

## **First Reading 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23**

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

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him. The Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them. David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

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

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

### **Responsorial Psalm. Psalm 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13**

#### **The Lord is compassion and love.**

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
Nor repay us according to our faults.

As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.  
As a father has compassion on his sons,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him.

### **Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:45-49**

#### **A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.**

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

The word of the Lord.

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

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia alleluia!**

**Open our heart Lord, to accept the words of your Son.**

**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel Luke 6:27-38**

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

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

The Lord be with you

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

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

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

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

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#### *The value of solidarity*

114. I would like especially to mention solidarity, which, "as a moral virtue and social attitude born of personal conversion, calls for commitment on the part of those responsible for education and formation. I think first of families, called to a primary and vital mission of education. Families are the first place where the values of love and fraternity, togetherness and sharing, concern and care for others are lived out and handed on. They are also the privileged milieu for transmitting the faith, beginning with those first simple gestures of devotion which mothers teach their children. Teachers, who have the challenging task of training children and youth in schools or other settings, should be conscious that their responsibility extends also to the moral, spiritual and social aspects of life. The values of freedom, mutual respect and solidarity can be handed on from a tender age... Communicators also have a responsibility for education and formation, especially nowadays, when the means of information and communication are so widespread".<sup>[87]</sup>

115. At a time when everything seems to disintegrate and lose consistency, it is good for us to appeal to the "solidity"<sup>[88]</sup> born of the consciousness that we are responsible for the fragility of others as we strive to build a common future. Solidarity finds concrete expression in service, which can take a variety of forms in an effort to care for others. And service in great part means "caring for vulnerability, for the vulnerable members of our families, our society, our people". In offering such service, individuals learn to "set aside their own wishes and desires, their pursuit of power, before the concrete gaze of those who are most vulnerable... Service always looks to their faces, touches their flesh, senses their closeness and even, in some cases, 'suffers' that closeness and tries to help them. Service is never ideological, for we do not serve ideas, we serve people".<sup>[89]</sup>

POPE FRANCIS

<b>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 2022</b>			
<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Jenny Baker	St. MM
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	Janet Robinson RIP	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Rachel Bullock RIP	Bl Sac
<u>Saturday</u>	Reader	Jenny Baker	St M M
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Chris Horbury & Ann Worth	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Margaret H	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>9.30 am</u>	Kathleen Purcell's Special Intentions	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>9.30 am</u>	Phil Simmons	St M M
<u>Friday</u>	<u>9.30 am</u>	Veronica Ross RIP	Bl Sac

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

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00 PM</b>	<b>GARRY HAIGH RIP</b>	<b>ST MM</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9.30 AM</b>	<b>FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN</b>	<b>ST TER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11.30 AM</b>	<b>SR CHRISTINA RIP</b>	<b>BL SAC</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>PETER McDERMOTT</b>	<b>ST MM</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>MARY ANN BAILEY &amp; CHRIS KELLY</b>	<b>ST TER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>MARIE</b>	<b>BL SAC</b>

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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 Bl Sac Envelopes £160.00 Loose Money £90.18 Raffle £27.00

#### **Blessed Sacrament - The RCIA Course (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

is a process developed to help prospective adult converts to the Catholic faith. It is equally beneficial to all Catholics for deepening of the Faith. Tuesdays 6.30 pm Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### **Blessed Sacrament** This year hosting the WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 10.30 (approx. 45 mins) Theme for 2022 – 'I know the plans I have for you'. See poster for more details - everyone welcome to attend.

**Blessed Sacrament** – Please come and help clean your Church Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am EVERYONE IS WELCOME, MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!

**St Mary Magdalene** – Marist Way Meeting Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 10.00 am

There is no longer a legal requirement to wear a face mask. But we would like to ask people to continue to wear a mask unless exempt. We need to look after each other. Thank you for your cooperation. It is much appreciated. Fr. Peter

St Teresa's

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**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time Year C**

*Treat others as you would like  
them to treat you.*

*If you love those who love you,  
what thanks can you expect?*

*Even sinners love those who love them...*

*Be compassionate as your  
Father is compassionate.*

*Do not judge, and you will  
not be judged yourselves...*

*the amount you measure out  
is the amount you will  
be given back...*





