

**Jer. 17: 5-8**

The Lord says this:  
'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,  
who relies on things of the flesh,  
whose heart turns from the Lord.  
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:  
if good comes he has no eyes for it,  
he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in salt land, uninhabited.

A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,  
with the Lord for his hope.  
He is like a tree by the waterside  
that thrusts its roots to the stream:  
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,  
its foliage stays green;  
it has no worries in a year of drought  
and never ceases to bear fruit.'

**Psalm response:**

Happy the man who has placed  
his trust in the Lord.

1. Happy indeed is the man  
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;  
nor lingers in the way of sinners  
nor sits in the company of scorners,  
but whose delight in the law of the Lord  
and who ponders his law day and night.  
**R/.**

2. He is like the tree that is planted  
beside flowing waters,  
that yields its fruit in due season  
and whose leaves shall never fade;  
and all that he does shall prosper. **R/.**

3. Not so are the wicked, not so!  
For they like winnowed chaff  
shall be driven away by the wind.  
For the Lord guards the way of the just  
the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R/.**

**1 Cor. 15:12. 16-20**

If Christ raised from the dead is what has  
been preached, how can some of you be  
saying that there is no resurrection of the  
dead? For if the dead are not raised,  
Christ has not been raised and if Christ  
has not been raised, you are still in your  
sins. And what is more serious, all who

have died in Christ have perished. If our  
hope in Christ has been for this life only, we  
are the most unfortunate of all people.  
But Christ has in fact been raised from the  
dead, the first-fruits of all that have fallen  
asleep.

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom  
to mere children.  
Alleluia!*

**Luke 6:17. 20-26**

Jesus came down with the Twelve and  
stopped at a piece of level ground where  
there was a large gathering of his disciples  
with a great crowd of people from all parts  
of Judea and from Jerusalem and from the  
coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had  
come to hear him and to be cured of their  
diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he  
said:  
'How happy are you who are poor; yours is  
the kingdom of God.  
Happy are you who are hungry now; you  
shall be satisfied.  
Happy you who weep now; you shall laugh.  
Happy are you when people hate you, drive  
you out, abuse you, denounce your name  
as criminal, on account of the Son of Man.  
Rejoice when that day comes and dance  
for joy, for then your reward will be great in  
heaven. This was the way their ancestors  
treated the prophets.

But alas for you who are rich: you have  
your consolation now.  
Alas for you who have your fill now: you  
shall go hungry.  
Alas for you who laugh now: you shall  
mourn and weep.  
Alas for you when the world speaks well of  
you! This was the way their ancestors  
treated the false prophets.'



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Sunday 17th. February 2019  
Sixth Sunday of the Year  
Eucharistic Prayer 2  
Psalter Week 2 - Weekday Series 1

<b>SAT.</b> 16th.	<b>6.00 pm.</b>	Mass	Private Intention
<b>SUN.</b> 17th.	<b>10.00 am.</b>	Mass	People of the Parish
<b>MON.</b> 18th.	<b>10.00 am.</b>	Mass	Deceased Relatives/Friends List
<b>TUES.</b> 19th.	<b>10.00 am.</b>	Mass	Margaret Pittman RIP
<b>THURS.</b> 21st.	<b>7.00 pm.</b>	Mass	
<b>FRI.</b> 22nd.	<b>10.00am.</b>	Mass	
<b>SAT.</b> 23rd.	<b>10.00 am.</b>	Mass	Special Intention

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Sunday 24th. February  
Seventh Sunday of the Year

<b>SAT.</b> 23rd.	<b>6.00pm.</b>	Mass	Doran RIP
<b>SUN.</b> 24th.	<b>10.00 am.</b>	Mass	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Woodhall Spa - Sat. 10.30 am. - 11.00 am. Horncastle Sat. 5.30 pm. - 5.50 pm. or on request.
Baptism : By arrangement with the priest.	
Marriage: Six months notice - at least.	

