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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Mass Intention: Adrian Gillham RIP

Entrance Hymn: 881

Offertory Hymn: 877

Communion Hymn: 475

Recessional Hymn: 870

Kyrie: M13

Gloria: M14

Sanctus: M15

Acclamation: M50

Great Amen: M19

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 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 **£290.76**. Today there will be a **Special Collection** for the **Bishopric Charities**.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Readers: Col N Fitzsimons; Mr B McMahon

Extraordinary Ministers: Mrs B Brunning; Mrs C Pritchard;
Mrs P Ward; Mrs N Francis-Crerar

Welcome Team: Mrs A Gosnell; Mrs M Ferrie

Children's Liturgy: Mrs P Ryan

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wed 29th Jan: *Feria of Ordinary Time, Week 3*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer & Angelus

1200hrs – Holy Mass

Pauline Hunter RIP

1900hrs – Holy Hour and Benediction

MINISTRIES FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY 2020

Readers: Mrs E Haddon; Mrs S Cole

Extraordinary Ministers: Mrs O Beattie; Mrs P Brooks;
Mrs M Casey; Mrs P Rossiter

Welcome Team: Mrs L Morten; Mrs A Gosnell

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.

CELEBRATING MINISTRY

Today we will commission the final group of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion offering service to the community.

FOSTERING PEACE

The UN's highest court has ordered Myanmar to do everything in its power to prevent the further genocide of Rohingya Muslims. In a unanimous ruling last week the International Court of Justice set out urgent steps to end the violence. A press release may be found on the noticeboard and the full judgement at: www.icj-cij.org/en

PAPAL COMMUNICATION

Cardinal Peter Turkson delivered Pope Francis' to the World Economic Forum meeting in Davos. It may be read on the noticeboard or at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/38781

TODAY'S COMMEMORATION

On the feast of St Jerome Pope Francis issued a 'Motu Proprio' instituting the Sunday of the Word of God to be marked each year on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Holy Father had proposed the idea at the conclusion of the Year of Mercy when he wrote: 'a Sunday given over entirely to the word of God, so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people'. The timing of the day will mean that it will often coincide with the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and is at the same time as commemorations for Holocaust Memorial Day. Pope Francis notes: 'This Sunday of the Word of God will thus be a fitting part of that time of the year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. This is more than a temporal coincidence: the celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God has ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity. He also addresses the concern that individual days of prayer can seem to highlight something which should be part of the normal life of the Church: 'A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers.' A copy of the full text of the document *Aperuit Illis* is available on the noticeboard.

LOCAL REGENERATION

Rushmoor Borough Council has unveiled plans for new homes, student accommodation and flexible retail and commercial space in Aldershot and Farnborough. For further details go to: www.rushmoordevelopmentpartnership.com

PARISH RETREAT

It is hoped we might continue the tradition of an annual community time at Worth Abbey, with the proposed dates for this year being Tuesday, 8th to Thursday, 10th September. Please add your name to the list at the back of church to indicate your interest.

AND FINALLY ...

... turn your face to the sun and the shadow falls behind you.

With every blessing
Fr Nick