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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 7th September 23RD Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Monica Kempster + Arthur & Bernadette Baragry Parish	Paddy Tribe Robin Baragry
Monday, 8th September Nativity of the Blessed Mother	9:30 a.m.	Holy Souls	Kasia Hikary
Tuesday, 9th September Blessed Frederic Ozanam	7:00 p.m.	+ Sr Josephine	Kathleen and Clifford Griffiths
Wednesday, 10th September	9:30 a.m.	Deceased friend and priests of St Benedict	
Thursday, 11th September St Deiniol	9:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving of Eileen Roberts	
Friday, 12th September	9:30 a.m.	Holy Souls	
Saturday, 13th September St John Chrysostom	9:30 a.m.	Intentions of Fr Eric Wastell	Eileen Roberts
Sunday, 14th September The Exaltation of the Cross	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Ursula White + John Howard Parish	Sean 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: Meeting will resume on 11 September

SICK LIST: Please remember in your prayers – Bishop Daniel Mullins, Mgr David Botrill, 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 Cobby, 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 (13 - 14 September)

READERS	6:00 p.m.	Mary Wilson	Terry McGrath	Catherine Hole
	8:30 a.m.	John Kinsey	Nick Potters	Angelo Sidoli
	11:00 a.m.	Darcy O’Farrell	Peter Davies	Connie Warren
COMMUNION	6:00 p.m.	John Morse	Pat Morse	Maureen Davies
	8:30 a.m.	Robin Baragry	Maureen Watkins	Sr Mary Carr
	11:00 a.m.	Joan Ansell	Angela Valenzuela	Sr Bridget Guidera

WARM WELCOME to all holiday makers who visit St Benedict. Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable holiday. Welcome back to Canon Richard Byron. He is very well now and can make himself available to meet our pastoral needs when needed. Welcome to Canon Michael Griffiths from the diocese of Northampton. He resides in our parish and he is also available to help our parish. Welcome to the members of UCM of the diocese and their chaplain, Fr Paul Watson.

PARISH AND DIOCESAN FINANCES. Our Parish Collection last weekend raised £ 992.59. Last Sunday £ 38.00 was raised through the Diocese Silver Jubilee Envelopes. Thanks to all those who generously support the Parish and the Diocese each Sunday.

BROTHERLY & SISTERLY CORRECTION. Pope Francis once related the Gospel for this weekend with gossiping. He said that some people are more inclined to announce the faults of others to the church than to the one committing the mistake. The first book of the Pope, with a foreword by the Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Nichols, asks the questions: "What do I do with my life? Do I create unity around me? Or do I cause division by gossip, criticism, or envy?"

"Few of us gossip out of delight in maligning another. My suspicion is that most gossip arises from either a misguided desire to defend oneself against another who is perceived as harmful, or in order to connect more strongly to others in our social groups.

When in conflict with another, it's common to talk to one's friends in order to sort out one's feelings and discern how next to act. Certainly in many friendships, conversations are often centered on discussing relationships with others and offering advice and support. How, then, can we avoid gossip?

Pope Francis's words offer us a clue as to where to draw the line between gossip and heartfelt conversation: does the conversation aim to work toward unity and reconciliation, or is its aim self-assertion or putting down others?" Marina McCoy, "Four Ways to Avoid Gossip," *dotMagis*, 11 April 2014, accessed September 3, 2014, www.ignatianspirituality.com/18810/four-ways-to-avoid-gossip/

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).

CHILDREN'S MASS. This Sunday marks the restoration of children's mass. Adults are still welcome to participate. Every first Sunday of the month parents and grandparents are encouraged to bring their children, grandchildren to join the children's mass

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.

ROTA. A new Rota for readers and ministers of Holy Communion is now posted on the notice board. Please take note of the names of new ministers. Thanks to Sr Mary Carr for training them.

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.

HCPT FUND RAISING. Please support the sponsored walk of Helen Williams which is aimed to raise funds for the HCPT.

SVP. Please be reminded that there will be a meeting on 08 September, Monday, at 7:00 p.m.

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY. The chaplaincy is now preparing for the welcome days, 19 - 20 September and the Freshers' Fayre 23 - 24 September. 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.

EMERGENCY. For pastoral emergency please notify Canon Flook. Sr Bridget Guidera will be in charge of the parish in the absence of the priest-in-charge. Sr Bridget Mulvaney is the one in charge of the CathSoc in the absence of the chaplain.