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Sunday 30th	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR 10.00 am: Mass
Monday 31st July	St Ignatius Loyola No Mass
Tuesday 1st August	St Alphonsus Liguori No Mass
Wednesday 2nd August	Feria (St Eusebius of Vercelli) 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Thursday 3rd August	Feria (St Oswald) 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Friday 4th August	St John Vianney 8.30 am: Adoration 9.30 am: Mass
Saturday 5th August	Feria (Dedication of Basilica of St Mary Major) 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Sunday 6th August	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD 10.00 am: Mass

Confessions are available before and after Mass, or on request.

Please pray for: Kathleen Martakis, Alfred Tindale and Mary Megson whose anniversaries occur during the coming week.

Notices

Please Note: there will be no Mass this Tuesday.

No More Tea and Coffee after Mass . . .

Because the volunteers who serve the drinks and clear up afterwards are going on holiday, and many of the parishioners will be away as well, there will be no more tea and coffee after Mass until September.

SVP Coffee Afternoon

The next Coffee Afternoon will be this Thursday, 3rd August, in the Marist Hall at 2.00 pm. Quiz, raffle, book stall and refreshments. All welcome.

House Visits

Please let Fr Joseph know, if you would like him to visit you.

Hospital Chaplain

If you, or someone you know, is in hospital and would like a visit from the Chaplain, please contact Deacon Bob directly on 470456.

Prayer for those in Turkey and Syria affected by earthquakes

God of Mercy,
we pray for the people of Turkey and Syria
following the recent earthquakes.
We mourn the death and destruction,
and pray for those who have died and those who grieve.
Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.

We hold in our hearts those who are injured,
and those who have lost loved ones, livelihoods and homes.
Sustain and guide all responding to this disaster.
Grant those affected courage and resilience
as they rebuild their lives and communities.
Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.
Inspire us to unite in solidarity,
acting swiftly and generously,
so that help may reach all who need it.
Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.
Amen.

Prayer for those affected by the Pakistan Floods

O Lord, in the goodness of your constant love,
be with the people of Pakistan
as they face devastating floods.

At this time of great loss –
loss of lives, homes and crops –
may we be filled with your compassion
and moved to reach out in love.

As we stand alongside our sisters and brothers, we pray that
they may find consolation in their sorrow,
strength as they seek shelter and safety
and courage to carry on.

Forgive us, O Lord,
for our part in the climate crisis,
and inspire us all to play our part
in protecting the earth, our common home.

So that together we may build a world
that reflects your glory,
where hope drives out despair
and all things are made new.

Prayer for Ukraine

(Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski of the Ukrainian Catholic Church)

God of peace,
your prophet Isaiah promised swords
would be turned into ploughshares,
and your Son's mother Mary
proclaimed the mighty would be put down
and the humble exalted.

Visit the people of Ukraine:
deliver them from fear, violence, attack,
injury, destruction and death;
and give them courage, solidarity,
and allies in their hour of vulnerability and sorrow.

Turn the hearts of those bent on war and invasion.
Strengthen the hand of all seeking to halt conflict,
restore order, and pursue justice.

And make this moment of peril an occasion
for your Holy Spirit to show your world the cost of conflict,
and our dependence on one another.

In Christ our Lord who went to his death
because of our hatred,
and rose again
because our hatred is never stronger
than your indomitable love.

Amen.

Prayer sent by Missio