

Sunday 2 July 2017

St Kentigern's RC Church

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This week's Services and Mass Intentions

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| Sunday: | Thirteenth Sunday of the Year | |
| 10.15 am | Mass | Vincenzo Janetta |
| Monday: | | |
| 10.00 am | No Service | |
| Tuesday: | | |
| 10.00 am | Mass | Adeline & Thomas Blackwood |
| Wednesday: | | |
| 10.00 am | Mass | Rose Boyle |
| Thursday: | | |
| 10.00 am | Mass | Mary Kernan |
| Friday: | | |
| 10.00 am | Mass | |
| Saturday: | | |
| 10.00 am | Mass | |
| Sunday: | Fourteenth Sunday of the Year | |
| 10.15 am | Mass | Danny O'Donnell |

The Church is open for prayer every day from 9.00 am until after Mass.

Every Wednesday there is tea and coffee after Mass in the Parish Room.

The Special Collection today is for Peter's Pence. Peter's Pence is the name given to the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their sharing in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the Universal Church and for the relief of those most in need.

Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Welcome Mass, prior to the Pilgrimage, St Cuthbert's Church, Slateford Road, TODAY at 3pm. All welcome.

St Kentigern's Community Lunch: Tuesday 4 July 12.30 pm – 2.00 pm. We encourage parishioners and friends to come along to meet and socialise over a light lunch of soup and sandwiches, cake and refreshments. All welcome.

A SPUC Scotland Petition is available at the back of the Church to oppose the campaign which is pushing to have abortion legalised at all stages and for any reason.. Please sign the petition to help mobilise opposition to this threat to future generations of children.

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Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

(Year A/Weekdays 1)

Sunday Liturgy: Order of Mass: 479

Hymns:

See Hymn Boards for numbers

Summary of Readings:

Zechariah 9:9-10 *The messianic king is portrayed, not as a proud warrior, but as a humble and gentle champion of peace for all peoples.*

Romans 8:9,11-13 *St Paul contrasts life 'in the spirit' with 'life in the flesh'.*

Matthew 11:25-30 *Jesus reveals the Father to those who are 'little', and lightens the burdens of those who are humble.*

Today's Liturgy: Life is busy. Whether we are in school, college, working, or juggling family life with all sorts of other commitments, there is sometimes little time to pause and take stock of things. It can be hard to find time to reflect on how our faith is faring. When we do get a minute to assess things, do we find ourselves wanting? Many of us have the idea that we would like to live better lives, to be more caring, to help those in need. We would like to live up to what Jesus asks of us, if only we had time to do more. This desire to do better is an important element of our Christian journey. But often we imagine that this will require some sort of grand gesture or dramatic change of direction.

If we are paralysed or overwhelmed by what we can't do, Jesus has some good news for us today. A cup of water isn't much, and offering hospitality to a stranger might not seem like a big deal, but that is where Jesus starts. Instructing his twelve disciples, he tells them that anyone who welcomes them or offers them a cup of cold water will be rewarded. What's more, he adds that anyone who welcomes them in fact welcomes Jesus, the one who sent them. Small acts of kindness and hospitality have significance beyond what we might expect. No matter how busy we are, there are opportunities every day to offer a cup of water here, or a helping hand there. All these small things play their part in building up God's kingdom. (Reflection by Triona Doherty)

Financial Matters:

Last Sunday's Collection: £592.50

Contributions by Standing Order: £234.69

Church Cleaning: Team 1

Tea Team for Next Sunday: 2

The Archbishop will celebrate a Requiem Mass for Father Martin Xavier Vazhachira CMI RIP at the Cathedral on Thursday 6 July at 12.45pm.

