



Parish of the Sacred Heart & St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

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Sunday 16th July 2017 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday 15 th July <i>Vigil for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. St Bonaventure</i> | 5.30pm 6.00pm | Confessions Holy Mass | Increase in Ordinations to the Priesthood |
| Sunday 16 th July <i>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Eileen Fay RIP |
| Monday 17 th July | | No Mass today | |
| Tuesday 18 th July | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Intentions of Margaret Cormack |
| Wednesday 19 th July | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Monica King RIP |
| Thursday 20 th July | 10.00am | Holy Mass School Leavers' Mass | Alfred A Ricketts RIP |
| Friday 21 st July | 9.00am 10.00am | Holy Hour Holy Mass | Eileen Anders RIP |
| Saturday 22 nd July <i>Vigil for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Feast of St. Mary Magdalene.</i> | 5.30pm 6.00pm | Confessions Holy Mass | Eddie Johnson RIP |
| Sunday 23 rd July <i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Intentions of David Morgan |

RIP: Please pray for the repose of all those who have died recently. We remember also those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for all the sick or housebound in our Parish and those who are particularly poorly at this time.

PARISH COLLECTIONS : Last week's offerings amounted to £562.16
Standing Orders for last week : £167.00
Thank you for your generosity

Parish Office. This week the parish office will be open on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30am – 12.30pm. The office is closed Monday and Friday this week.** If you have anything you would like included in the bulletin please submit it (email or in writing) by **Wednesday midday** at the latest.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 8th September – Quiz night 7.30pm start

Friday 22nd September – Bingo and Hotpot 7.30pm

Annual Accounts: The Annual Accounts Report is available for you to read in the porch. It will be on the board for three weeks. The Finance Committee would be pleased to answer any of your questions. Please call into the office during office hours.

July 2B1: Come and join us this Tuesday 18th July. Theme – ‘Our Favourites’. Sing, pray, eat, chat – Goodrington Methodist Church Hall at 7.30pm. Worship in a relaxed atmosphere with friends from different churches. All welcome.

Visitors: A warm welcome to any visitors attending Mass this week. Please feel free to have a coffee in the church hall after Sunday 10.00am Mass. It would be lovely to meet you.

Feast of St. Mary Magdalene (22nd July)

Pope Francis has decided to raise the celebration of St Mary Magdalene’s memorial to a feast day.

The status of a feast is higher than a memorial, but below a solemnity (such as Corpus Christi or Ss Peter and Paul).

It was noted that St Mary Magdalene was the first witness to the Resurrection, leading St Thomas Aquinas to call her the “Apostle of the Apostles” .

St Mary Magdalene is an example of true and authentic evangelisation; she is an evangelist who announces the joyful central message of Easter.

The Pope’s decision was also related to the Year of Mercy. “The Holy Father Francis took this decision precisely in the context of the Jubilee of Mercy to signify the importance of this woman who showed a great love for Christ and was much loved by Christ,” said Archbishop Roche.

In Catholic tradition, Mary Magdalene is identified with the “woman of the city” who, in the Gospels, comes into the house of Simon the Pharisee and washes the feet of Christ with her tears. Christ tells Simon: “I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much; but he who is forgiven little, loves little.”



St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection.

She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels.