## CATHOLIC LOUTH AND MABLETHORPE

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## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Those who are ill:* Irene Mander, Dorothy Howard, Pat Tiger, Sylvia Saxby, John Dean, Patricia Kerr, Peter Endean, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey. Fr. James Lynch, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Owen Jenkinson, Thecla Domici.

*Those who have died recently:* S. Mary's: Lea Small, David Peter Stubbs, Edwin Wrigley, Elizabeth Melling, Christopher John Adlard, Ann Lavarack, Edward Noble, Kerry Ashby, Jim Ellison, Thomas Gallagher, Rev Dom Adrian Convery OSB, Stephen Curley, S. Joseph's: Sandra Watkinson, Brenda Smith, Joyce Kerswell, Pamela Ogden, Larry Walsh.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ditosa Da Cruz, Jim Proctor, Bridie Ballard, Thomas Halligan, Caroline Margaret Periam, Maureen O'Leary, Amanda Joan Connaughton, Henry Wilford, Patrick Foy, Joanna Wilson, Gertrude Monica Randle, Connor Lea Archer, Anthony Charles Bentley, Michael Flemming, Austin Prendiville, Jesse Bannister, Charles Bratley, James Alexander Fleming, Bridget Gibbons, Catherine Stinson, Bridget Matchlett, John Malone.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

# Second Week of Ordinary Time

19th - 25th January 2025, Year C, Psalter Week II

### MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 19th Jan		SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
*18.15 (Vigil) *9.00 *11.30	S. Mary's S. Mary's S. Joseph's	Michelle S's intentions Gregorio Ataide (intentions) Ditosa Clara Da Cruz (+)
Monday, 20th Jan		S. Fabian
		NO MASS
Tuesday, 21st Jan		S. Agnes
		NO MASS
Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan		S. Vincent
10.00	S. Mary's	Lea Small (+)
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan		Feria
10.00	S. Joseph's	Conversion of England
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan		S. Francis de Sales
15.00	S. Mary's	Divine Mercy devotion & the Holy Rosary
Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan		THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL
10.00 10.45 -11.30 *18.15(Vigil)	S. Mary's S. Mary's S. Mary's	Christian Unity The Holy Rosary & Confessions Conversion of England
Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan		THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
* 9.00 * 11.30	S. Mary's S. Joseph's	Holy Souls Holy Souls

Please Note. Confessions may be heard after all Masses upon request.

Teas & Coffees: Wednesdays, Thursdays & Sundays after Mass.

<sup>\*</sup> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Half hour before all Sunday Masses.

### **NOTICES**

- ◆ We are now taking orders for Daily, Weekday and Sunday Missals. Please place your order at the repository.
  - **Weekday Missal:** £55 Hardback. Contains prayers and readings for the weekday Masses from Monday to Saturday.
  - **Daily Missal:** £70 Hardback. Contains the complete Weekday, Sunday and sanctoral cycles in one volume.
  - **Sunday Missal:** £30 Leather-bound, £20 Hardback, £10 Paperback. Contains the prayers and readings for Sunday only.
- ◆ Introduction to Catholicism w/ Fr Kevin, Mondays at 6 PM on Microsoft Teams. Please email if you would like to attend.
- ◆ All applicants for Sacraments, viz. Baptism, FHC, Confirmation, to apply to Father Kevin in person, OR by e-mail or telephone.
- ◆ Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to Holy Mass at 3 PM at St. Barnabas Cathedral (NG1 5AE) on Sunday 16th February. The Bishop will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing, and later host a Reception in Cathedral Hall.

#### Saint Mary's, Louth

- **◆** The Second Collection is for the Building Maintenance Fund.
- ◆ The funeral service of Mrs. Johnstone will take place on Wednesday at 15.00 at Alford Crematorium. Please pray for the peaceful repose of her soul.
- ◆ Following a recent assessment of the parish buildings, it has been ascertained that we will need to spend approximately £40,000 on essential repairs. We will be running a number of fundraisers over the next several months to meet this need. In the meantime, any donations would be welcomed most gratefully: Account name St Marys Louth RCP;

**Account number** 00108605; **Sort code** 30-95-22

• S. Mary's repository: Find us in the conservatory of the presbytery.

## Saint Joseph's, Mablethorpe

- ◆ Crib Offerings: The bishop has asked that monies collected as "Crib Offerings" this season be given to 'Friends of the Holy Land' for the use by children who are suffering because of the current situation in the Holy Land. We shall be continuing with the Crib until Candlemas on 2nd February, as is tradition.
- ◆ S. Joseph's repository: Quality greeting cards and devotional items available at very attractive prices. Please feel free to take a look after Mass and support our parish shop.
- ◆ We have an assortment of CTS books laid out in the narthex. Please feel free to have a browse and help yourself to any that may interest you.

### A WORD FROM FATHER KEVIN

It is the self-sacrificial type of love that turns water into wine. The beauty of the story of the wedding at Cana is in Christ's devotion to His holy Mother. When she said, Do something about that wine situation, He responded and said, But, Mother, My hour has not yet come. What hour is that? I've heard many priests say that Christ's hour was His crucifixion. Now, if the crucifixion was the extraordinary self-emptying and sacrifice of Christ, by which the divine love of God was finally made manifest in all its glory, then this excruciating



torment of Christ's is here connected with the wedding at Cana. Christ says to His Mother, If I do this thing for you, you know what comes next, you know that I shall next walk up to Jerusalem and be tortured and killed. So, this is not a smiling and cheerful Mary asking for this miracle at the wedding, but a sorrowful mother preparing to offer her Son for the salvation of the world. When the master steward declared that the water drawn out was the best wine he had ever tasted, the Immaculate Heart looked forward to the Cross of her Son. But why this Sacrifice on the Cross? Could not humanity have been saved by God without this horrible blood-letting? We do not quite understand why blood sacrifice is required by God, but we know from Scripture that it is, and that this requirement is so serious that God Himself will undergo the pain of it, in order that the men and women He loves will not suffer eternal death. So, He says through Isaiah in our first reading, For Jerusalem's sake, I will not be silent, I shall not weary, until her integrity shines forth in Christ My beloved Son, until her salvation flames forth like a torch. And that torch has never burned brighter than from the Cross, not only for the benefit of the Jews but for all the nations. And the new community - the new family - that is born out of that burning love of the Sacred Heart, the heart of God bared upon the Cross, would have a new name - she would be named after Christ her Lord.

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