



NEWSLETTER

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Hazel (Holly) Grimoldby, Paul Kruss, Matthew Upham, Sylvia Hughes, Frank Bertorelli, Peggy Ridge.

WE REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Michael O'Loughlin, John Cautley, Margaret Proberts, Fred Newman, Patricia Nicholson, Margaret Dickason, Thelma Beach, Cecilia Brown, Paula Corthine, Christine Gamblin, Monique Lyons, David Marshall, Rodney Steele, Maria Pridmore, Brenda Shackleton, Norah Corcoran, Joanna Clasby, Ursula Lanfranchi, Richard O'Connell, Bishop Rudderham, Fr. Stacey, Pat Taylor, Ernest Williams, Mamie Rellis, Poppy Moran, Sidney Verrier, Mary Hardwell, Mary Kirtley, Dr Mike Kellaway-Marriott, Monique Gregory, Gloria Weaver, Marguerite Forscutt, Betty Grinter, Delia De Val, Doreen Hickson, Leslie Allen, Tessa Hickman.

AND THOSE WHO ARE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Mary Ann Estonido Mariano, Eileen Strickland, Mary Toomey, Brian Toomey, Elizabeth Smart, Brian Smart, Julia Tucker, Catherine Twomey, Sister Theresa Smythe, Sue Atkins, Madeleine Page, Alma Hamilton, Jill Tansley, Anna Hradil, Penny Watson, Michael O'Connell, Paul Thorpe, Maureen Hughes, Anna Bingham, Mary Hutchings, Margarita Gibson, Anne King, Graham King, Mavis Parsons, Marie Mackay, Richard Fairfax, Roger Dore, Florencia Duga, Sandra Jones, Christopher Browne, Eveleen O'Farrell, Jane Tolfree, Carmel Allan, Sean Carroll, Martin Connolly, Joseph Hughes, Imogen Jenkins, Paul Jones, Riza Carol Khan, Esther Page, Lochlan Quinlan, Sr Raymond SSJA, Michael Sigsworth, Vera Terry, Mary Wallace.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

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| Sat | 7 th | 5:30pm | St John Fisher | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | People of the Parishes |
| Sun | 8 th | 8:00am | St George | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Corazon Baylen RIP |
| Sun | 8 th | 9:15am | St George | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Maria Mateus RIP |
| Sun | 8 th | 11:00am | St Teresa | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Maureen Murphy RIP |
| Mon | 9 th | 9:30am | St George | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Josephine Kennedy RIP |
| Tues | 10 th | 9:30am | St George | Memorial of St Scholastica | The Smith Family |
| Tues | 10 th | 1:15pm | Musgrove Chapel | Memorial of St Scholastica | Mary Ann Mariano |
| Wed | 11 th | 9:30am | St George | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Norman Surridge RIP |
| Wed | 11 th | 6:15pm | St George | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Michael John Kellaway Marriott RIP |
| Thurs | 12 th | 9:30am | St John Fisher | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Leslie Frederick Allen RIP |
| Thurs | 12 th | 12:30pm | St George | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Iêda Maria Borges RIP |
| Fri | 13 th | 10:00am | St Teresa | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Minnie Crossman RIP |
| Sat | 14 th | 9:30am | St George | Weekday in Ordinary Time | Louise Loveridge RIP |
| Sat | 14 th | 5:30pm | St John Fisher | Feast of Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius | People of the Parishes |
| Sun | 15 th | 8:00am | St George | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | John Baptist Menezes RIP |
| Sun | 15 th | 9:15am | St George | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Roy and Sean Strickland RIP |
| Sun | 15 th | 11:00am | St Teresa | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Jo and Mike Honan RIP |

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In his sermon on the Mount, Jesus compares his disciples to salt and light. Notice that these two realities exist not for themselves but for something else.

In Jesus' time salt was not valued for itself, but for the way it preserved meat and enhanced the flavour of other foods. Similarly, light isn't meant for itself; rather, we see things by it.

In our rather privatized culture, we tend to think of religion as something for ourselves; but on the biblical reading, religiosity is like salt and light: it is meant not for oneself but for others.

Perhaps we can bring these two images together by saying that we find salvation for ourselves precisely in the measure that we bring God's life to others.

Followers of Jesus are meant to be salt, which effectively preserves what is best in the society around them, And they are also light by which people around them come to see what is worth seeing.

