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**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

Sunday, 31st August 22ND Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Holy Souls + Jim Murphy Parish	Robin Baragry
Monday, 1st September	9:30 a.m.	Healing of Nebil Mikary	
Tuesday, 2nd September	7:00 p.m.	Healing of Nebil Mikary	
Wednesday, 3rd September St Gregory the Great	9:30 a.m.	+ Sr Josephine	Sr Mary Carr
Thursday, 4th September	9:30 a.m.	+ Sr Josephine	Parish
Friday, 5th September	9:30 a.m.	+ John Welsh	Robin Baragry
Saturday, 6th September	9:30 a.m.	+ Bernard McGrath	Terry
Sunday, 7th September 23RD Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mrs Monica Kempster + Arthur & Bernadette Baragry Parish	Paddy Tribe Robin Baragry

**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:** Meeting will resume on 11 September

**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, Valerie Murphy 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 ( 06 - 07 September)**

<b>READERS</b>	6:00 p.m.	Mike Merchant	Chris Kelly	Maureen Davies
	8:30 a.m.	Elaine Clement	Theo Cox	Angela Mugford
	11:00 a.m.	Steve Smith	Ted Geary	Sr Bridget Guidera
<b>COMMUNION</b>	6:00 p.m.	Paddy Tribe	Helen Williams	Mary Wilson
	8:30 a.m.	Robin Baragry	Maureen Watkins	Sr Bridget Carr
	11:00 a.m.	Sr. Bridget Leamy	Angela Valenzuela	Zofia Parylak

**WARM WELCOME** to all holiday makers who visit St Benedict. Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable holiday.

**PARISH AND DIOCESAN FINANCES.** Our Parish Collection last weekend raised £ 899.30. Last Sunday £ 33.10 was raised through the Diocese Silver Jubilee Envelopes. Thanks to all those who generously support the Parish and the Diocese each Sunday.

**MAKING DISCIPLES.** The Gospel this weekend talks about the cost of discipleship. Jesus challenges his disciples to consider, "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" How is this concretely seen in daily life? An illustration is offered by Timothy E. O'Connell.

"For example, people are not likely to say that Beethoven's music is bad, or even unimportant. But some people are very likely to select a CD not of Beethoven but of the rock group of the moment for playing on their home stereo. And they may do this consistently! It is not that they have particular animus against Beethoven; it is just that they *prefer* the rock group. So if we want to understand rightly the values out of which people actually live, it is less important to discuss "intrinsic worth" than it is to consider "relative preference."

. . . If we are say that followers of Jesus ought to prefer fidelity to comfort, that they ought to keep their promises even at personal inconvenience, we are not saying that comfort is a bad thing. We are simply saying that, in our judgment, it is not as important a value as fidelity to promises. . .

If this is true, then the project of moral formation, the making of disciples, is a project not of "value-affirmation creation" but of "value preference modification."! . . . In a finite world, all values are in competition with one another. For in such a world one cannot do all things. Rather, everything "costs"; to do one thing is to leave another undone. Consequently, all moral choices are choices among goods (i.e. [objective] values). But if this is true, then all concrete moral choices are the enactment of *preferences*." [Timothy E. O'Connell, *Making Disciples: A Handbook of Christian Moral Formation*, (New York: The Crossroad Publishing Company, 1998. Pp. 59 - 61)].

**MISSIO RED BOXES.** The autumn edition of Mission Today is now available. It is a free magazine that explains where the monies collected from the Red Boxes are used. The magazine shows the different mission areas/territories that benefit from the Red Box collections. If you are interested in helping the mission, please ask for a red box from Jane Phillips (01792 - 208658).

**PILGRIMAGES.** Sr Margaret is organising pilgrimages to Lourdes and other shrines of France. Departure and arrival sates are 11 - 18 May 2015 (8 days and 7 nights). The cost of the pilgrimage is £ 660.00 but this includes 4 days full board in Lourdes. Sr is also organising a pilgrimage to Fatima. The departure date is on 11 October and the cost is £ 567.00. Please get in touch with her if you are interested. Her phone number is 01792 473453.

**CHILDREN'S MASS.** Because of the school break, children's mass will begin next month. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to a mass fit for children. Children aged 4 and above are invited to join the preparation for children's mass at the sacristy. Your usual cooperation is greatly appreciated. The first children's mass is scheduled on 07 September.

**SUNG MASS.** In order to satisfy the needs of people who prefer the solemn celebration of mass, the choir will sing on Saturday evening preceding the first Sunday of every month. This will begin on 06 September.

**DIOCESAN FUND RAISING.** Maureen Watkins is the person in charge for the skyfall fund raising. Please see the sign-up sheet at the ambulatory and submit your pledged donation to her.

**UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY.** The chaplaincy is now preparing for the welcome days, 19 - 20 September and the Freshers' Fayre. Sylvia Nwosu is now preparing the rota for both the welcome days and freshers. Please notify her if you want to help in the said events.