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Madge Crowson, Anthony Monaghan, Jack Stevens and those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

Finance:

Envelopes: £141.90      Loose: £198.05      Standing orders: £78.92

Total: £418.87 Thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE: During the season of Lent, we will say the Apostles Creed instead of the Nicene Creed.**

World Day of Prayer (a change of name from Women's World Day of Prayer) is to be held on at 2.00pm on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> March in the Methodist chapel, Woodhall Spa. All welcome.

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales wish to alert EU citizens to the action they need to take should they wish to remain in this country after Brexit. Official information on the Settlement Scheme can be found at:-  
gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families  
Various information resources are available at:  
gov.uk/government/publications/eu-settlement-scheme-communityleaders-toolkit

### **Churches Without Walls"**

#### **Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All**

We will meet from 7.00pm till 9.00pm on **Tuesday 5th. & 26th. Feb.** thereafter every 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> (not 5<sup>th</sup>) Tuesday of each month, at the **Lions Den, 26A, Silver Street, Coningsby, LN4 4SG. Free parking** available in Silver Street Car Park. Coming out onto Silver Street, driveway entrance to Lions Den bungalow is across the road, between Ginger Cow Coffee Shop and Doctor's Surgery.

**"Come and see!" (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)**

#### **"Churches Without Walls" : Programme.**

We are exploring "Centering Prayer", "Lectio Divina", and "The Cloud of Unknowing", in relation to each other, leading into a **silent** session of "Contemplative Prayer".

"Intercessory Prayer" may be offered, **on request.**

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*Thought for the week:*

The faith that finds its expression in love is all that matters.

*St. Paul to the Galatians 5:6*

### **Catholic paper snippets:**

- Paralympic legend Baroness Tanni Grey-Thompson has strongly lambasted the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) decision to move to a neutral position on assisted suicide before launching a consultation highlighting that there had not been a two thirds majority vote among members for a change in position. The Baroness, writing in *The Times*, pointed to the activism of the assisted dying lobby encouraging the change, a change which suggests that there is a shift in medical opinion, whereas, she argues, the lobbyists know there is no chance of the RCP supporting the project. *The Universe (1/2) The 'Today' news programme on BBC radio 4 has once again already given sympathetic reporting favourable to assisted dying.*
- Fans of Coronation Street have raised concerns that underage girls can have an abortion in the UK without parental involvement with a story focussing on a pregnant 14-year-old consulting a nurse. The nurse suggested to the schoolgirl that if she didn't want to tell her parents she could speak to an adult first. Viewers took to social media that the teenager could have a termination without any parental consent. Parents have no legal right to be informed or consulted about their child's abortion. *The Universe (1/2) What is surprising about this is that when a child's right not to inform their parents was introduced many years ago, Victoria Gillick publicly protested drawing the nation's attention to the matter but had few followers. The Government and media are putting pressure on parents to monitor the hours a child spends on screen yet deprive those same parents of legal involvement in a fundamental life-changing moment in a child's life.*
- Polish people have thanked the people of Britain for their hospitality, and for the freedom to live, work and worship in the UK during the first ever Anglo-Polish service held at Westminster Abbey on the occasion of the 125<sup>th</sup> birthday of St. Maximilian Kolbe, who died in Auschwitz as a result of exchanging himself for a family man who had been sentenced to death by starvation in retaliation for the escape of a prisoner. The service was attended by over 2000 people. *The Universe (18/1)*
- Catholic Church leaders in the Congo have questioned the official outcome of the country's 30<sup>th</sup> December presidential election saying the published results 'do not correspond with the data collected by its 40000 observers while the defeated pre-poll favourite has gone to court to challenge the declaration. All major observation missions, including from the African Union claim Martin Fayulu, the favourite, won an absolute majority. *The Universe (18/1)*
- At least 15 Catholic churches have received menacing letters threatening bomb attacks and stabbings. St. Mary's, High Green, Sheffield received a handwritten letter on 4<sup>th</sup> January warning the church to cease services 'straight away' otherwise the building would be 'petrol bombed while in service' adding that congregation members would be stabbed one by one if services continued behind closed doors. A national investigation is taking place. Seven churches in the West Midlands received similar letters. *The Universe (25/1)*