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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, it states "If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is there are many parts, yet one body" (1 COR 12:18-20).

What does this teach us as Christian stewards? It shows us that we all have equal dignity and worth in God's sight, and that if God sees us as equally precious, we should view each other in this same light. It teaches us to humbly recognize our own gifts as well as the giftedness of every member of our parish family. And, while God designed us to be ultimately dependent on Him, it seems He has also designed us to need each other!

This is part of the beauty and richness of a stewardship way of life. No one person can "do it all" in life — whether in family life or parish life. But God does not ask us to do it all. He simply asks us to share the gifts and talents we do have in the season of life we find ourselves right now.

Taken from The Catholic Steward.com

Weekday Masses are celebrated in Maryfield Convent Chapel

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27 January

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This text is being fulfilled today.

Sat 26	6:00 pm	Marion Flaherty RIP
Sun 27	10:00 am	People of the Parish
Mon 28	<i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	
	10:00 am	- Mass
Tues 29	<i>Feria</i>	
	10:00 am	- Mass
Wed 30	<i>Feria</i>	
	10:00 am	- Mass
Thur 31	<i>St John Bosco</i>	
	10:00 am	- Mass
Fri 1	<i>Feria</i>	
	10:00 am	Blessing on the family of Ellen Hill
Sat 2	<i>THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</i>	
	10:00 am	- Mass

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3 February

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Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus is not sent to the Jews only.

Sat 2	6:00 pm	Terry O'Malley RIP
Sun 3	10:00 am	People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in Your safekeeping as we remember:

Mary O'Driscoll, Sean Dillow, Helena Allen,
Jean Williams, Yvonne Beaumont, Debbie Cavedon,
June Walsh, Margaret Sauce & Charles Paice

REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of **Mary O'Driscoll RIP** who died.

Her funeral is on Tuesday 12th February at 11 am in St Joseph's Church, Basingstoke.

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.



NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 70: 1-6, 15, 17 response v 15

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 31-13:13

Gospel: Luke 4: 24-30

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Praying the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is a glorious way to enter into the abundant Mercy of God. Please join us on Friday afternoons from 2:30—3:00 in the Church.

To pray for the Mercy of God on us and on the whole world.

CAFOD

You are invited to a CAFOD meeting on Saturday 23rd February at St Bede's Church Popley Way Basingstoke RG24 9DX from 10:30am to 1pm. At this meeting Helen Lavaud CAFOD's HR adviser will be talking about her recent visit to CAFOD's Projects in the Eastern Congo and how CAFOD's partners are caring for child soldiers. There will also be an opportunity to explore the resources for Lent fast day on 15th March. Everyone is welcome so please book your place by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call 01252 329385

OBLIGATORY COLLECTION FOR THE CATHEDRAL

This is taken at all Masses this weekend. Envelopes are available at all Masses for those who do not have gift aided planned giving envelopes for second collections.

This collection is the only support our Cathedral receives from the wider Diocesan family.

Please give generously, gift aiding your donation wherever possible.

SALT AND GRIT BIN

Just a reminder that there is a salt and grit bin by the side of the disabled parking bays, for use when the car park area is icy.



THE SACRISTY

Is a place of prayer and contemplation and should be an oasis of calm, before and after Mass. The Priest and Servers need time and space in order to prepare themselves for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please respect this and refrain from visiting the Sacristy in the last 15 mins before Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SACRED HEART

The Filipino choir will be celebrating Mass with us on Sunday 3rd February.

Valentina from the Verbum Dei community is coming back to lead another day of prayer soon. This will take place just before the beginning of Lent on Saturday 2nd March from 2-5 pm. It will follow a similar format to the Advent afternoon of reflection that Valentina led for us. There will be an introductory talk on Lent/The Lenten season and then some practical tips on prayer, some quiet time and some sharing. While we explored Lectio Divina last time, this time Valentine will introduce us to a different form of prayer: Ignatian (or imaginative) contemplation. The afternoon will finish with sharing some food and there will also be a creche provided.

We are also delighted to welcome Sr. Hyacinthe from the Dominican Sisters of Sway, New Forest, to our parish over a 5 week period, also during the Lenten season. These 5 sessions will be held weekly, on a Tuesday evening in the church from 7.30-9pm, the first beginning on 12th March. The sessions are entitled, 'Essential Training for Catechists', but, once again, I would like to invite anyone to those sessions who wants to know more about the treasure of their faith and who would like to be equipped with 'tools' to help share their faith. Please see the flyer that Sr. Hyacinthe has prepared for us in the porch. Please note that these sessions need to be booked, please let Jan in the office know if you would like to book a place.

RCIA—JOURNEY IN FAITH

The next meeting is on **Thursday 7th February** at 7:30pm in the Hall. The title of this session is "Life of Prayer/Lord's Prayer" All are welcome.

27th January is Holocaust Memorial Day.

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) takes place on 27th January each year and is a time to remember the millions of people murdered during the Holocaust, under Nazi Persecution and in the genocides which followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. HMD 2019 will include marking the 25th anniversary of the Genocide in Rwanda, which began in April 1994 and the 40th anniversary of the end of the Genocide in Cambodia, which ended in 1979.

"I didn't feel like I had a home after the genocide because everything was destroyed. I had no home at all. I had nothing." Marie Chantal Uwamahoro, survivor of the Genocide in Rwanda

Holocaust Memorial Day is a time when we seek to learn the lessons of the past and recognise that genocide does not just take place on its own - it's a steady process which can begin if discrimination, racism and hatred are not checked and prevented. We're fortunate here in the UK; we are not at immediate risk of genocide. However, discrimination has not ended, nor has the use of the language of hatred or exclusion. There is still much to do to create a safer future and HMD is an opportunity to start this process. ***There are some amazing resources, interviews and information on the HMD website: www.hmd.org.uk***