

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February 2022:

For religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

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**The merger of Faith in Families & Adoption Focus** was completed on 1st January 2022 & the new agency will operate under the name **Adoption Focus** & will become one of the largest Voluntary Adoption Agencies in the country. Any donations can be made in the future to its bank account (account no: 00877498 sort code: 30-92-18), by calling Sharon Davis on 07912 308644 or by using the online donation sign up form at <https://adoptionfocusbeaconforms.com/form/5f175895> If you have any queries, please contact Adoption Focus on 0121 779 0891 or via [comms@adoption-focus.org.uk](mailto:comms@adoption-focus.org.uk)

**From Daily Grind to Daily Glory: Encountering God in your daily work:** The next 2 sessions are on **Wednesday 2nd & 9th February at 7pm**. This diocesan online course looks at how we can encounter Jesus in our daily work and how it can help us to grow in holiness too. For more information visit: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/onlineevents](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/onlineevents).

**CAFOD's new Lent challenge is here!** After the success of last year's Walk For Water, CAFOD are continuing with a walking theme and this year it is **Walk against Hunger**. Challenge yourself to walk 200 km this Lent and help stamp out hunger, one step at a time. You can walk, roll, skip or stroll your way to 200 km. You can boldly go it alone and take it on 5 km a day for 40 days, or you can smash the target all at once as a team. There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. So, this Lent, challenge yourself to conquer 200 km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Sign up at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

**The Briars are Calling Catholic Teachers!** The aim of our campaign is to appeal to practising Catholics who may currently be teaching in or leading a school outside of the Catholic sector. There may be a number of reasons for this, but in the past the invitation to find out more about teaching in a Catholic school is greatly appreciated. Our event will be held virtually on **Tuesday 8 February 2022 from 7.00 – 8.30pm**. **Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi Academy Trust** would be delighted to hear from any parishioners who are interested in training as a teacher. Thinking of training as a Teacher? Come and join us for our "get into teaching" event. **Date: Wednesday 2nd February from 6pm-7pm; Location: Zoom online; To book:** email [v.scott@becketonline.co.uk](mailto:v.scott@becketonline.co.uk) to register your interest in this event.

**Year of the Word:** Resources for the ongoing Year of the Word continue to be available at: <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk>



## Parish Newsletter

### 4th Week of Ordinary Time

### 30th January 2022

**Corpus Christi, Southchurch Drive, Clifton and Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, The Meadows**  
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I said last week Ordinary Time is about walking with Jesus to Jerusalem and salvation. It is by embracing the dying and rising mystery of Jesus that we receive the life of God within us and renew it each time we celebrate the liturgy. When we renew our lives by celebrating this mystery, each one of us is welcomed to experience the love of God, reflected in today's beautiful passage from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians. He speaks of love which is always patient, kind, ready to forgive, which delights in truth and which does not come to an end. This love reflects the character of divinity, the essence of God himself. We have all experienced our human love being frequently damaged by possessiveness. This doesn't stop us loving our brothers and sisters, we are invited not to be afraid to love, ardently, passionately and genuinely. Scripture tells us that "the steadfast love of the Lord never stops, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning." (Lam. 3:22-23). Christ has come to enrich each of us with the presence of his love, the love of the Father for his children. When we are in need, we can turn with confidence to Christ for His love. St Francis of Assisi prayed a prayer which speaks of the sublime beauty of God's Love:

*"Dear God, please reveal to us your sublime beauty that is everywhere, so that we will never again feel frightened.  
My divine love, my love, Please let us touch your face".*

God Bless...

Fr. Wilfred Pereppadan SCJ



<b>30th January 2022 - 6th February 2022</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services Intention of Mass</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 29th January 4th Sunday of the Year - Racial Justice Sunday</b> Jer 1:4-5.17-19; 1 Cor 12: 31-13:13; Lk 4: 21-30	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish	CC CC	
<b>Sunday 30th January 4th Sunday of the Year - Racial Justice Sunday</b> Jer 1:4-5.17-19; 1 Cor 12: 31-13:13; Lk 4: 21-30	9.00 am Mass: Mary Woods 10.30 am Mass: Private Intention (SW)	OLSP CC	
<b>Monday 31st January Saint John Bosco, priest (memorial)</b>	NO MASS		
<b>Tuesday 1st February Feria</b>	9.00 am Service of Word & Communion	CC	
<b>Wednesday 2nd February The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas (Feast) Day of Special Prayer for Consecrated Life</b>	9.30 am Adoration 10.00 am Service of Word & Communion	OLSP OLSP	
<b>Thursday 3rd February Saint Blaise, bishop &amp; martyr (memorial)</b>	9.00 am Mass: Peter Walsh RIP - 2nd Anniversary	CC	7.00 pm RCIA Session at CC
<b>Friday 4th February Saint Gilbert of Sempringham, religious (memorial)</b>	9.00 am Mass: In Thanksgiving	CC	
<b>Saturday 5th February 5th Sunday of the Year</b> Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15: 1-11; Lk 5: 1-11	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Joseph & Mary Falloon	CC CC	
<b>Sunday 6th January 5th Sunday of the Year</b> Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15: 1-11; Lk 5: 1-11	9.00 am Mass: Mrs Margaret Ann (Rita) Walsh 10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	OLSP CC	
<b>Response: My lips will tell of your help.</b>			

This weekend we are pleased to welcome once again, Fr Simon Gillespie, the Bishop's Private Secretary. Fr Simon will be saying all the Masses this weekend. Services of Word and Communion will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday. Fr Wilfred returns on 2nd February 2022.

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**Following the announcement by HM Government that 'Plan B' measures will be lifted in full on 27th January 2022**, we have received Guidance for Churches from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales & from the Diocese. The Church supports the vaccination programme, which is the main way of protecting against covid infection, and encourages people to be vaccinated. Scientific evidence shows that the virus is transitioning from the pandemic to the endemic phase but there is still a risk associated with gathering for sustained periods in enclosed spaces. Anyone displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and NOT participate in acts of worship in church. The main form of virus transmission is of droplets from the mouth & nose. We are still strongly recommending people to wear masks over their mouth & nose in services and while singing. And it is important that there is good ventilation in Church. It is still good practice to sanitise hands on entry & exit of churches. Other changes will be actioned on Fr Wilfred's return.

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### **30th World Day of the Sick - 11th February 2022 - Message from His Holiness Pope Francis:**

"Dear brothers and sisters, to the intercession of Mary, Health of the Infirm, I entrust all the sick and their families. United with Christ, who bears the pain of the world, may they find meaning, consolation and trust. I pray for healthcare workers everywhere, that, rich in mercy, they may offer patients, together with suitable care, their fraternal closeness".

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**The Meadows Foodbank at OLSP** urgently needs the following items this week: sugar (500g bags), fruit juice, squash, coffee (smaller jars), hot chocolate, tinned meat, cereal, peanut butter, men's razors, shaving foam/gel, shampoo, tooth-paste, toothbrushes. Please bring them to OLSP Church and leave them in the basket provided. Thank you.

**Donation of Flowers at Corpus Christi Church:** If you would like the Church flowers to be arranged for a particular event, for example an anniversary/birthday/baptism or any other occasion, please fill in a form at the back of Church, put your donation in the envelope provided and put this in the orange collection bucket.

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**St Paul Sunday Missal:** more copies are now available at both Churches, price £6.