

## The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Wilfrid, Selsey

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**Sunday 14 February 2021**

### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sunday:** Mass at 10.00am.  
We welcome Fr Peter Johstone who is celebrating Mass with us today  
Pastoral Message from Bishop Richard  
Retiring collection for the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund (Gift Aid)

**Wednesday:** **Ash Wednesday;** Fasting and abstinence  
**Fr Peter will celebrate Mass at 10.00am.**  
*Readings: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18*

**Sunday 21 February:** First Sunday of Lent. Mass at 10.00am.  
*Readings for next Sunday: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15*

**Some Covid Reminders:** Please do not come to Mass if you or anyone in your household has any symptoms of Covid-19. You should continue to wear face covering (unless exempt for health reasons), to use hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the Church and maintain social distancing. The obligation to attend Mass remains suspended.

**Covid Vaccinations** are now taking place at the Selsey Centre and you will receive an invitation when it is your turn. You should make your own way to the centre for your vaccination if you can, or if you have family, friends or neighbours who can help, please ask them. There is very limited availability for transport, backed by the Selsey Community Forum, for those who are unable to make their own arrangements. If you have a mobility scooter, you should use that. If you cannot make arrangements and need transport, **please wait until you have received your invitation**, then phone Julie on 07590 060234.

**Coming soon - Invited** - the Diocese-wide Mission for Lent 2021. God loves you. He has great plans for you. He wants to accompany you through all the highs and lows of your life. There will soon be an opportunity for you to explore all this and more as we journey together as a Diocese through a season of mission. Visit [www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited) to find out more. You, are **Invited**.

**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

*In today's readings we are reminded of the loving mercy of God. It is revealed to us in the way Jesus responds to the plight of those around him.*

*In our first reading, taken from the book of Leviticus, the rules relating to who is considered 'unclean' are set out including the qualification for banishment from the community.*

*In the Gospel, one such outcast, suffering with leprosy, breaks the rules designed to maintain isolation. We read how Jesus responds to this desperate plea - with merciful, physical contact - resulting in the person being restored not only to health, but also to a rightful place within the community. There is a further, ironic consequence to this response, with Jesus becoming an outcast himself, now having to stay in places where nobody lives.*

*Let us pray for that grace this week, 'to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage.'*

*With prayers and best wishes for the week, **Deacon Jon***

**The Presbytery Porch** remains open. Copies of the latest newsletter are available. Any cash, cheques, numbered envelopes and Mass offerings should be put through the letterbox in the Presbytery door.

**Thank you** for continuing to support our parish. Your support is very much appreciated, especially so in the absence of our usual fundraising events and income from the letting of the hall.

**The Food Bank** urgently require contributions. At present they ask especially for **Baked Beans, Tinned Tomatoes** and **Pasta**. Donations may be left in the Church porch before or after Mass, or in the Presbytery porch, which is always open.

**Please check the parish website** - [www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk](http://www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk) - for the latest updates and pass on any information to parishioners known to you who do not have access to the website.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Tony Crist, Noel Cutler, Margaret & Tom Dempsey, Joanne Donoghue, Max Foreshew, Magda Gallanti, Angela Goff, Nell Hassett, David Kennedy, David Mortby, Cyril Wass and all in the parish who are sick.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember all whose anniversaries are about this time.
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**Collections 7 February**

Offertory Collection	£186.70
Church Maintenance	£34.00
January Standing Orders.	£578.50