By the very quality and integrity of our lives, we shed light, illuminating what is beautiful and revealing what is ugly. The implication is that, without vibrant Christians, the world is a much worse place.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY EXTRA MASSES: on Wednesday 18th February there will be extra masses at: St John Fisher at 11am, St Teresa at 12:30pm, St George at 7pm.

PALMS: please place any palms from last year in the basket by the side door of St George. These will be used to prepare the ashes for the Masses on Ash Wednesday.

ST JOHN FISHER: there will be four Lenten Lunch discussion groups at St. John Fisher. The first will be on Wednesday 25th February; the second on Wednesday 4th March. They will start at 12 and finish at 1.30. The dates of the two other discussions will be later in March. Please bring a packed lunch. Hot drinks will be provided. If you have a Sunday missal please bring it with you, though this is not essential. Everyone is welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

TAIZE SERVICE: 3.30pm this Sunday 8th February, St Georges Church, followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. All are welcome. If you would like to play an instrument or sing in the choir there will be a practice in the Church from 2.30pm prior to the service, please can you let the Parish Office know.

LEGION OF MARY: come and join The Legion of Mary to discover The Holy Face Devotion: Perfect Reparation (1:09:34) this Sunday 8th February 10:30 in the Catholic Centre.

PARISH LENT SOUPS: take place after the 12.30pm Mass at St George's in the Catholic Centre starting on Thursday, February 19. Subsequent soups on Feb 26, March 5, 12, 19 and 26. All welcome. Donations to charity.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH ORGAN: is now showing its age and is becoming unpredictable. Our apologies if it becomes too loud or soft. Thank you for your kind understanding in this matter

CONFESION TIMES: At St George's: Sat 10am-10:30am;

Thurs 12 noon -12:30pm

At St Teresa's: Fri 9:30am -10am at St John Fisher: Sat 5pm-5:25pm

ADORATION TIMES:

At St George Tues-Sun-6:30am-7:30am;
Wed 6:30am-8:30am; Tue-Fri 5-6pm; Thurs 12 -12:25pm; Fri 5:00am – 9:00pm
Saturdays 10am-11am (Children's Holy hour);
St John Fisher: Wed 5pm-6pm; Thurs 10-12pm

BENEDICTION: 7pm Fridays at St George's Catholic Church

PARISH COMMUNITIES & FELLOWSHIPS:

LEGION OF MARY: meet Thursday 6:30-pm in the Catholic Centre. All welcome

AFRICAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP: meet the first Sunday of every month from 10:30am in the Parish Centre.

PINOY CLUB: meet the third Sunday of every month from 10:30am in the Parish Centre.

NOTICES

Diocesan Prayer Link: Immaculate Conception, Devizes, with Lavington.

Standing Orders: 01/02/2026

St George: £2153.42 St Teresa: £369.92

St John Fisher: £176.08

Offertory Collection: 01/02/2026

St George: £1059.99 St Teresa: £396.07

St John Fisher: £225

FUNERAL MASS: for Margaret (Peggy) Ridge will take place at St Teresa Church on Thursday 12th February at 10am.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Please register for confirmation now via our website under the "Sacraments" tab. The deadline for registration is the 18th February 2026.

FAIRTRADE: available at: St John Fisher on Saturday 14th Feb; St Teresa on Sunday 15th Feb; St George on Sunday 22nd Feb. All proceeds to the project in Malawi.

DIOCESAN DAY: Bishop Bosco warmly invites you to join him on 4 July for our Diocesan Day celebration entitled: 'The Joy of Love' at Downside School & Abbey. Register and info: at: <https://joyoflove.eventbrite.co.uk> .

BRING AND SHARE: Sunday 22nd February at St Teresa. List at the back of the church.

PRAYER GROUPS:

Charismatic Prayer Group: every Wednesday 10am-11.30am St. George's Centre

Led Holy Hour: St George's on the last Wednesday of the month 7:30-8:30pm

Mother's Prayer: Every other Thurs 8-10pm Parish Centre.

Prepare for Sunday praying the Mass readings together: 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 1pm in the Parish Centre.

Pray the Rosary: Tues 6:15pm St George's Church; 1st Tuesday of the month at 10:30am St John Fisher Church.

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRIES:

1st weekend each month after all Masses except 8am & after Mass on 3rd Sat at St. George.

Appointments are available by mail: healing@tauntonvalecatholics.com