

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

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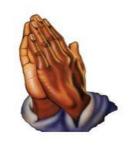
### Sunday 24<sup>h</sup> January 2021

	Mass In	tentions for this coming week	**
	Saturday 6pm		
J	Sunday 9.30 am Sunday 11 am	SUNDAY 24 <sup>th</sup> JANUARY SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (POPE FRANCIS 2019)	CHURCH
A	Monday 10.00 am		CLOSED
N	Tuesday		UNTIL
U	Wednesday		FURTHER
А	Thursday		NOTICE
R	Friday 10.00 am		DUE
Y	Saturday 6pm		то
2021	Sunday 9.30 am Sunday 11 am	SUNDAY 31 <sup>ST</sup> JANUARY DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE	ILLNESS

### Parishioners who need our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick at home or in hospital, including:

- **Dorothy Barber** Frances Wright Pat Cummins Pat Matthews Tony McDevitt Dorothy Robinson Judy Howard Maureen Grace Maureen Adams Pat Hemmington
- Patricia Davies **Rosemary Southwell** Sarah Alouane Brian Byrne Ted Henesy Sheila Burrell John Swann Joyce & Maurice McAsey Bill Williams aka Mon Uncle Barbara Evans



Please do get in touch via the parish office e-mail if you want anyone adding or removing from the prayer list or you have a Mass intention.

# TIMETABLE OF ACTIVITIES WITH DEACON JIM AND FRIENDS

Daily Rosary at 9.00 am apart from Sunday	To join in please download <b>Zoom.us</b> either as an "app" on your phone or tablet or download from the <b>Zoom.us</b> website to your laptop. It is free and simple registration with your email and a password. When you have Zoom then type in or click the link below; <u>https://zoom.us/j/252387114</u> password: <u>AveMaria</u>	and a second and a second a se
Come Sing and Pray Thursday 8pm	<b>'Come Sing and Pray'</b> evening. This will be available at the same Zoom address and will be an opportunity on these darker nights to sing along a few hymns, join in prayer and reflection and enjoy the company of fellow Christians.	SING AND PRAY
Bible study Wednesday 4.30 pm	This Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January at 4.30pm. We will discuss the gospel reading for the following <i>Sunday</i> 31 <sup>st</sup> January, <i>Mark</i> 1: 21-28. It will be the 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time and "Day of Special Prayer for Racial Justice". Access as usual on Zoom or 07746743921 for audio only.	StColy Szible
Divine Mercy Friday 3 pm	If you would like to join in with reciting the <b>Divine Mercy</b> <b>Chaplet at 3pm</b> each Friday you are most welcome. Please use the same Zoom login details as for Rosary.	
Coffee Morning Saturday 10 am	Come and join in St Winefride's coffee morning. 10.00am Saturdays at the usual Zoom address or by phone.	coffee break



A big thank you. I have not had an opportunity to say thank you to those who work very closely with me, in particular Deacons Mike and Jim and Sister Laurice. More especially, thank you to Jayne for keeping us all up and running. Can I also say thank you to John Kane and Mike Byrne for the hours of work they have put in to enable our church to open last year. John, is also looking after health and safety and works very closely with the Diocese. Mike very much supporting John and looking after the streaming and organising the Steward rotas. Thank you Stewards for volunteering your time.

Can I personally thank all those who sent me cards and gifts during this time of illness. My prayer as always will be for you and your families. Thanks again.

LIVE STREAMING - Please note that camera images and sound of services are now transmitted on the internet but not recorded. This is to help us share our faith with others who are unable to attend in person. If you have any concerns about the use of live streaming during a service or mass, then please speak to Fr Paul or Deacon Jim.

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Fr Paul.

### LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

# St Winefride's Parish Church - www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk

- Walsingham: walsingham.org.uk
- St. Anthony's, Wythenshawe: churchservices.tv/stanthonyswythenshawe
- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org

# https://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral

All times and details of other services available search Church Services TV on Google <u>ChurchServices.tv live mass and services from Churches in the UK and Ireland</u>

# You can also access what the pope has to say each day be heading to

# https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html

Deacon Jim has asked me to give you details of other churches which are also

close by or maybe closer to you than St Winefride's depending on where you live.

