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Sunday, 23rd January 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

Mass Intention: Victor, Veronica & Stefan Vos RIP

Entrance Hymn: 683

Offertory Hymn: 603

Communion Hymn: 627

Recessional Hymn: 864

Kyrie: M13

Gloria: M14

Sanctus: M15

Acclamation: M17

Great Amen: Plainchant

Agnus Dei: M20

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.

WELCOME EVERYONE

Please observe sensible precautions when entering and leaving the Cathedral by sanitising your hands, as well as leaving at least one seat between yourself and your household and another person or household. **Face coverings are mandatory (unless exempt) for services, but not when consuming refreshments afterwards.**

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.

The children will go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. After Mass refreshments are served at the back of the Cathedral.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs L McMahon; Mrs M Ferrie
Readers: Mr B McMahon; Mrs C Pritchard
Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs Y Spreadborough

THIS WEEK

The Cathedral is open every working day from **1000hrs - 1600hrs**

Mon 24th Jan: *St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor*

Tue 25th Jan: *The Conversion of St Paul*

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity concludes

Wed 26th Jan: *St Timothy & St Titus, bishops*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer: Psalter Week III

1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

John Summers RIP

Thu 27th Jan: *St Angela Merici, virgin*

Fri 28th Jan: *St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor*

1400hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Today at 1230hrs we will welcome Nuel and Immanuel Sanihyah into the family of the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. The Zoom details will be the same as for Mass.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

The next First Holy Communion Course will begin with a parent/guardian meeting this Tuesday, 25th January at 1900hrs. Classes commence the following day, Wednesday, 26th January at 1600hrs for all who have submitted registration forms.

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom Invitation details - ID: 843 4923 5312

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84349235312?pwd=MnZoOXFQSDJlNkIGcUN5Qk8yR2NlQZz09> Passcode: 210694

Wednesday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 859 1133 3299

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85911333299?pwd=bEQ0MW1oRk5lalpUcnBJNU1oWXM3dz09> Passcode: 915708

TODAY'S COMMEMORATION

On the feast of St Jerome 2019 Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God to be marked each year on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. He 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 means that it often coincides with the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and also commemorations for Holocaust Memorial Day. The Holy Father noted: '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.'

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

A study day is being organised by St Mary's University this Wednesday, 26th January to mark the 25th anniversary of the publication of *The Common Good and the Catholic Church's Social Teaching*. Details on the noticeboard, Bishopric website & at: www.stmarys.ac.uk/events/2022/01/comon-good-25-years-on

AND FINALLY ...

... it's said that much can be discerned about someone simply by the way that they handle three things: a rainy day, lost luggage, and tangled Christmas tree lights!

With every blessing
Fr Nick