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Ordinary Time VII

24 February 2019

23 Feb	SATURDAY	7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30pm	Thanksgiving Tiegan and Clare		
24 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Margaret & Geoff Davies Kenneth & Elizabeth Rodrigues Parish family		
25 Feb	MONDAY		10.00 am	Pat Dobby		
26 Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Sister Anthony		
27 Feb	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of word and Eucharist		
28 Feb	THURSDAY		11.00 am	Funeral service for John Allan Paton		
1 Mar	FRIDAY	St David	11.00 am	Funeral mass for Marian Morris		
2 Mar	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Christina Bickerstaff		
2 Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Odillia Beardsworth		
3 Mar	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Beryl Messenger SVP members and families – Thank you Parish family		
Weekdays: Adoration morning prayer from 9.00am; then Mass at 10.00am Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30am and 5.45-6.10pm						
23 Feb / 24 Feb						
			6.30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	
Readers – Readings	P Flanagan	T McGlynn	Jones family	A Flanagan	R Pisarek	V Casey
Readers - Intercessions	D Davies	M Corcoran	J Braidwood	K Powell	Larty Family	M Unsworth
EMHC	J Gordon C Haimes	K Garrod K Hughes	M Slater J Tunstall G Barber D Barber	M Branch M Green	M Davies S ETTY	D Pover, K Holden, T Topping J Tunstall
Counters	Marie Branch and Wyn Penfold			Kevin Garrod & Roy Howard		
Cleaners	W Morgan & A-M McLean			Brian and Veronica Casey		
REGULAR ACTIVITIES						
Mon: SVP 7pm in presbytery; Wed: Choir 7-8pm; Thur: Communion Visits; Sun: YSVP 10am in hall 2nd Thurs of month: SPUC 10.45 am in hall; 3rd Thur of month: CWL 7.30pm in hall Last Sunday's Offering: Thanks for your support!						

Fr Paul writes: We have received a lovely thank you message from Bob & Beryl Hitchin following their visit last Friday for the anniversary of Teresa Higginson. We would also like to thank them for their kind donation.

Please remember in your prayers the families of John Paton and Marian Morris whose funerals will take place next week and Cynthia Wainwright whose funeral is the 5th March.

This Thursday, 28th February at 7.00pm there will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Group in the Presbytery and on Monday 4th March at 12.30pm there will be a parish meeting which is generally for our senior members of the parish with a re-run of the meeting in the church that evening at 7pm for the rest of the parish family.

Fr Paul writes: As you well know Pope Francis has called together all the episcopal conferences of the catholic world, first to listen to those survivors of abuse, reflect upon them and offer concrete guidelines for the bishops of the world. Today we have a letter from Cardinal Vincent Nichols and is below for you to read. Please keep him in your prayers.

19th February 2019

Tomorrow, Wednesday, I travel to Rome to take part in the meeting called by Pope Francis to address the protection of minors within the Catholic Church worldwide in the light of the abuse suffered by them within the communities of the Church. I write to ask for your prayers and those of your people, for the positive outcome of this meeting and for all survivors of such abuse who will find these days particularly difficult as so much public attention is given to this reality.

The broad themes of the meeting are those of responsibility - knowing what is to be done; accountability - the ways in which we are responsible to each other; and transparency – the determination that there are no hiding places in these matters. These are the virtues, the qualities of our life together, that need to be renewed and strengthened.

An excellent website provides detailed information about this event: www.pbc2019.org. On Saturday evening there will be a Penitential Liturgy. I ask that at Mass on Saturday evening, you add a prayer or a comment uniting your parish to Pope Francis and all taking part in that liturgy so that together we ask the Lord's pardon for our failings. On Sunday morning, at 8.30 UK time, we will gather in Rome for the celebration of Holy Mass, seeking the Lord's blessings on the work accomplished and for the challenges ahead. Please do unite your parish celebration of Mass with this intention. I am sure you will know the best ways in which to respond to these requests.

Finally, at a very personal level, please do keep me in your own prayers. These will be difficult and painful days and I need your prayers.

With my best wishes and prayers,

Yours devotedly,

Cardinal Vincent Nichols

PARISH AND DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Little Church Rota: The new rota for Little Church/Teas which is effective from the 3rd March is now available. Copies of the rota will be in the sacristy and also available online.

SPUC: This year's Youth and Student Pro Life Conference will take place on Friday 15th March - Sunday 17th March. The theme of the Conference is "Be a Voice for the Voiceless". Age range for the conference is 16 to 35. Two young people from our parish are going, but if anyone else is interested (or your children or grandchildren are) more information is available at www.spuc.org.uk or phone Margaret on 336 2050. All fees and expenses will be paid by our group.

Piety Stall: The Piety Stall has now closed. Cards will still be available in the card display unit in the back porch.

Church Cleaning Volunteers: If you would like to join the team of volunteers and are able to offer an hour or so, once every six weeks, please contact Louise on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com

Retired Priests Fund – Annual Collection: The collection will take place this weekend 23rd/24th February. Special envelopes were given out last weekend for you to return this week. Spare envelopes are also in the porches. **If I could ask you to place the donating envelopes in the collection bags at the end of mass.** With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

World Day of Prayer – There will be two services on Friday 1st March. 2pm at URC, Parkgate and 7.30pm St Michael's Church, Marshlands Rd, Lt Neston.

All welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served after each service.

Soup and sandwiches – The next lunch get together will be **Monday 4th March from 12.00 noon** in the church hall. All welcome to come, have lunch and a chat. As mentioned opposite, the parish meeting will start around 12.30pm.

Lent lunches – Details of the lunches and how you can help will follow next week. Keep a look out.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

Monday 25th February – Sunday 10th March

The Neston Fairtrade Steering Group is holding an information display and stall at Neston Market on Friday 1st March 9am-2pm. The same is also happening at Ness & Little Neston WI on **Tuesday 5th March at 7.30pm** and at Neston Methodist Church Welcome Cafe on **Friday 8th March** and also on **Sundays 3rd and 10th March**.