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**SACRED HEART FATHERS**

*Fr. Jim Matthews, scj - Fr Blaise Nsangou, scj - Deacon Terry Simms*

Saturday	14	5 pm	Sheila Sanderson	Recently Deceased
Sunday	15	11.30 am	Eamon Regan	Anniversary <b>5th Sunday of Easter (C)</b>
Monday	16	12 noon	John Kelly	Anniversary
Tuesday	17	12 noon	Jackie Leonard	Recently Deceased
Wednesday	18	12 noon	The Barrow Family	Deceased
Thursday	19	12 noon	Teresa Burke	1st Anniversary
Friday	20	12 noon	Clifford Marsh	Recently Deceased
Saturday	21	5 pm	Don Somerville	Recently Deceased
Sunday	22	11.30 am	Vera Jenkins	Birthday Remembrance

**We pray for our sick:** Vera Henderson, Mary McTigue, Catherine Neuman, Deacon Bernard McConnell, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, Haydan Fletcher, Frank Hollingworth, John McCormick, Tina Labella, Margaret Runcieman, Sandra Mooney, Roy Curran, Teresa Grice, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Graham Hindson, Alwyn McCann, Winifred Leanaghan, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh, Patricia Mounsey.

**Anniversaries:** Eamon Regan, John Kelly, Teresa Burke, Vera Jenkins

**Lately Dead:** Don Somerville, Sheila Sanderson, Jackie Leonard, Tony Horton.

**St Francis Xavier Foreign Mission Society.**

**Xaverian Missionaries** have been assigned to our diocese this year. We welcome Father Patrick Duffy, s.x., Provincial, amongst us to do the appeal this weekend at St Joseph's, 14 /15 May.

**PLATINUM JUBILEE OF QUEEN ELIZABETH 11**

As our primary school will be on holidays on Jubilee Day, Friday 3rd June, we are having our school celebrations in honour of the Queen this coming Friday 20th May. The morning celebrations begin at 9.30 with a May Procession from school to church. In Crowning Our Blessed Lady, we will ask her to continue blessing our Queen of the United Kingdom and 14 other Commonwealth realms. As parishioners we hope to join the school procession at the front entrance via the Parish hall and follow the children along St Petersgate and Tatton Street to the church crowning.

**FOOTSTEPS.** Do come on **Thursday 19 May at 7.30pm to St Peter's parish centre, Green Lane, Hazel Grove. SK7 4EA** to hear **Mary Hardiman** present her thoughts on "What I want is mercy". Always a captivating and thought provoking speaker, Mary will be looking at what mercy means and how it reflects the heart of God. She will offer examples from the gospels and suggestions on how we can practise mercy. Footsteps is a series of talks by people who can help us on our Christian journey. There's an informal café-style setting with refreshments, nibbles and a pleasant community feel.

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice alleluia.

R. For He whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For Christ, your Son, has risen, alleluia.

Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the whole world through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant we beseech you, that through the prayers of His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

**Acts 14: 21 – 27** *They gave an account to the church of all that God had done with them.*

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

**Psalm 144** **R/** I will bless your name forever, O God my King.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion; slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R/**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord; and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign: and declare your might, O God,  
to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **R/**

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **R/**

**Apocalypse 21:1-5** *A vision of the heavenly Jerusalem, the bride of the Lamb*

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Jesus said: I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you. Alleluia! Jn13:34

**John 13:31-35** *In the Son of Man, God has been glorified.*

When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. 'My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples

**SUNDAY TEAS.** St Joseph's intend to recommence Sunday teas/coffee after 11.30am Mass on Sunday 22nd May 2022, after almost 30 months of staying safe. The weather will be warmer and hopefully we will be able to have doors open to keep an air-flow through the Parish Hall. We will request that Parishioners leave Church by the main door, turn right and enter the Hall via the outer door. We ask that you wear a face mask, collect your drink and only remove your face mask when you are seated at a table. We look forward to seeing you all again.

**PROTECTING LIFE The Mission of SPUC**

You are invited to an important meeting to hear about the work of SPUC and to find out how you can help build a culture of life in your local area. The next meeting in this area is on Thursday 19th May at 7.30 pm in St Joseph's Parish Hall, Etchells Street, St Petersgate, SK1 1EF. Come and hear the Pro-Life message. The serious issue of coerced abortion. The impact of abortion on the mental health of women. The threat of assisted suicide. Learn how SPUC works to end abortion. Hosted by the Men and Women of St Joseph.