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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: **Week Commencing 28th August 2016**

Twenty - Second Sunday of the Year C.

TWENTY - SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 28th August – 3rd September 2016 (Weekday Cycle II / Psalter Week 2)

<u>Saturday 27th August: St Monica (memoria)</u>	<u>PARISH FINANCES</u>	
<p>10:00 am: Mass; Holy Souls</p> <p>10:45 am: Confessions</p>	<p>20th / 21st August 2016</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 27th August: Twenty - Second Sunday of the Year C</u></p> <p>5:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>5:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish</p>	<p>Envelopes:</p> <p>Loose Plate:</p> <p>Standing Orders:</p>	<p><u>TOTAL:</u></p> <p>Chad:</p> <p>Intercare:</p> <p>SVP:</p>
<p><u>Sunday 28th August: Twenty - Second Sunday of the Year C</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Patrick Doran RIP (1st Anniversary)</p>	<p><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Parish.</i></p> <p>*SECOND COLLECTION TODAY (See below)</p>	
<p><u>Monday 29th August: The Passion of St John the Baptist (memoria)</u></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Holy Souls</p>		
<p><u>Tuesday 30th August: Dedication of St Barnabas Cathedral (Feast)</u></p> <p>12:30 pm: Confessions</p> <p>1:00 pm: Mass; Private Intention</p>	<p><u>“MANY THE GIFTS”</u></p> <p>“Any Parishioners who are involved in any form of Lay Ministry are cordially invited to attend the Mass on Saturday 11:00 am at St Barnabas Cathedral with Bishop Patrick. It will involve a Re – Commissioning Service and those who attend will be given a candle and prayer card – just turn up, plenty of space.” – <i>Adult Formation Office.</i></p>	
<p><u>Wednesday 31st August: Weekday Feria</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p>Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Marica Borsos, Betty Cockrill, Rosetta Coronata, David Fox, Audrey Mc Coy, John Myatt, Bernadette Retallick, Mary Staley and John Webster.</p>	
<p><u>Thursday 1st September: Weekday Feria</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Special Intention</p>		
<p><u>Friday 2nd September: Weekday Feria</u></p> <p>12:30 pm: Confessions</p> <p>1:00 pm: Mass; Jones & Lally Family RIP</p>		
<p><u>Saturday 3rd September: St Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor (Feast)</u></p> <p>11:00 am: Jubilee Mass at St Barnabas’ Cathedral with Bishop Patrick Mc Kinney <i>“Many the Gifts” for all Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Catechists, Teachers & Musicians and all others who exercise any form of lay ministry in the Church throughout our Diocese.</i></p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p>Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Marica Borsos, Betty Cockrill, Rosetta Coronata, David Fox, Audrey Mc Coy, John Myatt, Bernadette Retallick, Mary Staley and John Webster.</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 3rd September: Twenty - Third Sunday of the Year C</u></p> <p>5:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>5:30 pm: Mass; Theresa Reilly RIP</p>		
<p><u>Sunday 4th September: Twenty - Third Sunday of the Year C</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Antonio Ferrara RIP</p>		

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@live.com by Thursday of each week for inclusion in the next issue

****SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS***

ROTAS:	5.30 pm	9.00 am	
Welcomers:		K Orford – Perkins & M Castor	
Next Week:		J Lowe & D Wilson	
Readers:	K Large	N Wilson	
Next Week:	M Cummins	S Yarwood	
Offertory:	M & G Sawicki	J Powell & M Calladine	
Next Week:	M & A Simmons	D & D Wilson	
Coffee:	C & M Hallam	Next Week:	J Powell & M Calladine
Cashiers:	J Brennan	Next Week:	N Mason
Flowers:	Kay & Eve	Next Week:	Shirley, Margaret & Sue
Cleaning:	Team Agius	Next Week:	Team Begley
Brasses:	L Newbold	Next Week:	E Rodrigues

POOR CLARES: The Sisters' send their thanks for the donations of food and money which they received from our Parish. They want you to know that our Parish is always remembered in their prayers. The next visit is planned for this coming **Monday, 29th August 2016.** – *Diane Wilson.*

FAIR TRADE: Many thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade Sale last weekend. Details of sales are put on the notice board at the back of the Church. Any profits made from the sale of fairly traded goods are given to Mary's Meals which is a charity helping to feed Third World schoolchildren. The next Fair Trade Sale is **17th/18th September 2016.** Some leaflets are available about the work of Mary's Meals and also information about Mary's Meals can be found on the Fair Trade Notice board at the back of church or you can visit the website: www.marysmeals.org.uk for further information.

