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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 5th February 2017

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 5th – 11th February 2017 (Weekday Cycle Year 1 / Psalter Week 4)

<u>Saturday 4th February:</u> <u>St Gilbert of Sempringham, Priest (memoria)</u> <u>(First Saturday)</u>	<u>PARISH FINANCES</u>
10:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish 10:45 am: Confessions 11:30 am: Baptism; Benedict Emmanuel James Hodgkinson	28 th / 29 th January 2017
<u>Saturday 4th February:</u> <u>Fifth Sunday of the Year A</u> 5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Welfare of the King Family	Envelopes: Loose Plate: Standing Orders: <u>TOTAL:</u> Chad: Intercare: SVP: Sick & Retired Priests:
<u>Sunday 5th February:</u> <u>Fifth Sunday of the Year A</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Celebrant's Intention	
<u>Monday 6th February:</u> <u>St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs (memoria)</u> 10:45 am: Requiem Mass; Josef Granville RIP	
<u>Tuesday 7th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Holy Souls NO CONFESSIONS TODAY	<i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Parish.</i>
<u>Wednesday 8th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion	<i>In recipes, you sometimes see the instruction, "season to taste": you check as you're cooking to see whether the taste is right. Too little and the recipe is flavourless or off. Sometimes we have to take stock of whether our Christianity has diminished so much that it no longer "seasons" our life. There are many ways to season your Christianity to taste. Are you praying daily? Do you read and meditate on Scripture? Do you help people expecting nothing in return? Do you try to learn a little more about your faith and share it? Let us pray today for the flavourless Christians to put some "spice" back into their Christian life, and also for all those Christians trying to be a light in an often darkened world.</i>
<u>Thursday 9th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Mrs Martha Whitmore RIP (Foundation Mass)	
<u>Friday 10th February:</u> <u>St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr (memoria)</u> 12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Special Intention	
<u>Saturday 11th February:</u> <u>Our Lady of Lourdes (memoria)</u> 10:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish 10:45 am: Confessions	<i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i> Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Marica Borsos, Pat Constable, David Fox, Audrey Mc Coy, Fr Joseph O' Hanlon, Bernadette Retallick, Mary Staley and John Webster.
<u>Saturday 11th February:</u> <u>Sixth Sunday of the Year A</u> 5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Betty Granville RIP (Condon)	
<u>Sunday 12th February:</u> <u>Sixth Sunday of the Year A</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Special Intention (Turnbull – Ross)	

ROTAS:	5.30 pm	9.00 am
Welcomers:		M Simpson & L Newbold
Next Week:		K Orford – Perkins & M Neale
Readers:	M Sully	C Hallam
Next Week:	A Simmons	A Horgan
Offertory:	M King & J Williams	M Ferrara & N Iacovitti
Next Week:	J Fox & N Brennan	R & N Wilson
Coffee:	M Calladine & L Wittam	Next Week: J Powell & M Calladine
Cashiers:	N Mason	Next Week: J Walton
Flowers:	Suzanne & Margaret J	Next Week: Kay & Eve
Cleaning:	Team Freyne	Next Week: Team Agius
Brasses:	K Bennett	Next Week: L Newbold00

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Josef Granville*, who died on *8th January 2017*. His Requiem Mass will take place here at The Assumption Church this *Monday, 6th February 2017 at 10:45 am* followed by committal at Bramcote Crematorium. We pray for him and his family at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

POOR CLARES: The sisters send their sincere thanks for the gifts they received from our parish this week. They have a special feast day on 7th February 2015 and were thrilled with all the delicious things you sent. They want you all to know that our Parish is very special to them and that we are remembered in their prayers every day. The next visit is planned for the *27th February 2017*. – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE SALE: Many thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade Sale last weekend, any profit made from the sale goes to Mary's Meals which is a charity helping to feed Third World school children. Further details are on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of Church. The next sale will be the weekend *25th and 26th February 2017*. Information about Mary's Meals can also be found at the website: www.marysmeals.org.uk. – *Diane Wilson*.

THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE: are hopeful that they will be able to put on a Barn Dance later this year. The next planned event will be on Shrove Tuesday and our Pancake Evening, which has now become established on the Assumption Social Calendar. Please put the date in your Diaries *28th February 2017!*

"PASTA SOCIAL!": We are hosting a pasta social night to raise funds for our trip to Lourdes on *Saturday 4th March 2017 from 6:30 pm*. Bring along your own drinks and we'll supply the food! Tickets will be on sale from 4th February 2017 at the back of Church for £4 each or £15 for a family (up to 2 adults and up to 3 children). We will also be having a raffle drawn on the night, and these tickets will be on sale for £1 a strip or 50p a ticket. Get your tickets fast, we're hoping it'll be a popular event for all to enjoy! – *Issie, Maria and Sara*.

NOTTINGHAM 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: From *Ash Wednesday 1st March until Palm Sunday 9th April 2017*, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40 – day vigil outside the Treatment Centre at the Queens Medical Centre and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please visit our website 40daysforlife.com/nottingham or contact John Edwards and Alan Horgan 07757815625, johnvedwards56@gmail.com

SPUC YOUTH CONFERENCE: takes place *3rd – 5th March 2017* at Yarnfield Park Conference Centre, Stone. It is an inspiring and fun weekend filled with Pro-Life talks, workshops and many chances to meet other young Pro-Life people. There is a fantastic line-up of speakers – full details are available here: www.spuc.org.uk/get-involved/events/youth-conference-2017 The conference is open to anyone between the ages of 16–35 and the Nottingham Branch has some sponsored places available. If you are interested contact John (0115) 914 1070, Caroline (01623 795 062) or email people@spucnottingham.org.uk

WOMENS REFUGE, BEESTON: The SVP are asking for donations of toiletries in order to help the *WOMENS REFUGE* in *Beeston*. Items needed are: *Liquid soap, deodorant, shower gel, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.* If anyone has any unwanted Christmas toiletries or could donate any of the above items we would be most grateful. There will be a box in the porch at back of Church labelled, "*WOMENS REFUGE*" where you can deposit the items, for the next couple of weeks. Thank you so much for your continued support. – *St Vincent de Paul Society*.

ANNUAL VALENTINE MARRIAGE MASS WITH RENEWAL OF VOWS: NEXT SUNDAY 12th February 2017 at 3:00 pm all married couples are invited to join us at Nottingham Cathedral to celebrate your marriage with Bishop Patrick, and to renew your vows to each other. Whether you are celebrating five years or fifty years, you are very welcome.

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.