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9/10 FEBRUARY 2019 FIFTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME-YEAR C

Saturday	9th	5:00pm		Remigio Sanniti and Concetta Manillo
Sunday	10th	9:00 am 11:00 am	5th Sunday	Kathleen and Henry Boyle Maria Keith Int
Monday	11th	9:30am	Feria	Holy Souls
Tuesday	12th	9:30am	Feria	Tina Lovellen R.I.P
Wednesday	13th	9:30am	Feria	Annie and Joseph Bergamini
Friday	15th	9:00am	Benediction and Mass	Bill Hynes Anniv.
Saturday	16th	5:00 pm		
Sunday	17th	9:00 am 11:00 am	6th Sunday Ordinary time	
Sacrament of Reconciliation:		Saturday 4:30-pm		

We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Julia Abimbola, Terry Brisbane, Peggy, Pead, Josephine, Martin, and Nadia Ramasaway. We remember Collin Walsh, Thomas Rooney, Salvatore Piaquadio and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 Isaiah responds to God's call with enthusiasm

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 How Paul (least of the apostles) came late to believe in Christ

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 Awed by the miraculous catch of fish, Peter is called to follow Christ

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK —Jesus isn't afraid to have a sinful disciple near him. On the contrary, if Peter feels himself to be a sinner, he can better understand Jesus' message of forgiveness for everyone and his welcoming of sinners and the undesirables. 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is people you will be catching'. Jesus takes away Peter's fear of being a sinful disciple and joins him to his mission of reuniting and gathering men and women of every condition to enter into God's saving project. Why does the Church so resist recognizing her sins and confessing her need of conversion? The Church is Jesus Christ's, but she isn't Jesus Christ. No one can miss seeing sin in her. The Church is 'holy' because she lives animated by the Holy Spirit of Jesus, but she is 'sinful' because she does not often resist that Spirit and wander away from the Gospel. Sin is in believers and in institutions; in the hierarchy and in God's people; in pastors and in Christian communities. We all need conversion. It's very serious to accustom ourselves to hiding the truth, since this keeps us from committing ourselves to a process of conversion and renovation. On the other hand, isn't it more evangelical to be a fragile and vulnerable Church, one that has the courage to recognize her sin, than to be an institution uselessly bent on covering up her wretchedness from the world? Aren't our communities more believable when they collaborate with Christ in the evangelizing task, humbly recognizing their sins and committing themselves to a life that is each day more evangelical? Don't we have a lot to learn even today from the great apostle Peter, recognizing his sinfulness at Jesus' feet?

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2019 (SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND)

In our task as disciples of Christ, our responsibility is to make sure people are treated with dignity at work and are not exploited. Funds raised through next week's collection will be used for promoting racial justice in England and Wales.

CARDINAL'S MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Cardinal through the Parish Priest is inviting all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th 10th 25th 30th 40th 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic Marriage in 2019 at Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 8 June at 3pm. Give the following details to Fr Clement; Husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email or telephone number.

OPEN DAY ST SCHOLASTICA'S RETREAT

Is this for you OR for someone you know? St Scholastica's Retreat – Open Day – Saturday, 16th February, 2019 The Retreat offers sheltered housing to practising Catholics aged 60 or over in 36 self-contained flats at £491pcm – more information on the poster and from The Warden: Deacon Seán Duffy – Princes Risborough (01844) 344437. Email: <mailto:info@stscholasticas.co.uk>

NEW APPROACHES TO INTERRELIGIOUS UNDERSTANDING BY THE SION CENTRE

A series given by Professor Michael Barnes SJ

Reading Sacred Places offers a new and enriching approach to understanding different traditions. We will focus particularly on Christianity and the Indian religions and communities that are our neighbours in contemporary London. Dates still to occur. Sunday 3rd March 2019. Sunday 14th April 2019. Time: 2.00pm – 4.00pm (Tea / Coffee from 1.30pm) Suggested Donation: £10 each day

CHURCHES NIGHT SHELTER

The Broxbourne Night Shelter, organised by Churches Together in Broxbourne, and hosted on individual nights by seven different Churches in the Borough, is now underway. Please pray over the next two months for the success of the Project, and for all those involved, both the guests and the volunteers. Thank you to all the volunteers.

PRAYER FOR YEMEN

CAFOD are inviting everyone to pray for the people of Yemen and the desperate situation in that country. The suffering in Yemen is one of the gravest humanitarian crises in the world today. After nearly four years of war, more than 14 million people are facing starvation and 85,000 children may already have died from extreme hunger since 2015. There is some hope in Yemen, with a ceasefire brokered in December promising to restore the Hodeida port and allow food and medicine into the country. CAFOD has worked through partners in Yemen since 2016, and while we welcomed the UK government's announcement last week that it will uplift funding to the UN Peace process in Yemen by £2.5 million, we know that the situation is so desperate that more needs to be done.

JUSTICE AND PEACE

What is Justice and Peace? It's about wanting to make a difference, witnessing to gospel values in society, not only by helping those close at hand, or sending gifts overseas, but asking why problems are arising, and whether we can speak up for change. We are currently working on such things as climate protection, Fairtrade, the refugee situation, and peace in the Middle East. Justice and Peace reps can publicise our work, maintain a parish notice board, or raise awareness in the parish. Can you be your parish Justice and Peace representative? Contact the office at <mailto:justice@rcdow.org.uk>

COMMUNITY PRAYER-HOLY HOUR EVERY FRIDAY AT 9.00 AM

We gather every Friday at 9:00 am for Benediction. This is a community prayer that lasts for thirty minutes and it is followed immediately by the Mass. You are all being encouraged to be part of this spiritually rewarding devotion.

OFFERTORY LAST WEEK; Envelopes £305.50, Loose plate of £317.85, candles £48.69. Total £668.04. THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELP WITH THE CHURCH LITURGY, ADMINISTRATION, FLOWERS AND CLEANING AND FOR THE OFFERINGS INCLUDING STANDING ORDERS