

## 14th - 22nd January 2023

# Masses and Services

### Ramsey

### Peel

Saturday	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Olive Linden	9.00 am	Christine Leadley
Monday	10.00 am	Patricia McCreesh (ill)	10.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10.00 am	Brian Weldon	Midday	June Edmonds
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Andrew Jolliffe		
Thursday	10.00 am	Carol Teare	Midday	Ints. of Canon Gillespie
Friday	10.00 am	Michael Craig	Midday	Joe Mc Loughlin
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors		
	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Dave O Sullivan	9.00 am	Christine Leadley

**Confessions: Ramsey** - Saturday, after 12.30pm Mass & 5.45-6.15pm  
**Peel** - Sunday 8:30- 8.50 am

### Readings for the Week

16th January 2023 - **Monday**

1 Hebrews 5:1-10; Psalms 110:1,2,3,4. Mark 2:18-22

17th January 2023 - **Tuesday**

1 Hebrews 6:10-12 ; Psalms 111:1-2, 4-5, 9-10 Mark 2:23-28

18th January 2023 - **Wednesday**

1 Hebrews 7:1-13, 15-17 Psalms 110:1-2,3-4, Mark 3:1-6

19th January 2023 - **Thursday**

1 Hebrews 7:25-8:6 Psalms 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 Mark 3:7-12

20th January 2023 - **Friday**

1 Hebrews 8:6-13 Psalms 85:8, 10, 11-12, 13-14 Mark 3:13-19

21st January 2023 - **Saturday**

1 Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14 Psalms 44:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Mark 3:30-31

### Feastdays of the Week

**Tuesday**

**St. Anthony of Egypt.** 3rd century Abbot

**Thursday**

**St. Wulstan.** 11th century Bishop of Worcester.

**Friday**

**St. Sebastian.** Roman martyr 300 A.D.

**Saturday**

**St. Agnes.** 5th century Martyr.

**Next Sunday** is the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

**The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Wednesday.**

Prayer of the Faithful: Make me  
 Response: **a channel of your peace.**

**Please turn OFF your mobile phone when entering the Church. Thank you.**

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## Miracles do Happen.....

Eighty-three-year-old Sister Bernadette Moriau of France speaks about her miraculous cure following her visit to the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes. When she travelled to the small French town of Lourdes 14 years ago, Sister Bernadette Moriau did not know that she would be miraculously cured. "I always believed in miracles, but not for me," It was her doctor who persuaded her to take a pilgrimage. Suffering from cauda equina syndrome, a disorder of the nerves and lower spine, she arrived in a wheelchair. Her left foot was once twisted and limp such that, to walk, she needed a back and leg brace as well as an implant to dull nerve pain and massive doses of morphine. That changed when she went to Lourdes. "I didn't go there for a miracle," she stressed. "I just went there to pray with others."

While there have been more than 7,000 miraculous recoveries attributed to the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes at the French shrine, the Catholic Church has confirmed a total of 70 medical miracles there. Moriau is the 70th.

Her miraculous cure took place after she joined a procession in Lourdes. "I really had that feeling that the Lord was walking with us," she recalled. "And I heard him giving me these words: 'I see your suffering and that of your sick brothers and sisters. Just give me everything.'" She remembered returning home feeling spiritually rejuvenated but worse physically. The religious sister spent three days in excruciating pain, before she suddenly felt the strength to walk to the chapel and pray. "Then I felt some kind of heat coming into my body. I felt relaxed," she said. "But I didn't really know what that was meaning. And in my room, I heard this inner voice again telling me, 'Take all your braces off.' I didn't think twice. And I started taking my foot brace off. And my foot that used to be crooked was straight. And I could actually put it on the ground without feeling any pain. I know it was impossible."

Dr. Alessandro de Franciscis, a Catholic, serves as the office's president and presiding physician. "We sent her to different neurologists," the former paediatrician and Harvard-trained epidemiologist said of Moriau. "We sent her to different rheumatologists, because of the different specific case of her disease. We asked to repeat twice also some imagery — electrophysiology."

"We did all that you would do in medicine to make absolutely sure of her [diagnosis]. And it was," he said. On top of that, she saw two psychiatrists in Paris.

He sent her case to a group of 33 doctors and professors called the International Medical Committee of Lourdes to determine whether her cure was "medically unexplained." They concluded that it was — after eight years of investigation.

Ten years after her visit to Lourdes, in 2018, the **Catholic Church recognized the case as the 70th miracle there.**

Bishop Jean-Marc Micas of Lourdes explained: "Declaring a miracle is saying, 'God did something.' This is the miracle."

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