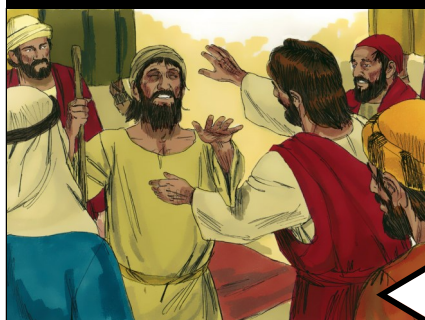


14th February 2021: Sixth Sunday (B)



BE CURED

Like the leper, we cry out to Christ, who alone can cure us of all our troubles and weakness. He reaches out and touches us with his grace, telling us to be cured. We belong to Christ in the company of the saints, and are called to do everything for the glory of God. We are a people of joy because we know that Christ delivers us from our sins.

The leprosy left him at once and he was cured.

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Sat 13	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>
18:30	John & Francis Hunt RIP
Sun 14	✠ <i>SIXTH SUNDAY</i>
09.30	Mr & Mrs O'Connor RIP
11.00	Andrew Healy RIP
Mon 15	
09.30	Lucy Kwetha RIP
Tue 16	
09.30	John Christopher Cullita RIP
THE SEASON OF LENT	
Wed 17	ASH WEDNESDAY
09.30	Amelia Stafford RIP
20:00	Mass
Thu 18	
09.30	Irene Goba RIP
Fri 19	
09.30	Henry & Minna Hutcheon Wedding Anniversary
Sat 20	
09.30	People of the Parish
	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>
18:30	Michael Bowden RIP
Sun 21	✠ <i>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</i>
09.30	Valerie Nicholas, Olive Wilde & Robert Wilde RIP
11.00	Wellbeing for Victorine Chuculour

Spiritual thought

“Something to think about and pray about each day this week”

The good shepherd invites us to rest awhile among the grassy meadows and flowing streams. He wants us to relax in his presence – to be nourished, strengthened and renewed. In his place, we may turn from a closed fist of denial, frustration and turmoil to an open hand of acceptance, relaxation and serenity.

After the rest, we may be invited to walk more closely with him, to be freer and more confident and to be better able to navigate the often-hazy paths of our lives. It is true that we all need to work on maintaining balance in our lives, but we are not alone.

We can learn so much from modern and contemplative wisdom to live life with great richness, and when all is said and done, we can rejoice that we are infinitely loved. (Sacredspace 2021)

Retreat for all

Archbishop John and the Diocesan Spirituality Commission are offering a Retreat for Lent, which you can follow in your own home.

Using the link below, you can watch a short video reflection each week, download prayer materials and other resources which can help you make the best use of whatever time and opportunity you may have during your week.

There are also additional materials for use by parish and other groups, either in person or via Zoom/Teams or similar.

If you are looking for a way to deepen your life of prayer this Lent, click on

<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme>

where you can also sign up to receive materials directly to your email.

SECOND COLLECTION - This Week: Pew Kneelers

MASS COUNT LAST WEEK

Saturday: 18:30 (24), Sunday: 09.30 (18), 11.00 (29)

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Please note that whilst we are within this current lockdown the parish secretary will only be available in the parish office on Friday mornings between 9am and 12 noon.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING – Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 31

**R. You are my refuge, O Lord;
you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 10: 31 - 11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL – Mark 1: 40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.