes can be placed in the SVP black box in the entrance porch or handed to any SVP member.

# ST PATRICK'S SVP

St Patrick's SVP will meet at 7pm on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 6<sup>th</sup> September, 20<sup>th</sup> September and 4<sup>th</sup> October.

New members are always welcome.

# **PARKING**

In the past few weeks there has been an increase in patrols around St Patrick's at Mass time on Sunday mornings. Please make sure you are legally parked, so you don't incur a charge. If the car park and lay-by are full, please park in the Wellington Train Station carpark.

#### **EXAM RESULTS**

GCSE results will be received this Thursday. We hope that they reflect the work put in.

Please keep those expecting results in your prayers.

# SINGING AT ST PATRICKS - GREAT NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES!

Ros Hargrave, who has led the choir for many years, is ready to restart rehearsals - the choir meet on Wednesdays at 7.30 - 9.00 pm in church. They sing at the 11.00am Mass once a month, and at Christmas and Easter - first rehearsal is 21st September. Speak to Ros for more details.

Family Mass weekend singers - we are starting rehearsals on Tuesday 30th August 7.00 - 9.00pm in church, (These will be fortnightly, so the next dates are 13th & 27th September ready for Family Mass weekend 1st/ 2nd October 6.15pm & 11.00am) Speak to MaryJo, Anna or Theresa for more details.

Everyone is welcome to either or both groups – Singing in church is like praying twice!

# MISSIO RED BOXES

If you have a red box which requires emptying or wish to have a red box at home, please contact Andrea or Mick Lort via the parish office. The boxes can be left at church or can be collected from you at home.

Understandably, donations have decreased over the last couple of years but, thank you so much to all those who have supported them for so many years and those who still feel able to support the wonderful work of the missions.

# THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Every time we think we know the mind of God, we are confounded. God acts in ways which we cannot understand because, unlike God, we are predictable. The kingdom of God, says Jesus, will be full of people that we wouldn't expect to see there. But by the same token some people who would feel almost certain of their place may have a surprise when they knock at the door!

