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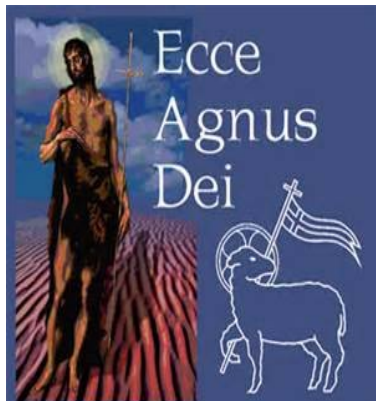
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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Weekday Masses Mon 16th January 2017-
 Sat 21st January 2017**



John the Baptist saw the spirit of God come down upon Jesus in the form of a dove and identifies Jesus as "the chosen one of God" and "the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world"

14th January, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary time

Saturday	6.30pm	Grandad Cronin & McCarthy Brothers
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Ryan O Keefe & Families

21st January 2017, 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	6.30pm	Frances & Driscoll Family
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Pascal Keys

Please pray for all the sick and elderly members of the Parish, their families, carers, and all their families.

Parish Hall Events 2017

Monday	1..00pm	Parent & Toddler
Thursday	9.30am	Slimming World

Sanctuary Lamp: Mazgajczyk & Mikulicz Family

Monday Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Luisa Zeraschi
Tuesday St Anthony, Abbot mem	9.00am 9.30-3.00pm	David James White Adoration
Wednesday Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Joe Rice
Thursday Weekday in Ordinary Time	8.30am	Philip Mullan
Friday Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	John Blyth
Saturday St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr mem	9.00am	Mary Agnes Moore
Saturday	10-11am	Confession *

Sacramental Events

Baptism Preparation on **11th and 18th January 2017** at **7pm** in the Presbytery

First Holy Communion preparation continues on **Wednesday 18th January**, at 5.20pm in the Parish Hall.

Confirmation preparation continues on **Wednesday 18th January**, 7.00pm, in the Parish hall

RCIA

Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults. every Thursday at 7pm in the presbytery.

Cleaners and Counters

Counters This week **B** next week **C**
Church Cleaners—Colette & Keiran

St Helen's Infant and Nursery
 St Helen's Junior
 St Richard Gwyn

Mrs Kathy Giernalczyk (Acting Head)
 Mrs Michelle Clawson (Acting Head)
 Mr Stephen Grech (Head Teacher)

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†Please pray

For the repose of the soul of: Mary Agnes Moore and Jane Samantha Farrugia who died recently.

Funeral Arrangements:

Mary Agnes Moore

Funeral took place in Dublin on Saturday 14th January. There will be a Mass celebrated for Mary in St. Helen's at 9.00am, next Saturday 21st January.

Jane Samantha Farrugia

Tuesday 24th January 2017

10.30 am Funeral Service, St. Helen's.

Dates for you Diary

†Ladies Circle

Wednesday 18th January Rosary at 1.30 then meeting 2pm in the church hall.

†The Goose is Loose

Thursday 19th January at 7pm. Video, and discussion on the Holy Spirit. All are welcome.

†A Time to Pray for Mercy

Every Thursday the church is open from 9.30am—5.30pm for the parishioners to have the opportunity to pray for God's mercy throughout the world.

†Monthly Family Prayer

Friday 27th at 2pm in Our Ladies Chapel. Family life is vital for the good of the Church and for the good of society, hence our need to pray that God will watch over and bless all families. Join with other members of the parish in praying for this special intention.

†Miraculous Medal Novena

Every Friday a Novena to the Miraculous Medal is said from 12.30 – 5pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

†Christian Unity 2017

The Catholic Church and the other Churches and Ecclesial Communities will jointly celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from 18th - 25th January. For this year of 2017, the theme is "Reconciliation: The love of Christ compels us" (cf 2 Corinthians 5:14-20)

†Catholic Bible School: Heroes of the Old Testament

Alan de St.Croix is returning to Swansea this January to lead us through the entire Old Testament exploring the stories of the major characters and why they are still relevant to us today. We will meet on Saturday 28th January at 10am to 3pm in at St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea, SA1 3NG.

This day is Part One of the Burning Within Bible Course. Burning Within is our Six Month Bible Course running

from January to June 2017 held on the fourth Saturday of each month at various locations across South Wales. If you can't make all six Saturdays, each one also stands alone so don't worry if you miss some! This is a free course but all donations are gratefully received For more information see www.catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events or email catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com.

Teresa de Ste Croix

†Thoughts for Your Consideration

Isaiah makes a powerful statement about what God desires to do through human beings. God will show divine glory in those who serve God. God will even allow them to be a light to all nations. In the gospel reading, John the Baptist says that this power of the Spirit can be seen most clearly in Jesus, who is the very Son of God. God's spirit is available and wants to do great things!

Many people in the United States are anxious about many things and especially about the new administration, which will come into power on the 20th. Will our nation stay focused on peace and justice? Will the poor be included in our bounty? Will people lose health insurance? Will we work together with the nations of the world to respect the environment and lesson climate change? We will be committed to ending wars and terrorism?

In this time of war, in this era of violence and terror, in this generation that is struggling with issues around globalization, in this world economy with so many inequalities, in a time when millions of people are out of work in the United States, on this Martin Luther King, Jr., weekend, in this era where our nation incarcerates so many people of colour, in this week of prayer for Christian Unity, during the upcoming time when people gather in Washington to pray and rally for life, in this era when many feel divided by ideological positions, we are called to believe that this spirit can bring together the diverse and divided people of our world. We are called to believe that we can make a difference and that God's spirit creates "a light to the nations" and "a salvation that will reach to the ends of the earth." God wants the light of justice and peace to shine in the world.

Center of Concern

†Letter Of Pope Francis To Young People 13th Jan

I am pleased to announce that in October 2018 a Synod of Bishops will take place to treat the topic: "Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment." I wanted you to be the centre of attention, because you are in my heart. Today the Preparatory Document is being presented, a document which I am also entrusting to you as your "compass" on this journey.

To be continued