# Our Lady and St Johns Heswall see their website for Mass times <u>http://ourladyandstjohn.org.uk/</u>

Note on OLSJ website. - Please be reminded that in these difficult times there is no duty to come to church, and no obligation to attend Mass on Sunday. Currently infection rates on the Wirral/Cheshire are at their highest levels ever. The government has issued advice for those who are Clinically Extremely Vulnerable, summarised below:

The new national lockdown guidance, which applies to everyone, means that you must not leave or be outside of your home and garden, except for limited purposes which are set out in that guidance. We are advising clinically extremely vulnerable people to stay at home as much as possible. You can still go outside for exercise or to attend health appointments, but try to keep all contact with others outside of your household to a minimum, and avoid busy areas. You may receive further advice from your medical professionals.

# Roman Catholic Churches of Hooton and Ellesmere Port (rcchep.co.uk)

The RCCHEP web link above is for Mass times at Hooton, St Saviours and Our Lady Star of the Sea.

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD The Pontifical Council for New Evangelisation has provided liturgical-pastoral resources for Sunday 24th January which can be found at: <u>www.c-b-f.org</u>

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY Information for Sunday 31st January can be found on the Bishops Conference website at: Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales (cbcew.org.uk)



# Prayer Resource for January: month of the Holy Name

'At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.' Philippians 2:10-11

# Prayer: taken from the Roman Missal

O God, who founded the salvation of the human race on the Incarnation of your Word, give your peoples the mercy they implore, so that all may know there is no other name to be invoked but the Name of your Only Begotten Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# Prayer of Saint Alphonsus:

O my Jesus, thou art the Saviour who hast given Thy blood and Thy life for me, I pray Thee to write Thy adorable name on my poor heart; so that having it always imprinted in my heart by love, I may also have it ever on my lips, by invoking it in all my necessities. If the devil tempts me, Thy name will give me strength to resist him; if I lose confidence, Thy name will animate me to hope; if I lose confidence, Thy name will animate me to hope; if I am in affliction, Thy name will comfort me, by reminding me of all Thou hast endured for me. If I find myself cold in Thy love, Thy name will inflame me by reminding me of the love Thou hast shown me. I have fallen into so many sins, because I did not call on Thee; from henceforth Thy name shall be my defence, my refuge, my hope, my only consolation, my only love. Thus do I hope to live, and so do I hope to die, having Thy name always on my lips. Amen

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# A Short Litany:

Jesus, hear us. Jesus, graciously hear us. God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us. God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us. God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us. Jesus, Son of the living God, have mercy on us. Jesus, Splendour of the Father. have mercy on us. Jesus. Brightness of eternal Light. have mercy on us. Jesus, King of Glory, have mercy on us. Jesus, Sun of Justice, have mercy on us. Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary, have mercy on us. Jesus, most powerful, have mercy on us. Jesus, most patient, have mercy on us. Jesus, most obedient, have mercy on us. Jesus, meek and humble of heart, have mercy on us. Jesus, God of Peace, have mercy on us. Jesus, Author of Life, have mercy on us. Jesus, Model of Virtues, have mercy on us. Jesus, zealous for souls, have mercy on us. Jesus, our Refuge, have mercy on us. Jesus, Father of the Poor, have mercy on us. Jesus, good Shepherd, have mercy on us. Jesus, true Light, have mercy on us. Jesus, eternal Wisdom, have mercy on us. Jesus, infinite Goodness, have mercy on us. Jesus, our Way, our Truth and our Life, have mercy on us. Jesus, King of the Patriarchs, have mercy on us. Jesus, Master of the Apostles, have mercy on us. Jesus, Teacher of the Evangelists, have mercy on us. Jesus, Strength of Martyrs, have mercy on us. Be merciful, graciously hear us, O Jesus! Jesus, hear us. Jesus, graciously hear us.



More prayer resources are available here: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org



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**Prayer Resource** 



**Prayer:** from the Roman Missal

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that by Saint Joseph's your intercession Church may constantly watch over the of unfolding the mysteries of human salvation, whose

beginnings you entrusted to his faithful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who Head of the Holy Family, pray for us. lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

# Ancient Prayer to Saint Joseph:

Oh Saint Joseph whose protection is so strong, so great, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain from your Divine Son for me all spiritual blessings through Christ Our Lord, so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers. Oh Saint Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name, and kiss His fine head for me and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. Saint Joseph, Patron of grant... To other saints the Lord seems to have given departing souls, pray for me. Amen.

