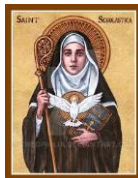


Saints of the Fortnight

St Scholastica, Virgin, 10th February

St Scholastica (+c.543) was the sister of St Benedict. She followed the rule of her brother near Montecassino and is regarded as the first Benedictine nun. When she met her brother for the last time, a sudden rainstorm providentially prolonged the meeting; three days later St Benedict saw her soul ascent to heaven as a dove (her symbol in art)



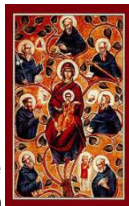
St Cyril, Monk & St Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe 14th February



These two brothers evangelised Moravia, Bohemia and Bulgaria and are venerated as the 'Apostles of the Slave.' They translated liturgical books into Slavonic with the help of the Cyrillic alphabet, which they invented. St Cyril (+869) died in Rome where he had gone to seek the Pope's blessing. St Methodius (+885) was consecrated a bishop and ended his days in Pannonia (Hungary). Blessed St John Paul II proclaimed them Patrons of Europe, along with St Benedict.

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order, 22nd February

The 'Seven Holy Founders' were members of the Confraternity of Our Lady in Florence who withdrew to live the eremitical life on Monte Senario in 1233. They founded the Servants of Mary (Servite Friars), which received papal approval in 1304. The Servites led an austere life of prayer and mortification, meditating constantly on the Lord's Passion and venerating Our Lady of Sorrows.



Sr Robert Southwell, Priest & Martyr – 21st February

All powerful, ever-living God, you gave St Robert Southwell the courage to witness to the gospel of Christ even to the point of giving his life for it. By his prayers help us to endure all suffering for love of you and to seek you with all our hearts. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

The Chair of St Peter the Apostle – 22nd February

The celebration of the Cathedra Petri, the Chair of St Peter, recalls the ministry conferred by Christ on the Prince of the Apostles and continued in an unbroken line down to the present pope. It is an opportunity for the faithful to renew their communion with the Roman Pontiff and to follow closely his teachings.



God Bless – Fr Tony

9th FEBRUARY 2020
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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MASSES FOR THE WEEK: SAT 8th – SAT 15th FEBRUARY 2020

SAT: 8th 6.00pm PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
SUN: 9th 9.00am FRANK FITZPATRICK, R.I.P. – ST TERESA'S
10.45am SR KATE COOMBS, R.I.P. - BATTLE
MON: 10th 10.00am HOLY SOULS
TUES: 11th 10.00am CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
WED: 12th NO MASS
THURS: 13th 10.00am JEANNE COGDELL, R.I.P.
FRI: 14th 10.00am REV PATRICK CHIEK, R.I.P.
SAT: 15th NO MORNING MASS OR CONFESSION

Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

God will hear your prayer, and your light will shine, when you consider the needs of the lowly.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

For Paul, proclaiming Christ and witnessing to the power of the Spirit are the essence of his testimony.

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

Good works, done in the name of Christ, are to be unashamedly put on display for all to see.

Events and Feast Days This Week

Monday is the memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin.

Tuesday is the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Friday is the feast of St Cyril, Monk and St Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe.

We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Margaret Thunder, Ingrid Reeves, Jean Jameson, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Andrew Broderick-Ward, Sheila Lilley, Eileen Scott, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson.

From St Teresa's: Keith Bourne, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster.

Offertory

The collection for the weekend of 1st & 2nd February was £313.99 in Battle and £71.90 in Northiam, £139.11 was collection through the Crib Collection for the Catholic Children's Society. Thank you all for your generosity. There will be a collection next Sunday for the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund.

Sacramental Programmes

First Communion: The next meeting of the First Communion Group is on Monday 24th February at 4.30pm, in the Presbytery. Pancakes will be served as we discuss 'The fruit of the vine', as our theme.

100 Club

Thank you to all those who have joined/rejoined the 100 club. The first draw of the year will be in late February.

Family Mass

Our next Family Mass is on Sunday, 23rd February at the 10.45am Mass in Battle. Lenten calendars will be given out and our First Communion children will celebrate 'The Word of the Lord'.

Racial Justice Sunday

Today is Racial Justice Sunday. Please take a card from the back of the Church.

Faith and Friendship Circle

The next meeting of the Faith and Friendship Circle will be on Tuesday 18th February 2020, in the Parish Rooms, 2:15pm for 2:30pm. We will meditate on and discuss St Matthews Gospel 5: 36-48. All welcome to join us. The program for the year is displayed on the poster at the back of the Church.

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16th FEBRUARY 2020

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Cycle A for Sundays and Solemnities
Year 2 for Weekdays**

MASSES FOR THE WEEK: SAT 15th – SUN 23rd FEBRUARY 2020

SAT: 15th 6.00pm STEPHEN & KENNETH McADIE, R.I.P.
SUN: 16th 9.00am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH – ST TERESA'S
10.45am JENNY THOMPSON, R.I.P. – BATTLE
MON: 17th 10.00am HOLY SOULS
TUES: 18th 10.00am CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
WED: 19th NO MASS
THURS: 20th 10.00am HOLY SOULS
FRI: 21st 10.00am IDINA MARY VISCOUNTS BRASSEY, R.I.P.
(F.M.)
SAT: 22nd NO MORNING MASS OR CONFESSIONS
6.00pm PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
SUN: 23rd 9.00am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MURPHY
FAMILY – ST TERESA'S
10.45am CONSTANCE CANE, R.I.P. (F.M.) - BATTLE

Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20

We are taught to keep the commandments, for behaving faithfully is within our power.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Paul warns believers against basing their faith on human wisdom instead of God's wisdom.

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus did not reject the Jewish scriptures but brought them back to basics, love of God and of neighbour. Our lives should reflect this love.

Events and Feast Days This Week

Monday is the memorial of the Seven Founders of the Servite Order.

Friday is the memorial of St Robert Southwell, Priest and Martyr.

Saturday is the feast of the Chair of Peter the Apostle.

Advance Notice

Our Taizé Evening this year is on Tuesday, 10th March at 7pm.