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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 11:00am REQUIEM

Thelma Williams RIP

Tuesday 10:00am Sean Russell RIP Wednesday 10:00am Liturgy of the Word

7:00pm Anthony Turtado RIP

Thursday 10:00am Margaret Norris RIP Friday 10:00am Sir Maduekwa RIP Saturday 6:00pm Intention of Jim

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 8:30am Intention of Beatrice 10:00am People of the Parish

12:00noon Intention of Jean-Marie

Peckham Citizens are talking to the developers of the new Aylesham Centre. Please let Bill Morris know any ideas you have about it at: bill@morrisarchitect.co.uk

The Manna Centre

The Manna Centre is a day centre for the homeless. It provides meals, personal care facilities and other support for people living on the street. It's open daily. It relies largely on voluntary donations and gifts for its work.

A group of parishioners from St James have decided to collect for the Manna Centre again on a regular basis.

During July and August, we will be collecting tinned food to support the centre's meals provision. There will be a collection box and list of items in the hall for donations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

Pilgrimage

Where would you like to go on pilgrimage, probably in November or after Easter in 2023? Please let me know. No matter where we go, we will need cash, so why not start saving now.

FR JACK

Probably the best short story ever told and the best known world-wide by all religions:
The Good Samaritan. We know it by heart, we have heard it a thousand times, we even use the phrase, "be a good Samaritan." We all know what it means. You could even say we are quoting scripture, but the call to be a GS is something else.

We are all good from time to time and help now and again. But we say there is a limit. This, I believe, is the difference between a Christian and a non-believer. The non-believer may get tired. A Christian never gets tired. You go on and on. As Jesus says to give without counting the cost, now there is a challenge. When you start to count you have lost the plot. Jesus gave the last drop of blood, we are called to do no less, giving a bit here and there. Yes, you're a good person, even a nice person, but as Paul says: - "Even the pagans do as much, do they not?"

So being a GS demands sacrifice. Now there is a word you don't hear too often, S.A.C.R.I.F.I.C.E. By and large we do not like making sacrifices, going to mass is a sacrifice, spending time with people we may not like is a sacrifice, giving up something for the benefit of another is a sacrifice. And that is the call of the gospel, going the extra mile.

Dictionary definition of SACRIFICE. To give up something <u>important</u> or <u>valuable</u> so that other <u>people</u> can do or have something else.

Senior Ladies Tea Party

A number of parishioners meet every Thursday at 2pm in the hall for tea and a chat about future possibilities. Why not come and join them?

Please pick up your gift aid envelopes from the back of church.