# Short Litany of Saint Joseph:

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us. God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us. God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, pray for us. Saint Joseph, pray for us. Noble scion of David, have mercy on us. Light of the Patriarchs, pray for us. Spouse of the Mother of God, pray for us. Chaste Guardian of the Virgin, pray for us. Foster-father of the Son of God, pray for us. Sedulous Defender of Christ, pray for us. Joseph most just, pray for us. Joseph most chaste, pray for us. Joseph most prudent, pray for us. Joseph most valiant, pray for us. Joseph most obedient, pray for us. Joseph most faithful, pray for us. Mirror of patience, pray for us. Lover of poverty, pray for us. Model of all who labour, pray for us. Glory of family life, pray for us. Protector of virgins, pray for us. Pillar of family life, pray for us. Consolation of the afflicted, pray for us. Hope of the sick, pray for us. Patron of the dying, pray for us. Terror of demons, pray for us. Protector of the Holy Church, pray for us.

"I do not remember even now that I have ever asked anything of Saint Joseph which he has failed to grace to succour us in some of our necessities, but of this glorious saint my experience is that he succours us in them all ... " Saint Theresa of Avila



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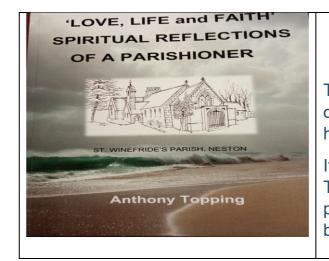
If you know someone who does not have access to the internet and would like a copy of the newsletter, then please contact me on the parish office e-mail. I am working from home, but will be popping in at some point to print items etc. Posted newsletters, will arrive a little later.

Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News - Visit the parish website for information and live stream.

www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Mass intentions, which have had to be moved as church is closed are listed below. Once church is open again, I will make sure they are put back in the diary.

\*\* Thomas Smith, Larry Duggan, Pat Hemington, Patricia Brown, Monica and Frank McVey, Barbara Evans, Doris Gillies, Sheila Trimmer Dot and Jess Jones, Fr Chris, Diana Phillips, Ruth Doyle Bridget, Ernan, Michael, Bill, Geoff and Grandad Bertie Moira Griffiths-Parr, The Radburn family in Tasmania Late Grandfather Thomas Welham, via Stella Maris \*\*



# Spiritual Reflections of a Parishioner

Tony's son has organised for all of Tony's reflections over the years to be put together in a book. The book has now been published and are now available to buy.

If you would like a copy then please contact the office. The books are £7.50 each. Cheques to be made payable to Winefride's Parish Church or you can pay by cash.

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Please do let me know any news you may have, with most of us working from home and not meeting up, any news is lovely to hear. A birthday, anniversary, new member to the family, baby or

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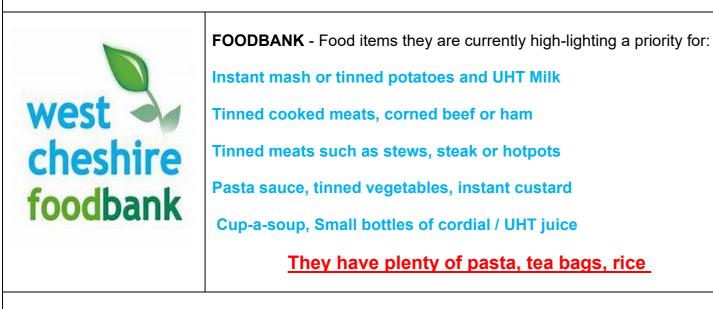
ONCE CHURCH REOPENS, I WILL UPDATE YOU ON WHEN THE FOODBANK TEAM WILL START THEIR COLLECTIONS. IN THE MEANTIME YOU ARE CAN DONATE ITEMS IN SAINSBURYS NESTON WHEN YOU ARE SHOPPING, DON'T MAKE A SPECIAL JOURNEY.

> AS THE GOVERNMENT ARE WANTING US TO STAY AT HOME, THERE ARE OTHER WAYS YOU CAN DONATE.

ONLINE, VIA TEXT, BANK TRANSFER AND ALSO BY CHEQUE.

THE LINK BELOW GIVES YOU MUCH MORE INFORMATION, SHOULD YOU WISH TO HELP.

https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/



Foodbank try to keep the "Most Needed Items" list on their website as up to date as possible so that you can consider including them. https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donatefood

The contact number for the Food Bank in Dutton Green, Chester is 0151 355 7730. The office and warehouse are open Monday to Friday, 9.00am – 2.00pm



Bale of hay is still available. Do let me know if you think it will be of use to someone with a rabbit perhaps or guinea pig or horse? Only asking for a donation.

