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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 13th July 15TH Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Ursula White + John Cole + James Early	Sean Pat and Alban Mary
Monday, 14th July	9:30 a.m.	+ Peggy Granger	Sheila & Richard
Tuesday, 15th July St Bonaventure	7:00 a.m.	Healing of Sr Josephine	Sr Bridget Leamy
Wednesday, 16th July Our Lady of mt Carmel	9:30 a.m.	+ Shirley Budge & Wendy John	Mary Hunter
Thursday, 17th July	9:30 a.m.	Holy Souls	
Friday, 18th July	9:30 a.m.	Parish	
Saturday, 19th July	9:30 a.m.	+ Philomena Collough	Anne
Sunday, 20th July 16TH Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	+ John Howard + Concepcion Parish	R. Jenkins

CONFESSION: Saturdays after the morning mass and before the evening mass or by appointment.

MORNING PRAISE: 15 minutes before the weekday morning mass.

MARIAN DEVOTION: 15 minutes before the Tuesday evening mass.

BENEDICTION: after the Friday morning mass.

LECTIO DIVINA: after the Thursday morning mass.

SICK LIST: Please remember in your prayers – Bishop Daniel Mullins, Mgr David Botrill, Canon Richard Byron, Fr Eric Wastell, Muriel Donald, Michael O’Kane, Catherine Sullivan, Roger Eddy, Geoff Slee, Elana Fallone, Ron Gaffney, Ciaran Jones, Binoy Thomas, Jim Morrissey, Jean Fonseka, Cliff Griffiths, Eileen Kelly, Kathleen Lewis, Diane Cullen, Millie Williams, Stan Lofthouse, Margaret Blake, Margaret Cobley, Michael Reynolds, Michael McGovern, Afric Hoynes, John Blackey, and all other members of the parish who are unwell at this time.

Hospital? Are you, someone in your family, or a Catholic friend, in hospital or going in soon? Please let us know. We have no other way of learning who is in hospital, to be able to offer them the pastoral care of the of the hospital visitor, or to bring the spiritual healing of the Sacraments.

MINISTERS NEXT WEEKEND

READERS	6:00 p.m.	Mike Merchant	Roger Eddy	Martina Eddy
	8:30 a.m.	Martin Caerns	Theo Cox	Angelo Sidoli
	11:00 a.m.	Peter Cashman	Ted Geary	Theresa Plunkett
COMMUNION	6:00 p.m.	Maureen Davies	Mary Wilson	Paddy Tribe
	8:30 a.m.	Robin Baragry	Elaine Clement	Helen Williams
	11:00 a.m.	Sr. Bridget	Joan Ansell	Connie Warren

PARISH AND DIOCESAN FINANCES. Our Parish Collection last weekend raised £ 789.80. Last Sunday £ 43.10 was raised through the Diocese Silver Jubilee Envelopes. Thanks to all those who generously support the Parish and the Diocese each Sunday.

SEA SUNDAY. This weekend is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. This weekend's second collection is for Apostleship of the Sea (AoS), the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This annual collection is absolutely vital to enable it to continue its work, so please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you.

THE WORD OF THE LORD. The first reading and the Gospel for this weekend are about the Word of God. It is therefore fitting to say something about God's word. Vatican II affirms that "in the celebration of the liturgy, holy Scripture is of extreme importance (*maximum momentum*). [Liturgy Constitution no. 24]. The Word of God is the *root* of all that exists, in particular of the universe of love that is ecclesial community. The Word is important in the same way that the Word which called the universe into existence is "important." "God spoke and the world was. God commanded and the world existed."

Just as in the Old Testament, God chose Israel, a people that did not exist, from among the nations, establishing it as a "first-born child." And just as God called into existence the Church, the Body of Christ, his first-born child, so God continues today to call into existence, by his creative Word, ecclesial communities. Vatican II affirms: "Particular churches are born of the Word." [Decree on Mission no. 6]. "It is the Word of salvation which awakens faith in the hearts of non-Christians, which nourishes faith in the hearts of Christians, which gives birth and growth to Christians communities." [Decree on the Ministry of Priests no. 4]

SVP. The SVP will meet on Monday, 14 July, at 7:00 p.m. at the sacristy.

ROTA. Please be reminded that the Rota for ministers is now posted in the notice board at the ambulatory. Please be reminded further that it was resolved in the last meeting that it will be the responsibility of the minister assigned to look for his/her substitute if he/she is not able to perform his/her duty.

TRANSPORT ISSUE. Please visit the web page of St. David's Roman Catholic Primary School, www.swansea-edunet.gov.uk/en/schools/stdavids. The school needs a lot of support for the councillors to reconsider their proposal to stop transport to all voluntary aided school. Please consider that children's educational future is at risk if the counsellors will not change their minds.

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY. The university will host the IPC Athletics European Championships beginning 18 August up to 23 August. Athletes will start arriving on 13 August and they are expected to stay up to 26 August in the campus. The Catholic chaplaincy will serve the spiritual needs of the athletes. Masses and prayer meetings will be celebrated in the chaplaincy. The chaplaincy will be happy if international (European) students will make themselves available as interpreters.

Congratulations to all those who are graduating this week. Congratulations too to those who are graduating with first class honours and distinction. Please remember to thank God.

