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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(JULY 13, 2025)

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;

I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

Response to the Psalm: Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

Gospel Acclamation: Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life;

you have the words of eternal life.

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home,

and the swallow a nest for her young:

by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house,

for ever singing your praise.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

CONFESSIONS

6.00pm (Sat) 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (1st Mass of Sunday) 06.00pm Mass - Henrycka Bogdaniec (RIP)

SUNDAY 08.00am Mass - Josefina D'Costa (RIP)

09.30am Mass - Vir Sawant (Intention)

11.00am Mass - Peter Moran (Anniversary)

MONDAY NO MASS

TUESDAY 09.00am Mass - John D'Souza (Thanksgiving)

WEDNESDAY 09.00am Mass - Anne Cooney (Anniversary)

Francisco Souza (Anniversary) Jovina Albuquerque (RIP) Magdalena Gonsalves (RIP)

THURSDAY 09.00am Mass - Lamuel De Souza (Intention)

> John Lincoln (RIP) Vincent Cabral (RIP)

FRIDAY 09.00am Mass - Ubaldinha Dias (Intention)

Peter Vas (RIP)

Kevin Fernandes (Anniversary)

NEXT SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (JULY 20, 2025)

SATURDAY (1st Mass of Sunday) 06.00pm Mass - Shabina Araujo (Annversary)

SUNDAY 08.00am Mass - Anysia Bar (Intention)

> 09.30am Mass - Santana Dias (RIP) 11.00am Mass - Ranvil Cardozo (RIP)

> > Franc Fernandes (Intention)

PARISH PRIEST: Bishop Bosco has appointed a Parish Priest for St Marys. Fr Dominic Findlay-Wilson. Fr Dominic has been ordained for 11 years and is currently Parish Priest in Glastonbury in Somerset. Some of you will know him as he was an assistant Priest at Holy Rood Church in Swindon for some years. He will come to St Marys later in summer.

FAREWELL GIFT: If you wish to donate to Fr Michael's leaving gift there are envelopes available at the back of the Church. These can be handed in at any time. You can also contribute on the card reader.

FATHER MICHAEL: Father Michael's last weekend at St Mary's will be on 26th and 27th July. He will celebrate all four Masses. After the 11am Mass on 27th July we will have a farewell gathering in the garden.

If you would like to contribute any snacks toward this gathering or have any suggestions, please speak to Deacon Elias Fernandes.

There will also be a small meeting after each Mass on the 12th and 13th of July in the sacristy to discuss and plan for the farewell. If anyone would like to be a part in the organising the farewell please meet us after Mass in the Sacristy. Thank you Natasha Vas

WELCOME: We welcome Fr Peter Smith to our Parish. Fr Peter is from the Diocese of Birmingham and will be helping with Sunday Mass during the months July & August.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Church Megan Grace Gonsalves and Adrian Gomes who are being baptised here in St Mary's Church this weekend & next week.

FIRST COMMUNION: Congratulations to Royena Teixeira and Venice Afonso who will make their First Holy Communion this weekend.

MISSIO: There are handouts of 'Mission Today' magazine at the back of the Church for you to take home. Your support in whatever way you can, will help them carry out their work to the poor and needy around the world.

The 8TH Annual Youth Convention – THE GOOD SHEPHERD organised by the Goan Chaplaincy Swindon is taking place on July 19th 2025 at the CRYSTAL GRAND, Slough SL1 3UA There are Bus arrangements made from 7.30am at The Range, Fleming Way, Swindon SN1 2NN especially for the Youth between the age of 13-35, to book your spot, the youth will have to register on the link below: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/goanchaplaincyswindon/8th-annual-youth-convention-the-good-shepherd/e-ajgxxx Poster at the back of the Church. See Poster on the board.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR: If you care about children, believe in Catholic education, want to transform lives, then our Catholic schools need you! You could serve as a Foundation Governor or Director? Please take a letter from the Bishop from the back of the Church.

GIFT AID DONATIONS: Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFERTORY: The offertory collection last Sunday came to £1462.48 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

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Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who are sick especially: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Emmanuella Ruck, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake, Nicola Campbell, Tommy Fox

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

'The word is very near you, so that you can do it.'

Moses spoke to the people: 'Obey the voice of the LORD your God, keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

'For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 69(68):14, 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36ab, 37. R cf. 33

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

I pray to you, O LORD, at an acceptable time. In your great mercy, answer me, O God, with your faithful salvation. LORD, answer, for your mercy is kind; in your great compassion, turn toward me.

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

As for me in my poverty and pain, let your salvation, O God, raise me up. Then I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

The poor when they see it will be glad, and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the LORD attends to the needy, and does not spurn his own in their chains.

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

For God will bring salvation to Sion, and rebuild the cities of Judah. The children of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there.

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

Second reading

Colossians 1:15-20

'All things were created through him and for him.'

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might

be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Cf. John 6:63c, 68c

Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

'Who is my neighbour?'

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.'

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do likewise.'