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Sunday, 13th January 2019

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – YEAR C

Mass Intention: *Grazyna Siwiec RIP*

Hymns:

Entrance Hymn: 172
Offertory Hymn: 161
Communion Hymn: 171
Recessional Hymn: 108

Mass Settings:

Kyrie: M13 Acclamation: M17
Gloria: M14 Great Amen: M19
Sanctus: M15 Agnus Dei: M20

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 **£262.62**

MINISTRIES TODAY

Celebrant: Bishop Paul Mason
Readers: Mrs C Pritchard; Mrs N Francis-Crerar
Extraordinary Ministers: Mr D Beal; Mrs S Cole;
Col A Gillham; Mr J Thompson
Welcome Team: Mrs A Gosnell; Mrs M Casey
Children's Liturgy: Mrs Y Spreadborough

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wed 16th Jan: *Feria of Ordinary Time, Week 1*
1145hrs – Midday Prayer & Angelus
1200hrs – Holy Mass
Kathleen Fernando RIP

MINISTRIES FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 20th JANUARY 2019

Readers: Mrs J White; Ms C Collis
Extraordinary Ministers: Mrs P Brooks; Mrs M Casey;
Mr C Kamwenje; Mrs P Rossiter
Welcome Team: Mrs L Morten; Mrs S Cole
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.

PROTECTING LIFE

SPUC is holding its annual White Flower Appeal this weekend and there will be a Special Collection after Mass to assist the Society to continue its work in upholding the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. www.spuc.org.uk

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

The First Holy Communion Course parents'/guardians' session will be on Wednesday, 30th January at 1900hrs. Today is the final opportunity, via one of the catechists, to enrol your child(ren).

PAPAL TEACHING

During the General Audience last Wednesday, Pope Francis took up the age-old question about why, at times, it seems that God does not answer our prayers. The Holy Father said Jesus reminds us in the Our Father of the need to persevere in prayer. Further details may be read at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/36322

ECUMENICAL WITNESS

Bishops of the Holy Land Coordination will be travelling in support of Christians in Israel and Palestine this weekend. This year they will focus on the theme: 'Christians in Israel; challenges and opportunities.' The Holy Land Coordination is made up of Bishops from across Europe, North America and South Africa, who have made an annual pastoral visit to Israel and Palestine for the past 20 years. The Coordination's annual meeting is taking place from 12th-17th January. The meeting will be held in the City of Haifa, including visits to Christian hospitals, schools and villages. The bishops will also take part in Inter-faith encounters.

UNIVERSAL INTERCESSION

Praying for the unity of the Church involves a recognition not only of the brokenness of Christian relationships, but also how injustice in the world at large rends asunder Christian communities and impedes our participation in God's mission. History too plays a part, casting a shadow over how we live together in community. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins this Friday and ends on the Conversion of St Paul on Friday, 25th January. The working material for 2019 has been produced in Indonesia, with the Christians of that nation offering Deuteronomy 16:18-20: 'Justice, & only justice, you shall pursue' as the motif. This year's theme calls us to move from shared prayer to shared action, inviting us to be a united witness, and an agent of Christ's healing grace in a broken world, by making specific commitments to justice, equality, and unity. Further details: www.ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2019/

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY

The next Alton Day of Renewal will take place at Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton, GU34 2NG on Saturday, 26th January. The theme is 'The Power of Prayer' and further details, together with a programme of events, may be found at: www.altonrenewal.com

AND FINALLY ...

... expecting things to change without putting in any effort, is like waiting for a ship at the airport.

With every blessing
Fr Nick