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Sunday, 4th February 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

Mass Intention: The People of God

Hymns for today:

Entrance Hymn: 683
Offertory Hymn: 475
Communion Hymn: 639
Recessional Hymn: 788

Mass Settings for today:

Kyrie: 480 **Acclamation:** 485
Gloria: 481 **Great Amen:** 486
Sanctus: 482 **Agnus Dei:** 487

WELCOME

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

There will be a Children's Liturgy today. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, may be found hanging on the chairs at the back of church to be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace after use. After Mass refreshments are served at the back of the Cathedral.

COLLECTIONS

The plate collection for last Sunday was **£247.12** and the retiring collection for Bishopric Charities at Bishop Walmsley's Funeral Mass was **£288.35**.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Readers: Col P Rossiter; Mrs S Cole
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Mr E Baldwin; Mr D Beal; Mrs E Haddon; Mrs P Rossiter
Welcome Team: Mrs P McLachlan; Mrs P Ryan
Children's Liturgy: Mrs Y Spreadborough

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tue 6th Feb: *St Paul Miki and Companions, martyrs*
1830hrs – Holy Mass
Victims of oppression and slavery
Wed 7th Feb: *Feria of Week 5 in Ordinary Time*
1145hrs – Midday Prayer
1200hrs – Holy Mass
The sick and housebound

MINISTRIES FOR SUNDAY, 11th FEBRUARY 2018

Readers: Mr B McMahon; Maj N Fitzsimmons
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Mr D Beal; Mrs G Edwards; Mrs E Haddon; Mr J Thompson
Welcome Team: Mrs A Gosnell; Mrs G Hyman
Children's Liturgy: Mrs P Rossiter

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The Apostleship of the Sea is looking to appoint a chair during 2018 to lead an effective, stable and well governed charity as it considers embarking upon an exciting period of growth, both at home and overseas. Details of the position may be found by visiting their website at: www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

FORTHCOMING EVENT

The International Military Pilgrimage to Lourdes is 60 years old in 2018 and it is hoped to have a group from the Cathedral attending. The dates are Thursday, 17th to Monday, 21st May and booking forms are now available at the back of church.

ADVENT COURSE

The final session will take place this Tuesday, 6th February, at 1900hrs preceded by Mass at 1830hrs. Everyone is welcome.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL

This Thursday, 8th February, marks a day of prayer for victims of human trafficking and those who work to combat this scourge of humanity. Appropriately the date chosen is the feast day of St Josephine Bakhita - herself sold into slavery. It's a wonderful opportunity to remember and pray for those who have suffered from the dreadful experience of having been trafficked and an opportunity to recommit ourselves as the Church to doing everything we can to eliminate the scourge of human trafficking from the world in which we live. Details at: www.catholic-ew.org.uk/Home/Featured/Features-2017/Day-of-Prayer-for-Victims-of-Human-Trafficking/Day-of-Prayer

PRAYERFULLY UNITED

The Prayer Intention of Pope Francis this month, February 2018, is: 'That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.' A video of the Holy Father may be seen at: <https://thepopevideo.org/en.html>

CELEBRATING LIFE

The Landings UK and Farm Street Jesuits Saints of England Pilgrimage, which takes place from 8th - 13th June 2018, is now taking bookings. The group will follow in the footsteps of St Aidan, St Cuthbert, St Oswald, St Wilfred, The Venerable Bede and others, exploring Lindisfarne Priory on Holy Island, Hexham, Durham and York. The itinerary and contact details may be found at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/34258

MASS INTENTIONS

I shall be in Lourdes for the Pilgrimage Directors' gathering next weekend and am happy to remember anyone and anything you might want me to at the Grotto.

AND FINALLY ...

... if you hit the target every time it's possible that its either too near or too big.

With every blessing
Fr Nick