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### PARISH NEWSLETTER - SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2020

#### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

DATE	DETAILS	SERVICE	TIME
<b>Sunday 13 September</b>	<b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>Mass (Polish) Mass Mass (Polish)</b>	<b>09.00 10.30 13.00</b>
Tuesday 15 September	Our Lady of Sorrows	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Wednesday 16 September	St Ninian	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Thursday 17 September	24 <sup>th</sup> Week of The Year	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Friday 18 September	24 <sup>th</sup> Week of The Year	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Saturday 19 September	24 <sup>th</sup> Week of The Year	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass <b>Vigil Mass</b>	09.00 09.30 <b>18.00</b>
<b>Sunday 20 September</b>	<b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>Mass (Polish) Mass Mass (Polish)</b>	<b>09.00 10.30 13.00</b>

#### SUNDAY REFLECTION

Both the first reading and the gospel today speak of forgiveness and not simply as something nice and laudable but as a necessity. The first reading from Ecclesiasticus, from the Wisdom of Ben Sirach, opens by telling us that 'resentment and anger ... are foul things' and that these have no place in our lives. Those who harbour resentment and anger, who track the sins of another, cannot come before the Lord and seek forgiveness, because they themselves persist in sin.

In our gospel passage we have the parable of the wicked servant who – despite being pardoned by the king of his debt – refused to pardon a fellow servant who

was in debt to him. St Peter had asked the Lord how often he had to forgive his brother and Jesus responded with a parable to demonstrate how far we must go in forgiving others. There is a reminder that if we are to expect forgiveness from God and from others then we ourselves must forgive those who we perceive to have wronged us, which reminds us of the Lord's Prayer. The parable also tells us that we cannot abuse the mercy of God: just because we have been forgiven doesn't give us licence to go and commit another act of wrong-doing. God does indeed love each of us but his love and mercy are not to be taken for granted or lightly. At the same time, the forgiveness we extend to others cannot be mere words but must be genuine and from the heart, which means that there can be no resentment, only genuine love for the other. We are called on in both readings to remember the covenants with God who forgave humankind again and again, despite their sinful ways.

In our final section from his letter to the Christians of Rome, St Paul tells them that, as Christians, they no longer live for themselves but for God. Christians follow the example of Jesus who gave his life for them in obedience to the Father and so they, too, should live for the Father and for his will to be accomplished in the world. This is the case whether the faithful are alive or dead because, through his death and resurrection, Jesus is Lord of both

*Patrick J. Breen, O.Carm.*

## **FOR YOUR PRAYERS:**

- **Sick:** Sandra Cameron, Kenneth Darnell, Kate Hamilton,

## **SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASSES**

We are open for Weekday and Sunday Masses. Unfortunately, due to Health and Safety regulations, only 8 pews are available per mass. Each pew can be used by one person or up to 5 persons from one household. **If you want attend mass, especially Sunday Mass, please register by phone 01261 815405 before each Friday every week.**

## **CONFESSION**

After period when church was closed now everyone can come to the church and make Confession. Fr Piotr will be hearing confession at the back of the church **each Saturdays from 10.00 to 11.00 or different time after appointment.** All Health and Safety rules apply.

## **HOUSE VISIT**

If you can't come for Mass on Sunday you can ask your Parish Priest for house visit. **Please call 01261 815405 to arrange the visit.**

## **MSZE ŚWIĘTE**

Kościół jest już otwarty aby sprawować codzienne msze św. Niestety obecnie przepisy BHP ograniczają liczbę wiernych w kościele – tylko 8 ławek jest dostępnych a z każdej ławki może korzystać maksymalnie 5 osób z jednego domu. **Aby uczestniczyć we Mszy św. należy wcześniej do piątku przed każdą niedzielą telefonicznie 01261 815405 zarezerwować miejsce.** Jeśli nie będzie miejsc na daną niedzielę, chętni będą zapisywani na kolejną.

## **SPOWIEDŹ ŚWIĘTA**

Osoby chcące skorzystać z sakramentu pokuty i pojednania (spowiedzi) mogą to uczynić w **soboty od godz. 10.00 do 11.00 lub w innym terminie po wcześniejszym uzgodnieniu z księdzem.** Spowiedź odbywać się będzie z tyłu kościoła z zachowaniem wszelkich zasad higieny.

## **KOMUNIA ŚWIĘTA W DOMU**

**Jeśli ktoś nie może uczestniczyć w niedzielnej Mszy św. może poprosić o wizytę księdza w domu z Najświętszym Sakramentem. W celu umówienia takiej wizyty proszę o kontakt telefoniczny 01261 815405.**