

## **First Reading Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10**

### **A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah**

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon: all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the Book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!'; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read. Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law. Then he said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.

### **The Word of the Lord**

#### **Thanks be to God**

## **Responsorial Psalm. Psalm 18:8-10, 15**

### **Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.**

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of the just.

May the spoken words of my mouth,  
the thoughts of my heart,  
win favour in your sight, O Lord,  
my rescuer, my rock!

## **Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-30**

### **A Reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised. Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot was to say 'I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, 'I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean it was not part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything? Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I do not need you,' nor can the head say to the feet, 'I do not need you.' What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it. Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first

place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the give of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

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## **Gospel Acclamation**

### **Alleluia alleluia!**

**The Lord has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives.**

### **Alleluia!**

## **Gospel Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21**

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Lord be with you

### **And with your spirit.**

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee: and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

## **The Gospel of the Lord.**

### **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Fratelli Tutti**

### **A UNIVERSAL LOVE THAT PROMOTES PERSONS**

106. Social friendship and universal fraternity necessarily call for an acknowledgement of *the worth of every human person*, always and everywhere. If each individual is of such great worth, it must be stated clearly and firmly that "the mere fact that some people are born in places with fewer resources or less development does not justify the fact that they are living with less dignity".<sup>[81]</sup> This is a basic principle of social life that tends to be ignored in a variety of ways by those who sense that it does not fit into their worldview or serve their purposes.

107. Every human being has the right to live with dignity and to develop integrally; this fundamental right cannot be denied by any country. People have this right even if they are unproductive, or were born with or developed limitations. This does not detract from their great dignity as human persons, a dignity based not on circumstances but on the intrinsic worth of their being. Unless this basic principle is upheld, there will be no future either for fraternity or for the survival of humanity.

<b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 2022</b>			
<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Horbury Family RIP	St. MM
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	Ann Lockwood RIP	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Dick McNicholas Anniversary	Bl Sac
<u>Saturday</u>	Reader	Michael Jones	St M M
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Chris Horbury & Ann Worth	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Stella	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>	10.00 am	No Mass	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	10.00 am	No Mass	St M M
<u>Friday</u>	10.00 am	No Mass	Bl Sac

#### **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00 PM</b>	<b>DIVINE MERCY GROUP</b>	<b>ST MM</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9.30 AM</b>	<b>WOODHEAD FAMILY RIP</b>	<b>ST TER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11.30 AM</b>	<b>ANNIE &amp; ERNEST OATES RIP</b>	<b>BL SAC</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>PAM KERSHAW</b>	<b>ST MM</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>CHRIS KELLY &amp; CHRIS DEIGHTON</b>	<b>ST TER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>ANN H</b>	<b>BL SAC</b>

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. The Diocese strongly recommends the use of face masks except if you are exempt.
2. We encourage the use of hand sanitizers while entering and leaving the church.
3. While taking your seat please give space, unless a family group.
4. We encourage parishioners NOT to kneel until further notice.
5. Offertory plates are still provided at the entrance and exit doors.
6. For Holy Communion, come to the front one seat at a time maintaining a good distance.
7. We recommend regular Covid testing. Thank you for your support in these challenging times.

#### **OFFERTORY DONATIONS**

Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous offertory donations.

St Ter	Envelopes £128.00	Loose Money £25.00	
St MM	Envelopes £108.00	Loose Money £62.80	Monthly D/D £350.00
Bl Sac	Envelopes £151.00	Loose Money £75.19	Raffle £31.50

Blessed Sacrament – full church clean – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am  
All welcome to come along and help.

St Mary Magdalene - Marist Way Meeting  
New day and time Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 10.00 am

St Mary Magdalene – Divine Mercy Devotion  
2.45 – 3.30 pm each week on Wednesdays

HALLAM LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 24<sup>TH</sup> June – 30<sup>TH</sup> June Price: £675.00  
Please see poster at the back of church for further details.

Parish Collection Congregation of the Missions – £220.00 many thanks to all parishioners for their generosity – Fr Peter

St Teresa's

Blessed Sacrament

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**SYNOD - A TWO YEAR 'SYNODAL' PROCESS  
IS TAKING PLACE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

What do we need to do to transform our parish communities?

Make sure your voice is heard by joining in the  
Deanery Open Synod Discussion Group on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January  
10.00 – 12.30 pm at St Michaels Church, Wombwell.

And the following Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February Parish Open Synod Discussion Group  
at St Mary Magdalene 10.00 – 12.00pm

#### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Throughout the pandemic the SVP in our three parishes continued to keep in touch with our beneficiaries. We did a total of 115 visits and made 27 phone calls. We also made 1 clothing donation and purchased a fridge/freezer for someone who was unable to purchase one due to their financial situation. We also provided 155 food vouchers for those in need. The majority of the vouchers were given to local schools for them to distribute to families who they knew were in particular need. We applied for grants from the SVP and managed to obtain a total of £3335.00. Please see the notice boards in church for a spreadsheet showing how the funds were distributed between April 2020 and February 2022. **To support their work, we are having a second collection on the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022.** If you are interested in joining our parish conference or wish to know more please speak with a member.





