

Masses and Services

12th - 20th September 2020

Ramsey

Saturday	6.30 pm	Parishioners
Sunday	11.00 am	Mary Wilson
Monday	10.00 am	Michelle Kelly (6th Anniv.)
Tuesday	10.00 am	Frank Smythe
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Barney McGinley (7th Anniv.)
Thursday	10.00 am	Susan Teare
Friday	10.00 am	Private Intention
Saturday	12.30 pm	Michael Kavanagh
	6.30 pm	Joan Rigby
Sunday	11.00 am	Parishioners

Peel

10.00 am	Communion Service
9.00 am	John Trimble (2nd Anniv.)
10.00 am	Communion Service
7.30 pm	Private Intention
10.00 am	Communion Service
Midday	Cathy Crossan
Midday	Mary Wilson
10.00 am	Communion Service
9.00 am	Josie Clarke (nee Whelan)

Confessions

Ramsey : Saturday, after 12.30 pm Mass & 5.45-6.15 pm. Wed. 7.00-7.20 pm **Peel**: Sunday 8.30-8.50am

2nd collection today for the **Holy Places**.

Feastdays of the Week

Monday	The Exhaltation of the Holy Cross
Tuesday	Our Lady of Sorrows
Wednesday	Sts. Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian , Bishop. 3rd century martyrs.
Thursday	St. Robert Bellarmine . 16th/17th century. Bishop and Doctor of the Church.
Saturday	St. Theodore of Canterbury . 7th century Archbishop of Canterbury.

2nd Collection next weekend for **Home Mission Sunday**

Readings for the Week

14th September 2020 – Monday

Num 21:4-9; Ps 77:1-2. 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

15th September 2020 – Tuesday

Heb 5:7-9; Ps 30:2-6. 15-16.20; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

16th September 2020 – Wednesday

1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Ps 32:2-5. 12.22; Lk 7:31-35

17th September 2020 – Thursday

1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 117:1-2.15-17.28; Lk 7:36-50

18th September 2020 – Friday

1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 16:6-8.15; Lk 8:1-3

19th September 2020 – Saturday

1 Cor 15:35-37. 42-49; Ps 55:10-14; Lk 8:4-15



Prayer of the Faithful: Father, forgive us our sins,
Response: as we forgive those who sin against us.

Ramsey

Now that the schools have reopened, the 4.00pm Monday religious instructions for children will re-commence this week.

Catholic News Bites

An English bishop has encouraged Catholics to pray for the canonization of **Mother Elizabeth Prout** - a 19th-century religious sister who cared for the “most abandoned” of the Industrial Revolution in Manchester. During his homily at a Mass on 2 September celebrating the bicentenary of Prout's birth, Bishop Mark Davies of Shrewsbury applauded Prout's dedication to the vulnerable people of early industrial England and said her saintly example is an inspiration today. “She became a sister to the abandoned so they might recognise their own innate dignity as children of God. It was this that made Elizabeth a pioneer of education, establishing day and night schools for the industrial poor and homes of refuge for factory girls,” he said.

“Together with a handful of companions she confronted the most degrading situations with the confidence of the revolution which flows from Christ's command: ‘Love one another as I have loved you.’”

A **Dutch cardinal** has suggested that the coronavirus pandemic may have accelerated the secularization of Europe by 10 years. In an interview with L'Osservatore Romano on 2 September, Cardinal Jean-Claude Hollerich said he believed that the number of Catholics going to church would decrease as a result of COVID-19.

Asked whether he thought the Church in Europe would emerge stronger or weaker from the pandemic, he said: “I think about my country: we will be reduced in number. Because all those who no longer came to Mass, because they came only for cultural reasons, these ‘cultural Catholics,’ left and right, no longer come. They have seen that life is very comfortable. They can live very well without having to come to church. Even First Communions, the catechism for children, all this will decrease in number, I am almost certain.” “But it's not a complaint on my part. We would have had this process even without a pandemic. Perhaps it would have taken us 10 years longer.”

Stephen Bullivant, professor of theology and the sociology of religion at St. Mary's University, Twickenham, in the U.K., noted that he had made a similar point to Hollerich in his recent eBook “Catholicism in the Time of Coronavirus.”

Pope Francis implored Catholics Sunday not to gossip about one another's faults, but instead to follow Jesus' directive on fraternal correction in the Gospel of Matthew.

“When we see a mistake, a defect, a slip of a brother or sister, usually the first thing we do is go and tell others about it, to gossip. And gossip closes the heart of the community, disrupts the unity of the Church,” Pope Francis said in his Angelus address on 6 September.

“The great talker is the devil, who always goes about saying the bad things of others, because he is the liar who tries to disunite the Church, alienating brothers and sisters and unmaking community. Please, brothers and sisters, let's make an effort not to gossip. Gossiping is a plague worse than COVID,” he told pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square.

Pope Francis said that Catholics need to live out Jesus' “pedagogy of rehabilitation” — described in chapter 18 of the Gospel of Matthew — “if your brother sins against you”.

He explained: “To correct a brother who has done wrong, Jesus suggests a pedagogy for rehabilitation ... articulated in three steps. In the first place he says: ‘point out the fault when the two of you are alone’, that is, do not air his sin in public. It is about going to your brother with discretion, not to judge him but to help him realize what he has done.”