

# *Our Lady*

## *Help of Christians*



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**7th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 24 FEBRUARY 2019**  
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### **MASSES THIS WEEKEND**

Saturday	6.30pm	Mary Patricia Anders
Sunday	9.00am	Harriet Ross
	10.30am	Francis & Mary Mannion
Monday	7.30pm	Alan Kershaw
Tuesday	7.00pm	Stan Clarke
Wednesday	9.00am	People of the Parish
Thursday	9.00am	Davis Harrison
Friday	9.00am	Holy Souls

### **MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday	6.30pm	Barry Leach
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Anthony Tipping

Novena	Wednesday after Mass
Confessions	Saturday 5.30 to 6.00pm
Meditation	Monday after Mass & Saturday 10.15am

**Counters Team next Sunday - Team E**  
**Geraldine Simmons, Teracina Taylor, Jim Davies, Ken Fidler**

### **BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

The group will meet on Wednesday next in the Parish House at 2pm. New members especially welcome.

### **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED**

Rachel Buckley from Aid to the Church in Need will talk at all Masses this weekend about their work. She will also be giving an opportunity to purchase religious objects.

### **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2019 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY – 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

Chocolate! We love it. Fairtrade maybe? Fairtrade should be. If not read the leaflet you were given and change to buying Fairtrade Chocolate to help Cocoa farmers receive a living wage. When shopping look for the Fairtrade logo. There are 4500 Fairtrade products on sale in supermarkets and through on-line retailers. We have a Fairtrade stall in this Parish which is open most weekends after Mass selling chocolate bars, cookies, tea, coffee, and more. If you only bought an occasional Fairtrade item you will be helping to bring change to so many lives.

### **GARDEN BENCHES**

The Finance and Admin Committee recently discussed the state of the benches in the parish garden. Most are in an acceptable condition, but others are both dilapidated and an eyesore, and constitute a potential safety hazard for anyone using them. Most of the benches were installed through bequests in memory of former parishioners, or the deceased relatives of current parishioners, and it has always been made clear that endowing a bench necessitated ensuring it continued to be maintained in a usable condition. There are now so many dilapidated benches that sadly, and reluctantly, we will have to remove and dispose of them unless the necessary repairs have been carried out by their donors by 31 March this year. The name plaques on any that are disposed of will be removed and will be displayed on a 'dedication' board which the parish will erect in due course.

### **KNOCK PILGRIMAGE**

There will be a fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019. £649.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

### **HELP FOR THE HOMELESS**

As we heard at last week's Mass, helping the homeless is something very close to Pope Francis. As a way of raising money to help the homeless I have had 250 prayer cards made with the prayer to Holy Michael the Archangel. The prayer cards will be available after each Mass in the shop. A small donation would be appreciated. Every penny donated will go towards helping the homeless. All proceeds will be given to The Sisters of Charity who are a local charity and work for the missionaries of charity (Liverpool). Please remember it's not what you donate that is important, it's what you are donating for.