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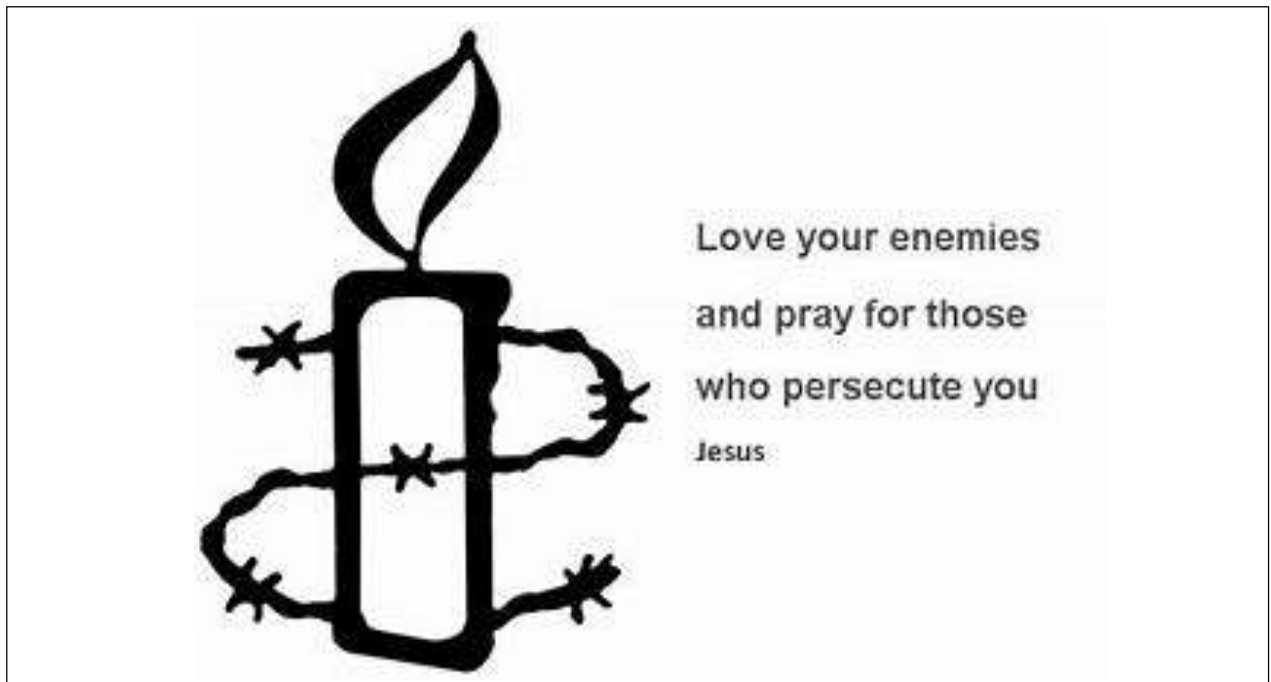
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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19/20 February 2022

“Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.”

John 13, 34

Following professional and medical advice, Monsignor Patrick H Daly has asked the Archdiocese to take a leave of absence from active parish ministry to rest and recuperate.

This request has been granted.

The parish will be updated on any further developments and the weekend Sunday Masses will proceed as usual.

There will be an opportunity for a more extensive liturgical program in due course so please check the parish website and the bulletin for any updates.

Please keep Monsignor Patrick in your prayers.

EASTER FLOWER DECORATIONS

Following the success of the Christmas wreath making, an evening making Easter door decorations has been planned. Bring your own flowers of choice and Paul will guide you in making a fabulous decoration. Indulge in a cheeky glass of wine and an evening of fun.

Date: Thurs 31st March

Time: 7.15pm

Place: Cenacle

Cost: donation of £25

Message Tina [07753 605 972] to secure a place.

MARGARET'S EL CAMINO DE SANTIAGO TREK

Margaret, who some of you may know as a parish steward, will be walking 100KM of The Camino way from the 4th - 10th May, raising funds for Thames Hospice. If you can support her please follow the link to her Just Giving page where there is more information about the hospice and an opportunity to sponsor her and support the wonderful work they do.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/margaret-thomas9>

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tony McAdden, a well-loved and long standing member of the parish.

Tony's body will be received into the church at 4pm on Thursday 3rd March and his requiem Mass will take place on Friday 4th March at 1pm.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:

- ❖ **CLEANERS:** contact the parish office to say what you can do and when
- ❖ **TEA/COFFEE IN THE CENACLE:** speak to Sharon after Mass.

The more hands, the lighter the work.



OUR LADY'S LAMP

This week's lamp is lit for:
Martin Thomas, may he rest in peace

PARISH INCOME

Jan Contactless Sunday offering: £ 666.00

Jan Contactless Building Fund: £ 50.00

Monthly Standing Orders: £2935.00

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C – Luke)

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the [Beatitudes](#). Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing.

Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behaviour of his followers with the behaviour of “sinners.” In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behaviour desired with the behaviour of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy.

In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.

Mass Intentions for Seventh week in Ordinary Time

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Saturday	19 th February	17.30	Cecilia Cher
Sunday	20 th February	10.00	People of the parish

Monday 21st February No Mass
St Peter Damian, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Tuesday 22nd February No Mass
Feast of the Chair of St Peter the Apostle

Wednesday 23rd February No Mass
Memorial of St Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr

Thursday 24th February No Mass
Thursday of week 7 in Ordinary Time

Friday 25th February No Mass
Friday of week 7 in Ordinary Time

Saturday 26th February No Mass
Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Saturday	26 th February	17.30	Peggy Hill – recently deceased
Sunday	27 th February	10.00	Janka Grestiakova – blessings and good health

Rosary before Saturday evening Mass