Jayne – Parish office



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News wise - Neston Community Youth Centre on Burton Road is advertising a need for volunteers to organise the administration of the vaccine; anyone interested can contact them by phone or following the link below. The contact number - 0151 336 7805.

**VACINNATIONS** - The first members of the clergy have now received the Covid-19 vaccination according to the roll out of the national programme. Earlier this month Pope Francis and Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI received the first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine. I am sure their example will be a source of encouragement to many. Update from Bishop Mark

### https://www.nestoncyc.org.uk/post/help-with-vaccine



New members of our daily Zoom rosary group would be especially welcome; the consistency of our daily meeting and contact with our Mother Mary has brought joy and a stronger faith for everyone in the group as well as a real fellowship at a time when distance and separation are key words.

For those among us who are unsure as to whether or not the Rosary is for them, I would say that a free trial would clarify this and may well surprise you!!! Ring Deacon Jim if unable to use the internet or tap in 252387114 and password AveMaria to join, once or more often, no hard and fast rules!

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Dear St Joseph
You have shown love and care to the Son of God,
You looked after his mother Mary,
You worked hard for your family,
You led your family to safety,
You never questioned the will of God,
You dedicated your life to the service of God.
ay we also show our dedication to the God's Son. May we honour Mary, our
Holy Mother, may we work hard for our families and communities and may we
trive for justice and peace as Kingdom builders in this world.
In Jesus' name. Amen.

# **#NeverMoreNeeded**

### **Covid-19 Vaccine Text Scam Alert**

We have been informed by the Neighbourhood Watch Network about a highly believable scam which starts with a text and advises the user that they are eligible to apply for the vaccine and to click on the link in the text message. The user is then led to a webpage, which looks very convincing and asks them to complete some details. in order for them to be able to apply for vaccine. the

The details asked for:

Name / Address / Date of birth / Proof of address / Card payment details

With the recent approval of multiple vaccines in the UK, these types of scam attempts are likely to continue, as fraudsters continue to take advantage of the rollout to some many people.

For more information please see the article on the Ourwatch website: https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/news/faketext-identifying-you-eligible-covid-19-vaccine



Neston & District Churches Together was formed to help the many Christian communities in Neston area to work more closely together. It might otherwise go unnoticed that there are so many active Churches in the district committed to Christian worship.

The purpose of the Group is to promote awareness of all the local Churches and help organise ecumenical events each year. These include a service as part of Christian Unity Week in January.

The NDCT Unity service this year was due to be from Christ Church, Willaston but will be held online via Zoom this **Sunday 24th Jan at 6:30pm**, followed by the AGM. It should work if you just press CTRL and click on the link that says "UNITY SERVICE".

### Join Zoom Meeting UNITY SERVICE Meeting ID: 815 5739 9706 and Passcode: 242212

January 18th to 25th is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity where in the past we have been able to meet, worship and pray together, this year we will meet online. If you missed URC Parkgate and Neston last night. Then St Mary and St Helen, Neston have parish prayers this evening at 5pm.

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Weekly Parish Prayers from Ss Mary and Helen.

Join Zoom Meeting at 5.00pm sharp (come early) Parish Praver Meeting ID: 884 8818 4705 Password: neston

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast, 8.30am stay at home and pray for someone you know who is struggling at this time.



# "Online giving to the Parish"

For those Parishioners who normally give in the collection at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page, to allow you to donate to the Parish, has been added to the Parish website. There is a new Online Donation button on the home page of our website. By clicking on it, it will take you to the Online Donation website run by InvestMyCommunity.

### https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/StWinefrideNeston2218

**Offertory envelopes** - They can be posted through the Presbytery door to church if you are coming up to visit the graveyard. Alternatively, just keep at home and bring into church once it re-opens.

Standing order – If you would like to start making your weekly or monthly donation to the parish via standing order, then please contact Jayne in the office. She can then either provide you with the relevant bank details or a form to complete. Alternatively, you can contact Mike Russell at the curial office 0151652 9855 or via e-mail at Mike.Russell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

**Gift aid** – Again, if you are a tax payer and would like to gift aid your contribution, then please let myself or Mike Russell know and we can arrange to do this by completion of a form.

### A big THANK YOU to all those parishioners who continue to pay by standing order or those who are posting their offertory envelopes through the door.

Also a thank you also to those parishioners who have been giving via the Giving Page. I have just had confirmation that in December we received £320 and £135 in January via the Giving page.

