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### **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time-Cycle B- (24 January 2021)**

#### **Sunday of the Word of God**

<b>Sun. 24 Jan.</b>	<b>10.0 am.</b>	<b>Mass- Streamed</b>	<b>Joan, Rina &amp; Liz</b>
<i>Mon. 25 Jan.</i>		<i>No Mass Today</i>	
<i>Tues. 26 Jan.</i>		<i>No Mass Today</i>	
<i>Wed. 27 Jan.</i>		<i>No Mass Today</i>	
<i>Thurs 28 Jan.</i>		<i>No Mass Today</i>	
<i>Fri. 29 Jan.</i>		<i>No Mass Today</i>	
<i>Sat. 30 Jan</i>		<i>No Mass Today</i>	
<b>Sun. 31 Jan.</b>	<b>10.0 am.</b>	<b>Mass - Streamed</b>	<b>Vocations to the Priesthood</b>

#### **Diocesan Prayer Link St. Joseph (Bridgwater), Our Lady & the English Martyrs (Burnham-on-Sea)**

#### **Scripture Readings This Week: (Year 1)**

**Mon.** Acts.22: 3-16. Mk.16: 15-18.

**Wed.** Heb.10: 11-18. Mk.4: 1-20.

**Fri.** Heb.10: 32-39. Mk.4: 26-34

**Tues.** 2 Tim.1: 1-8. Mk.3: 31-35.

**Thur.** Heb.10: 19-25. Mk.4: 21-25.

**Sat.** Heb.11: 1-2, 8-19. Mk.4: 35-41.

#### **Feast Days & Memorials This Week**

**Mon.** Conversion of St. Paul **Tues.** Ss.Timothy & Titus **Wed.** St. Angela Merici

**Thurs.** St. Thomas Aquinas

**Sick & Housebound** – Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, in particular, those recently sick – Stephen Hooper, Tom Lewis, Lena Buck, Harry Jenkins, Kathleen Farrell, John Shoemake, Simon Jenkins, William Hewitt, Malachi Moran, Wayne Parrock, Mary Sheehan, Miriam King, Carmel Jenkins, James Barr, Aileen Milkins, Sophie Dewland, Lorna Sandland, Kate Smith, Peter Cooke, Mary Mulcahy.

**Please also remember in your prayers all whose anniversaries occur at this time-** George Ridge, Kathleen Anglin, Eugene Ross, Phil Torrens, George Economedes, George McInerney May Moran, Carmela Zaffuto, Dolores Moore, Ron Fackrell, Frederick Rich, Mary Wallace, Maria Czergezan, Molly Brown, Veronica Brown, John Gardner, Evelyn Cox, Elizabeth Healey, Paddy Coleman

#### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention-January**

That the Lord will give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

#### **Cafod "100 Club"**

The third draw of 2020.2021 was made on Sunday 10 January 2021 and the prize-winners were as follows:-

First £68.25 Oscar Henry (71), 2. £40.95 Pam Irvin (94), 3. £27.30 Mike Sullivan (21)

#### **Donations towards Parish Funds,**

While the church remains closed to the public, weekly offertory donations may be still made by using the parish offertory envelopes and depositing through the presbytery letter box or using your own envelopes clearly marked with intended destination. Donations for all purposes may also be made electronically via the parish web site or by Standing Order. All cheques should be made payable to "St. Gerard Majella."

## **UCM**

We received a request from the President General of the WUCWO (The World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations) asking if we could join them in a prayer related to one of the resolutions that they adopted at their General Assembly in Dakar this year, 2021, the prayer focuses on resolution number 3: **Let us eliminate discrimination and violence against women.** The prayer was prepared by their Vice President General, Maribeth Stewart

Dear Lord,

We pray for all touched by the evil of violence:

For the victim survivors;

For children who have experienced or witnessed violence;

For the family and friends of those abused;

For those who could have intervened but did not;

For the abusers;

For those lost to violence.

Please let them know that You, God, are with them at all times, even in their darkest hours.

Give the women of WUCWO the opportunity and courage to be educated and to educate about this issue, to know the resources available, and the path to follow to help those in situations of violence, and the courage to act.

Guide all your children to cultures of peace where the dignity of each person is respected. Where cultural or legislative change is required, grant us to collaborate and work to achieve this change.

Please give all women the strength, wisdom, compassion, and grace to know and bring your message of love and hope to our families, our communities, our countries, and our world.

We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Peace.

Amen.

## **SIGNED MASS FOR THE DEAF LIVE-STREAMED FROM ST NICK'S CHURCH:**

*Because of the Covid restrictions it is not possible for the Deaf Community to come to St Nick's for their normal monthly Signed Mass - so we are live-streaming our parish's 10am Mass with Signing by Sherrie Eugene-Hart every First Sunday of the Month (live-streamed from parish website: [www.tolentino.org](http://www.tolentino.org) then click on 'St Nick's live-streamed Mass' page).*

*Many of our Catholic deaf sisters and brothers feel very isolated at the best of times and these are not the best of times! Most are not aware of the Catholic Deaf Association or the monthly Signed Mass, so please try to contact them with this information - maybe print this poster off as an A5 flyer for distribution as well as A4 on the church notice board. If you can, please either email Fr Richard McKay (email: [richard.mckay@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:richard.mckay@cliftondiocese.com)) with their contact details or ask them to do so. We want to make this Diocesan Ministry among the Deaf community as available as possible - please help us to do so. Thank you!*

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