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5TH SEPTEMBER 2021

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Missal Reference

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Let us welcome Fr Hugo McBride who is celebrating Mass with us today.

Please take your bulletin home with you, as it cannot be reused during the pandemic.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – PSALM 146

My soul, give praise to the Lord!

It is the Lord who preserves fidelity forever,
who does justice to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who opens the eyes of the blind,
the Lord who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the orphan and widow,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign forever,
the God Sion from age to age.

My soul, give praise to the Lord!



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus was preaching the Gospel of the kingdom,
healing every disease and every infirmity among the people. **Alleluia.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Like the deer that yearns for running streams so my soul is yearning for you, my God;
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.*

SUNDAY 5 SEPTEMBER – SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

Sunday 5th 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	7.00am	Mass	Stan Kalinowski, Mr & Mrs Witkowski, Jenny Jacobs, Nicola Tomlin, Philip Kearey – All RIP (Anna Kalinowski); Lorraine McDonogh RIP (Rory & Norlie McDonogh)
	9.00am	Mass	Pro Populo Livestreamed Life Teen (Via Zoom)
Monday 6th	9.00am	Communion Service	
	4.00pm	First Communion class	
	4.30pm	First Confession class	
Tuesday 7th	9.30am	Gospelsharing	
Wednesday 8th The Nativity of the Virgin Mary	4.00pm	Grade 1 catechism	
	6.00pm	Communion Service	
	7.00pm	RCIA	
Thursday 9th St Peter Claver	5.00am	Men's prayer group	
	6.30am	Communion Service	
Friday 10th	6.30am	Communion Service	
Saturday 11th	8.00am	Communion Service	
Sunday 12th 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7.00am	Mass	Pro Populo
	9.00am	Mass	Louis Pienaar RIP (Beechey Family); Gabriel Mqwebu RIP (Andile Mqwebu) Livestreamed
		Life Teen (Via Zoom)	
NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
1st Reading: Isaiah 50: 5-9. 2nd Reading: James 2: 14-18. Gospel: Mark 8: 27-35.			
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ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Justin is away on annual leave camping in the Kruger.
There will be Communion Services from Monday to Saturday.
The Mass Intentions will be rescheduled to the nearest available date.

LIVESTREAMING

Sunday Mass (9.00 a.m.) continues to be livestreamed, regardless of the lockdown level:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxM01mrivjUZhPvFKNqRGA>

Please pray for the Sick, especially:

Parishioners

<i>Sr Catherina; Milly van Gogh; Lynne Brouard; Caron Martins; Maryse Bowman; Ron Akal; May Dormehl; Viarium Gonsalves; Maria Dus; Randy Tryon; Neil Smith; Jabu Ntuli.</i>	<i>Debbie Macpherson; Titi Pitso; Peggy du Plessis; Gladys Meyer; Pat Sturgess; Dudley Tullidge; Jacky Singh; Lynne Roberts; Andrew Booth; Chips Cairns; Bernie Patterson.</i>	<i>Richard Pearton; Shirley & John Kuzmanich; Brian Hoogewerf; Eileen Chapson; Yano Govender; Paige Leigh Went; Colleen Geldard; John Briginshaw.</i>
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Relatives

<p>Tris Tillard's sister; Hugh Elliott; Maryse Bowman's nieces; Jo James' nephew, granddaughter & son; Annette Hoyer's parents; Louise Kin's sister; Sharon Ellis' sister; Denise Irvine's daughter; Irene Helsdon's niece; Peter Squires; Stuart McGregor; Maude Quenet; Candice Houseman & Tracy Mendonidis' mother; Alma Osborn's grandson; Marjorie Mawbey's niece; Mary Ann Salvage's 4 brothers; Fergus McDonnell; Maryse Wardell's mother; Anna Kalinowska's mother; Ben Morasutti's son, Jo.</p>	<p>May Dormehl's brother-in-law, daughter & sister; Theresa Hoogewerf's aunts, sister, cousin, Steve; Fr Peter Lafferty; Heather Rorick; Lisa Grant's father; Peggy du Plessis' brother & sister, granddaughter, daughter-in-law; Rita Abraham's sister; Richard Pearton's niece; Michael Pearton; Ruth Florence's mother; Nomusa Mkhwanazi's brother; June Tatchell's mother; Lynne Tillard's brother; Bronwyn Murgatroyd's son; Maureen Pistorius; Pauline Leclezio's son & daughter-in-law; Brenda Bennison.</p>	<p>Michael Quarsingh's brothers; Duncan Miller's father; Norlie McDonogh's sister-in-law & brother; Marie Claude Maujean's grandson Luc; Terry Beechey's brother; Maureen Hutton's son & grandson; Marcia Swanson's mother; Jack Garbutt's son-in-law; Reneé Armstrong's son Greg; Eleanor Scott's husband; Margaret Beechey's daughter Chantel; Charmaine Quarsingh's brother-in-law Ross; Merylle Briginshaw's son, Shayne; Paddy Pirie's husband, George; Caron Martins' father & father-in-law.</p>
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Stella Gomes. May her soul rest in peace and may God comfort her family.

