

Our Lady Star of the Sea & St. Maughold, Ramsey St. Patrick's, Peel

Masses and Services

18th - 26th November 2017

Ramsey

Peel

Saturday	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Evelyn & Bernard Swales	9.00 am	Alec, Ellen & Alan Maddrell
Monday	10.00 am	Frances Townley & other members of the McGrath Family	10.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10.00 am	Deceased Family Members	Midday	Patrick O Sullivan (Anniv. 13th)
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Holy Souls	Midday	Communion Service
Thursday	10.00 am	Dorothea Clague	Midday	Tim Quigley (Birthday Remembrance)
Friday	10.00 am	Gerard Douglas	Midday	Kathleen's Birthday
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors	10.00 am	Communion Service
	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Harry Ivory	9.00 am	Mary Neeson's Mum

Confessions

Ramsey : Saturday, after 12.30 pm Mass & 5.45-6.15pm. Wednesday 7pm **Peel**: Sunday 8.30 - 8.50am

Last Week's Donations: **Ramsey** - £652.97 **Peel** - £225.49 LAMP £136.28

Second collection next Sunday for Animate Youth.

Feastdays of the week

Tuesday	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Wednesday	St. Cecilia. 3rd century martyr
Thursday	St. Columbanus. Late 6th - early 7th century Irish missionary to continent of Europe. Founded several monasteries.
Friday	St. Andrew Dung-Lac & his companions. 117 martyrs of Vietnam.
Saturday	St. Catherine of Alexandria. Early 4th century martyr who had preached the Gospel in Alexandria, Egypt.

Peel

St. Patrick's Christmas Fair

Saturday 25th November 1pm - 4pm

Items for the Bric-a-Brac Stall and Cake stall are very welcome and will be greatly appreciated.

Ramsey

Forthcoming Friday Films - Saints , helping us today

Advent film nights and days. Starting Friday 1st December for 4 weeks. One way of preparing for Christmas? First showing after the 10am Mass and in the evening at 6pm. Everyone welcome. Please make an effort to attend at either one of the times, they last for 40 minutes. First session will be on St. Patrick, filmed on location in Ireland.

A Big Thank you...

to Jan Hughes for selling her home made jams after Mass on Sundays.
The wonderful total of £124 was raised for SVP funds.

Monthly Lunch

Tuesday November 21st at the Harbour Bistro. 12 Noon.

Readings for the week

Monday: 1 Macc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64; Ps 118:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Zech 2:14-17; Ps Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: 2 Mac 7:1, 20-31; Ps 16:1, 5-6, 8 and 15; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mac 2:15-29; Ps 49:1-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mac 4:36-37, 52-59; Ps 1 Chr 29:10, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mac 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16b and 19; Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King.

The present liturgical year ends next Sunday with the Solemnity of Christ the King. The following Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent. Advent is a period of preparation to celebrate Christ's birth at Christmas. Like Lent in preparation for Easter, Advent is a time of re-orientation or repentance. Repentance is not just sorrow for our failures, it is more about a change of heart, a determination to follow Christ more closely in future, with plans of how we will do so. With the time lead up to Christmas being so full of commercial preparation for it, we have to remind ourselves that preparation is NOT a celebration. So though Christmas carols are played in the shops, we don't sing any until the 1st Mass of Christmas. The only hymns we sing up until then, are those of Advent.

The final week of Advent will be a time in the Deanery for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confession/Penance/Reconciliation, with Penitential Services and a number of priests in each Parish, as follows.

Monday 20th December - Peel and Onchan

Tuesday December 21st - Ramsey

Wednesday December 22nd - Douglas

Thursday December 23rd - Port Erin

It should be unthinkable for Catholics to approach the celebration of Christmas without receiving forgiveness of our sins through this Sacrament.

Catholic News Bites

On Wednesday Pope Francis became the proud new owner of a special papal-themed Lamborghini Huracán, which was given to him by company executives and will be auctioned off for charity. The sleek white Huracán with gold lines running along the hood and angles of the car's body was presented to Francis in front of his residence at the Vatican's Saint Martha Guesthouse on 15 November, which he blessed and autographed in the presence of top executives from the luxury Italian sports car brand. It will be auctioned at Sotheby's and the Pope has decided to give the proceeds to three different charitable causes: the restoration of villages on the Nineveh Plain in Iraq, assisting victims of human trafficking, and missionary work in Africa. *CNA/EWTN News*

A protestor was thrown out of a Polish church after unfurling a banner which quoted St John Paul II as saying "racism is a sin". Gabriela Lazarek was protesting at a Mass in Warsaw attended by Catholics participating in a Polish Independence Day march. An estimated 60,000 demonstrators took part in the annual event, marking Poland regaining independence in 1918. According to the Polish newspaper Ośrodek Kontroli Obywatelskiej, the Mass was celebrated by Fr Roman Kneblewski, known for "nationalist" views, and many of those in attendance wore political insignia. Lazarek said that she had not intended to unfurl the banner inside the church, but that during the homily Fr Kneblewski invoked the teaching of John Paul II, and she was so shocked that she stood up and displayed the banner. *Catholic Herald*

Please remember to turn off your mobile phones when you enter the Church.

**Prayer of the Faithful: Take our hands, O God,
We respond: and use them as your own.**

