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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C**

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE**

**13th February 2022**

**PREFACE:**  Number 8

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**: Number 1

**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** We proclaim your death, O Lord …

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Dave & Neil Williamson

**Sun:** 10:00am - The People of St Peter’s

living & deceased

**Tue:** 9:30am - Holy Souls

**Wed:** 7:30pm - Holy Souls

**Thu:** 9:30am - Clorindo Muccillo

**Fri:** 7:30pm - Mary Thomas

**Sat:** 6:30pm - The People of St Peter’s

living & deceased

**Sun:** 10:00am - Robert Hardie

Sunday School: 11:15 -12 noon in the Parish Hall Lounge

Rosary: Wednesday at 7:10pm

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Patrick Donaghey, Geoffrey Martin, Margaret Hodby, Patrick Dacey, Teresa Fratangelo, Colin Bryant, Veronica Haddon, Thomas Peters, Anthony Clarke, Sylvia Shine, Francis McMahon, Murray Edwards, Robert Hardie, Pasquale Cudone, Francis (Frank) Gray, Bertie Trott, Urszula Gasuliewicz, Kenneth Bailey, Delane Aldridge and Leon Mikolajewicz.

**REMEMBERING IN PRAYER**

Mike, Anna, Alex, Fr Phillip, Marie, Claire & family, Christine Kimpton, Teresa Horsler, Roberto, Linda, Mark & Maria and family, Pauline Pearson, Betty, Emily and Sylvia.

If you have a particular intention that you would like us to pray for, please contact the Parish Office and it will be included here.

**OFFERTORY:** Last week’s collection amounted to £347.80. Thank you very much.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend is for Racial Justice Sunday. This year’s theme is how we see others in the ‘Image and Likeness of God’.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:**  You may be wondering how you can support the Church during this difficult time. If you wish to contribute financially, please consider making either a one-off donation or setting up a regular payment. This can be done using the following details:

Account name:  R.C.D.N. St Peter’s Rushden

Bank name:  NatWest; Sort Code: 60-06-11

Account Number:  91052432

**PARISH FEAST DAY:** Is a week on Tuesday, February 22nd when we celebrate St Peter, our patron saint.

**VOTIVE CANDLES:** Are back again at Our Lady’s Altar and still at 20p each.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

New guidance from the diocese has now been given to all parishes concerning Covid-19. Whilst it is now no longer mandatory to wear face coverings, Fr Joe and Deacon Peter request that you continue to wear them when coming to Mass and in all our church buildings unless you have a legal exemption from doing so.

**GIVING:** Thank you to all those that have made donations by BACS, we really do appreciate it as well as donations through the donation station.

**CONFIRMATION 2022:** Candidates for the sacrament of Confirmation who will be in Year 7 this year need to send in their details to the Parish Office. Please register your name as soon as possible.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS:** There is a comprehensive list of requested items at the back of church for example tinned meat & fish, peas and carrots, jam, coffee, shampoo please see list. **No other items** please are at present required. Thank you for your kind donations.

**PERMANENT DEACONS:** Men between the age of 40 and 60 who feel they may have an interest in this ministry and who would like to find out a little more about the diaconate and meet with some deacons, students and other enquirers, are invited to a very informal meeting which will take place on Saturday March 12th between 10am and 12noon at Christ the King, Kent’s Hill, Milton Keynes.

**TOGETHER IN PRAYER ZOOM MEETING:** This Sunday at 8pm (40 minutes)

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73944214157?pwd=bW5JRlJaM3dINkhxNnNnVWtySUNIdz09>

Meeting ID: 739 4421 4157 Passcode: 418681

**SYNOD IN OUR DIOCESE:** To get an overview of this process now in our Parish and Diocese, go to <https://northamptondiocese.org/for-a-synodal-church/>. The next synod meeting will be in the Parish Hall on Saturday February 19th at 2:30pm. This will be an important meeting as the sharings of the three meetings for our parish will be submitted to the diocese. It is important that your voice is heard; please do come - there are cups of tea and coffee as well!

**FROM THE DIOCESE**

Pray with the Holy Father

During the month of February Pope Francis encourages us to pray for religious and consecrated women. As we pray for religious sisters and consecrated women, especially those in our own diocese, we thank God for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

**Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel**

1. We are told that Jesus ‘fixed his eyes on the disciples’ before speaking. It suggests that he was about to say something that he really wanted them to take in. Surprisingly he then tells them it is no bad thing for us to be poor or hungry. But perhaps you have recognised the truth in what St Augustine said: ‘You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.’

2. ‘Blessed are you who weep’ is not an encouragement to be miserable. Rather it is an affirmation of the importance of loving relationships in life. We are blessed to have such people in our lives, but there may also be pain. Yet is it not true that the blessing of loving and being loved is worth the price you pay?