THANK YOU

### **Covid-19 Protection - Keeping the Message Simple**

When church is reopened, it is important that we fall in line with and act to the spirit of current government guidelines. Our primary objective as upholders of safety procedures is to minimise the potential of infection as far as is reasonably practicable. To this end we will be enforcing procedures (outlined below), these are copied directly from the government website, to which we receive daily updates.

Where possible, there will be a number of masses per week. Midweek masses are guieter and may be an acceptable alternative for you to attend.

All masses will go ahead only if there are sufficient stewards available to carry out all of the duties required of them. There may be occasions that Mass (or other service) may have to be cancelled at short notice due to lack of availability of stewards. Although disappointing we have to face the possibility of this happening.

It is expected that, should you feel unwell for any reason, that you stay away from church until you are fully recovered.

Please remember that if you are unable to come to Mass, there are a number of online Masses which you can follow, please see the church website for some examples.

Regarding face coverings;

### Please make sure your face covering covers all of your nose and mouth at all times

If you are exempt from wearing one, you will still be expected to wear a face visor. In this case you will be placed in the transept and a socially distance of 2m will be maintained at all times, including when you go for communion or queue for any reason. There are floor markers spaced at 1m so please allow 2 markers when queuing.

### Definitions from the Government website

Time updated:2:20pm, 11 January 2021

Where possible, when visiting a place of worship you should stay local and avoid travelling outside your local area, meaning your village or town, or part of a city.

### **Face Coverings**

In England, face coverings are required by law to be worn in places of worship.

There are valid exemptions for some individuals and groups to not wear a face covering in these settings. In particular, those who are leading permitted services or events in a place of worship, and those who assist them.

### Face visors or shields

A face visor or shield may be worn in addition to a face covering but not instead of one. This is because face visors or shields do not adequately cover the nose and mouth.

### When you do not need to wear a face covering

In settings where face coverings are required in England there are some circumstances where people may not be able to wear a face covering.

Please be mindful and respectful of such circumstances. Some people are less able to wear face coverings, and the reasons for this may not be visible to others.

This includes (but is not limited to):

- children under the age of 11 (Public Health England does not recommend face coverings for children under the age of 3 for health and safety reasons)
- people who cannot put on, wear or remove a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or impairment, or disability
- where putting on, wearing or removing a face covering will cause you severe distress
- if you are speaking to or providing assistance to someone who relies on lip reading, clear sound or facial expressions to communicate
- to avoid harm or injury, or the risk of harm or injury, to yourself or others including if it would negatively impact on your ability to exercise or participate in a strenuous activity
- police officers and other emergency workers, given that this may interfere with their ability to serve the public

### Social distancing

Social distancing measures are actions to reduce social interaction between people in order to minimise the opportunity for transmission of COVID-19.

All venue managers and all visitors to a place of worship must follow the law and should follow the guidance on social distancing including:

- adhering to social distancing, meaning people should be 2 metres apart or more than 1 metre apart as well as taking extra steps to stay safe (such as wearing face coverings) to reduce the risk of transmission
- for frequently used places, mark areas using floor tape or paint to help people maintain social distance
- visitors must not mingle with anyone outside of their household or support bubble when attending a place of worship

# From Reuben Purchase, Diocesan Mission Catechist

IF NOT NOW, WHEN? It's Sunday of the Word of God. I've a suggestion – why not sign up to with our own home-grown Mission for Catechesis, to study the Word of **God** more deeply via our world-class library of formation resources.

Register with our Catechetical partners at franciscanathome.com/shrewsbury. It's available to everyone! You can use as much or as little of the library of several hundred online workshops as you see fit - either alone, and ad hoc, or as part of a tailored track for your parish team. If you want to help us with the Mission's vision to form a new generation of evangelists, you could become a mentored student on the Diocesan Certification programme.

Your Diocesan mentor is available to help implement all options for the formation of minsters and catechists alike. You can contact him anytime at reuben.purchase@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Be the change you want to see!

Please follow the Mission on our new website - www.weareallcatechists.com And follow us on social media –

https://www.facebook.com/weareallcatechists

http://www.instagram.com/weareallcatechists

http://www.twitter.com/allcatechists

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgLVgfUIN3HarGh2AP803qA



Today we hear about how Jesus called his disciples to follow him. They left what they were doing and went with him straight away. Let's think a bit about how we can follow Jesus in our lives.

Christ Jesus, you call us all to follow you. Help us to answer that call and live our lives as you have asked us to. Amen.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Gospel: Mark 1:14-20