BAZAAR COMMITTEE MEETING: **Tuesday 30th August 2016 at 7:00 pm** in the Hall. This meeting is to plan for the Macmillan Coffee morning (**Saturday 1st October 2016**) and the Christmas Bazaar Saturday (**19th of November 2016**). Although these events are great fund raisers they are also important Parish social events. We are always looking for new members and fresh ideas and we guarantee you will have a warm welcome if you join us at our meeting on 30th August.

SAVE THE DATE – SVP SUMMER OUTING: The SVP will be having their usual Summer Outing this year on **Wednesday 21st September 2016** (NOT Thursday 22nd as previously stated) and this year's venue is Sudbury Hall. A bus will be provided and there will be some wheelchair access on the bus. Please watch this space as full details will be in the Newsletter next week.

MISSIO: The Autumn edition of Mission Today is available for Red Box holders. Please pick up your copy from the church porch. If you have a box you would like emptying or would to have a Red Box please contact Diane Wilson (917 6697).

TWENTY – SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: The Law of Humility.

Christ is a King, and kings rule their kingdoms with laws. One of the most important laws in Christ's Kingdom is the law of humility. This law says that "everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and everyone who humbles himself will be exalted." In other words, greatness in His Kingdom comes not from outdoing other people, outperforming them, and distancing them. Greatness in Christ's eyes comes from serving other people, from elevating them, helping them advance, and keeping oneself in the background. In His very first sermon, Jesus had taught the same law with different words: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven." It is the same law stated so directly in today's First Reading: "be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved...you should behave humbly...and then you will find favour with the Lord." This law goes directly against everything this fallen world teaches us. It is extremely hard for us to swallow, which is why Jesus explained it by using this unambiguous parable. But even the parable wasn't enough. This law is so fundamental, that Jesus also taught it to us by living it out in an extreme way: through His Passion and Death. Jesus, the Lord of heaven, came to earth and purposefully took the lowest place possible – that of a condemned criminal. He freely took on the most humiliating form of death – crucifixion. He allowed himself to be stripped of every honour. He allowed His reputation to be dragged through the mud by the lies and corruption of His enemies. And yet, because He humbled Himself so thoroughly, He has been glorified so magnificently. Such is the law of His Kingdom. Nature Teaches Humility. The Law of Humility is written not only in the Gospel, but even in nature. Consider the tallest and most fruitful trees. How can they stand firm in spite of storms, wind, and earthquakes? What gives them the vitality to bear fruit year after year, spreading their own goodness to all living things around them? Their roots. Without deep, strong roots, the tree would crash to the ground in the first storm. Without wide, expansive roots, they couldn't absorb the nourishment and moisture necessary for putting out leaves, buds, flowers, and fruit. But these all – important roots are completely hidden. They really are in the "lowest place," where no one pays any attention to them. Without the root of humility, our lives cannot bear the fruit of authentic happiness for ourselves and those around us.

FLASH FAMILY LANGUAGE SCHOOL: This is a student exchange company run by Prof. Matthew Avanzi and it seeks to connect Italian students with workplaces in the U.K., operating in the same area as Education Business Partnership Organisations do in the U.K. They are currently looking for places and persons who could offer conversation and/or accommodation and/or unpaid work experience in the East Midlands Airport area for selected individuals and groups of our students (aged 16 – 18). For providing accommodation on a half – board basis they pay a minimum of £ 200.00 per week. For further details please visit the website: <http://www.flash-family-language-a-school-house.com>. The site with the listings is under construction and will be ready for the first groups coming in January 2017.

CHURCH GROUNDS: Many thanks to all who recently helped to make the garden and church grounds look so good. I know that a lot of hard work, time and effort has gone in to the weeding, pruning, grass cutting and general tidying up. It is lovely to see the great fruits of all these hard labours. On behalf of all the Parishioners we express our sincere thanks for the generosity shown and the time given to these endeavours, not just at this time but throughout the whole year. Once again many thanks.