## 22nd February - 2nd March 2025 Masses and Services Ramsey Peel

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Saturday	6.30 pm	Parishioners			
Sunday	11.00 am	Philip MacLeod	9.00 am	John Sidney Kelly	
				Birthday (Deceased)	
Monday	10.00 am	John Dunworth	10.00 am	Communion Service	
Tuesday	10.00 am	Letitia Williams	Midday	Fr. W. McNamara	
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Monica Harris			
Thursday	10.00 am	Barney McGinley	Midday	Frances Peterson	
Friday	10.00 am	Rosemarie Towers	Midday	Private Intention	
		cure from illness			
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors			
	6.30 pm	June McKenna			
Sunday	11.00 am	Fr. Douglas McMillan	9.00 am	Parishioners	
Confessions: Ramsey - Saturday, after 12:30pm Mass & 5.45-6.15pm. Wed. 7-7.20pm					
Peel - Sunday 8.30 - 8.50 am					
Last Week's Donations: Ramsey - £689.40; Peel - £231.70					

## **Readings for the Week**

24th February 2025 - Monday 1, Sirach 1:1-10; Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29 25th February 2025 - Tuesday 1, Sirach 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37 26th February 2025 - Wednesday 1 Sirach 4:11-19; Ps119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mk 9:38-40 27th February 2025 - Thursday 1 Sirach 5:1-8; Ps1:1-2, 3-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50 28th February 2025 – Friday 1 Sirach 6:5-17; Ps119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12 1st March 2025 - Saturday 1, Sirach 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18; Mk 10:13-16 Feastdays of the Week St. Gregory of Narek. Born 950. Armenian monk, mystic & theologian. Thursday Declared Doctor of the Church by Pope Frances.

Saturday St. David. 5th/6th century. Patron saint of Wales.

**Lent 2025.** Lent 2025 begins next week, Wednesday 5th March. If anyone has palms from last Palm Sunday they would be welcome, by next Sunday in order to reduce them to ashes for Ash Wednesday.

God willing, we will have a **7.30am Mass on Mondays to Fridays** during Lent in Ramsey. **Easter Sunday 20th April.** 

Prayer of the Faithful: Jesus says, 'Do not judge, Response: **and you will not be judged yourselves.'** 

Please turn OFF your mobile phone when entering the Church. Thank you.

## From the desk of Canon Philip in Rome ......

## Some definite service

During this Jubilee Year there are 'mini Jubilees' held here in Rome throughout these months. We have just had the Jubilee of artists and those who work in the field of promoting culture and in weeks past we held the jubilees of the armed forces and forces of law and order, of Health Care workers, of Volunteers and of those who work in the world of Educators, research and teaching. There have also been Jubilees for different parts of the world; a couple of weeks ago we have the Nordic countries here in Rome, including the Prelature of Trondheim in Norway, with their Bishop, Eric Varden, . It was Trondheim (Nidaros) which was the Diocese which 'ran' the Isle of Man during part of the middle ages ( $11^{th} - 14^{th}$  centuries)

What these individual ' jubilees' are trying to do is to flesh-out the vision of Saint Paul when he says that there are a variety of gifts given but always for a' a good purpose ' and for the greater good ( Corinthians 12; 4-13 ). In our parishes on the Island and across our parishes in the Diocese, there are a rich variety of gifts which have been given; our task and indeed our privilege is to call these gifts into harmony and make them work for the greater good, for the good of all – and ultimately for that 'greater good' which is the proclamation of the Good News, the Gospel message. We believe that the Good News of Christ not only makes sense of who we are and who we are called to be, but also proclaims that there is a wisdom in the Gospel ( which has stood over the past 2000 years) which speaks to all aspects of our human life – from the world of heathcare to the world of art and Culture, from crime prevention and justice to the world of work and education !

What is the grace of God, the gift of the Holy Spirit, which is given to YOU ? It is a deep question which you may wish to take away with you and reflect on during these coming weeks and months- and for those who might be tempted to say ' oh I have no particular gift, I am very normal and regular and not important at all....' just remember the words of Saint John Henry Newman....

God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.