THE LIVING FAITH BOOKLETS

The Living Faith booklets (July to September) are available for R30 each in the baptistry before and after Masses.

ONE PERSON PER ARROW

For the safety of all, please sit with an arrow pointing *directly* at you. *One person per arrow* (not a couple). **2** in first row, **1** in second row, **2** in third row, **1** in fourth row... 😊

UPDATE ON PROCEDURES FOR GATHERINGS IN CHURCH

- At 9.00 a.m. Mass last Sunday the **first five rows** on the left of the church and the **first four** on the right were **empty**, except for three people. It is difficult to communicate well when people are as far as possible from the sanctuary. Please **fill** seats **from the front**.
- The last **three** rows of the church should be ribboned off so that the volunteers don't have to sanitize the whole church unnecessarily after every Mass.
- Those who have **booked** seats **must arrive** at least **ten minutes before Mass** to pass through the screening procedures and to allow the volunteer screening team to take the registers to the sacristy and prepare prayerfully for Mass.
- Those who have **not booked** seats must **wait outside "on standby"** unless fewer than fifty people have booked. Five minutes before Mass, those "on standby" may be admitted taking the place of the "no-shows".
- Even though a person **has booked**, if he / she arrives **five minutes before Mass** he / she will have to sit outside because it is an offence for more than 50 (including the celebrant and ministers on duty) to gather indoors.
- To minimize problems**, people are **urged to book** and **arrive at least ten minutes early**. Those with smartphones could set alarm reminders to book online early in the week.
- Book online at: www.cognitofrms.com/OurLadyOfFatimaCatholicChurch/bookingsfordailymasswelcome
- Those who don't have access to the internet / smartphones can book through the office.
- Let us all try to be reasonable, cooperative, and courteous in these difficult times.

PLEASE KEEP MASKS ON

Masks must be worn at all times (except when receiving Communion) to avoid the risk of "aerosol transmission" of the virus. Masks must cover the nose and mouth.

GOSPELSHARING

Ladies meet every Tuesday morning in the upper hall at 9:30am, to discuss and learn more about the scriptures in the Bible. Anyone is welcome to attend.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Meet every Thursday morning in the parish hall from 5:00 am to 6:00am, all men are welcome to attend.

FOOD FOR THE POOR

Please bring food for the poor to the office. Suggestions: mealie meal, baked beans, tinned fish. Financial contributions to the SSVP may be made using the bank details at the end of the bulletin. Donations over R500 are tax deductible. Apply to the SSVP.

APPEAL FOR WARM CLOTHING

We receive frequent requests for men's shoes, men's shirts, and jackets (especially small and medium), men's long trousers (especially sizes 28 to 32) and blankets. Please bring articles as soon as possible. The men will be extremely grateful.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

CWL would like to thank all those who have been making donations of bread tags and bottle caps, which have gone a long way to helping those in need of a wheelchair. Please pack bread tags separately from the bottle caps, as they go to different charities.

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

How do you expect the Lord Jesus to treat you when you ask for his help?

Do you approach with fear and doubt, or with faith and confidence?

Jesus never turned anyone aside who approached him with sincerity and trust.

And whatever Jesus did, he did well. He demonstrated both the beauty and goodness of God in his actions.

The Lord's touch awakens faith and brings healing

When Jesus approaches a man who is both deaf and a stutterer, Jesus shows his considerateness for this man's predicament. Jesus takes him aside privately, not doubt to remove him from embarrassment with a noisy crowd of gawkers (onlookers).

Jesus then puts his fingers into the deaf man's ears and he touches the man's tongue with his own spittle to physically identify with this man's infirmity and to awaken faith in him. With a word of command the poor man's ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

What is the significance of Jesus putting his fingers into the man's ears?

Gregory the Great, a church father from the 6th century, comments on this miracle: "The Spirit is called the finger of God. When the Lord puts his fingers into the ears of the deaf mute, he was opening the soul of man to faith through the gifts of the Holy Spirit."

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

For the Parish



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Branch Code:
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