20th - 28th January 2024 **Masses and Services**

Ramsey

Peel

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Saturday	6.30 pm	Deidre Ashe		
Sunday	11.00 am	Marty Doherty	9.00 am	Parishioners
		(12th Anniversary tomorro	w)	
Monday	10.00 am	Mary Browne	10.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10.00 am	Kay Hurley	Midday	David Keane
Wednesday	7.30 pm	John Richmond		
Thursday	10.00 am	John Cain	Midday	Private Intention
		afte	er Mass Expositi	on of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	10.00 am	Safety of Unborn Child	11.30 John Gulliver	
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors		
	6.30 pm	June Werster		
Sunday	11.00 am	Private Intention	9.00 am	Parishioners
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Confessions: Ramsey - Saturday, after 12.30pm Mass & 5.45 - 6.15pm;

Wednesday 7-7.20pm. Peel - Sunday, 8.30 - 8.50am

Last Week's Donations: Ramsey - £774.70; Peel - £270.70

Readings for the Week

22nd January 2024 - Monday Second Samuel 5: 1-7, 10; Psalms 89: 20, 21-22, 25-26; Timothy 1:10; Mark 3: 22-30 23rd January 2024 - Tuesday Second Samuel 6: 12b-15, 17-19: Psalms 24: 7, 8, 9, 10 : Matthew 11: 25; Mark 3: 31-35 24th January 2024 - Wednesday Second Samuel 7: 4-17: Psalms 89: 4-5, 27-28, 29-30: Mark 4: 1-20 25th January 2024 – **Thursday** Acts 22: 3-16 or Acts 9: 1-22: Psalms 117: 1bc, 2; John 15:16: Mark 16:15-18 26th January 2024 – Friday Second Timothy1: 1-8: Psalms 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a,10 Matthew 11: 25 Mark 4: 26-34 27th January 2024 - Saturday Second Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17: Psalms 51:12-13,14-15,16-17: John 3: 16: Mark 4: 35-41

Feastdays of the Week

Wednesday	St. Francis de Sales. 16th.17th century. Bishop of		
	Geneva, Spiritual Guide, Doctor of the Church.		
Thursday	The Conversion of St. Paul.		
Friday	Sts. Timothy & Titus. Co-workers of St. Paul & Bishops.		
	St. Angela Merici. 15th/16th century. Founders of the		
	Ursuline Order for the education of girls.		

Prayer of the Faithful: Lord Jesus, your people shall be my people, Response: and your God shall be my God.

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Octave of prayer for Christian Unity continues until Thursday, the feast of St. Paul's conversion.

Words from Canon Philip

One of the notable 'weekday' Feasts kept by the Liturgy in the month of February is that of **The Chair of Saint Peter** on 22nd of the month. While celebrated with particular pomp here in Rome, it is a feast which effects all of us who are <u>in</u> <u>communion with</u> Francis our Pope because the day recalls the teaching and pastoral role which the Bishop of Rome, the Pope, has inherited through the centuries from Peter – ' you must strengthen your brethren' (Luke 22;32). The **cathedra** or **chair** of Peter stands for that position of teaching and unifying which the Bishop of Rome has – it is not just a call to continuity with years past but a challenge and appeal in the present for a unity which can be so threatened in our fragmented world and society but which is the unity of all God's children within the one flock under one shepherd, Christ Jesus himself. Not only in our civic society but also sadly even within our own communities of faith, there can be sown a dis-unity which strikes at the very heart of the witness which the disciples of Christ are called to present to the world – to be strong and steadfast in Christ.

So that our unity, our one-ness, is not merely a nice ideal but something 'real and active' we need to actively maintain our unity of faith and of action; sometimes the phrase is used '*sentire cum ecclesia*' to **feel** with the church, to have the love of the Church's mission and ministry so deeply planted within us that all we say and do seeks naturally, almost as our second nature, to maintain and promote unity – be it within a family, a parish, a Diocese or indeed the worldwide Church.

In the Mass there is a profound prayer for unity which sometimes can be a little overlooked or under-appreciated and it links the gift of peace with the gift of unity

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever.

May we be ministers of that peace and unity wherever we find ourselves.....