

There will be refreshments after Mass today. Please stay with us for tea, coffee, water and cake. Donations are welcome. Wine and beer are available at a small charge.

The **Old Treasury Shop** will be open today. Please visit it and have a look at the wonderful selection of items available. New olivewood goods have recently arrived from Blessings in Bethlehem, so please have a good look around.

If you are visiting us, and if you sing in a church choir at home, you are very welcome to join our Sunday choir. Music and robes will be provided. Please make yourself known to the stewards, the churchwardens or the organist.

We are supporting the local **Soup Kitchen OFM Valletta**, run by the Franciscan Community. Financial gifts and non-perishable food are both very welcome. The collection point for your gifts is at the back of the Cathedral.

This year's Common Fund payment to the Diocese will be € 19 384. Please reflect on this prayerfully when you consider the level of your giving to the Cathedral. Thank you.

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ST. PAUL'S PRO-CATHEDRAL



SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026 THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SERVICES IN MALTA – JUNE

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| Sunday | 14 | 11.00 | SUNG MASS |
| Tuesday | 16 | 11.00 | SAID MASS |
| Thursday | 18 | 11.00 | SAID MASS |
| Sunday | 21 | 11.00 | SUNG MASS |

OUR LADY & ST GEORGE, GOZO – JUNE

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| Wednesday | 17 | 11.00 | SUNG MASS |
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LECTIONARY – JUNE

- 14 Second Sunday after Trinity
- 15 Evelyn Underhill, Spiritual Writer, 1941
- 16 Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253
Joseph Butler, Bishop of Durham, Philosopher, 1752
- 17 Samuel & Henrietta Barnett, Social Reformers, 1913 &
1936
- 18 Bernard Mizeki, Apostle of the MaShona, Martyr, 1896
- 19 Sundar Singh of India, Sadhu (holy man), Evangelist,
Teacher, 1929
- 21 Third Sunday after Trinity

Prayer Diary Pray for our fellowship with the German Protestant Churches (Evangelische Kirche Deutschland) (Meissen Declaration). **Diocesan Office:** Pray for the Locum Ministry Administrator and for the Communications Team.

Anglican Communion Pray for the Province of South East Asia.

World Council of Churches Pray for Botswana, Zimbabwe.

Long term sick and housebound: Michele Magro, Aldo Packer, Sandra Davids, Alex Jolliffe, Bernadette Carrera Lowe, Cameron Sutherland, Gina Grand, Linda Henry Stella Vickers, Pat Armitage, Margaret Welch, Diana Hampson, James Holliday, Amy Holliday, William Farr Smith, Francesa Camillieri (Names included until advised).

Short term sick and those in need: Christobel Borg, Elisabeth Leembruggen, Charity Tait Ovbiagele, Joanna Attard, Dee Hopkinson, Margaret Weaver, Kathy Bianchi.

RIP: Dorothy Simms, Bill Stafford.

At their year's mind we pray for: Ronald Peace, George Vickers, Diana Finnis, Kathleen Chantry, Trixie Newey, William Datchens, Gerry Maidens, Margaret White, Geraldine Smith, Bishop Geoffrey Rowell, Angela Bennington, John Green, Royce Turner.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

FIRST READING

GENESIS 21.8-21

PSALM

PSALM 86.1-10

SECOND READING

ROMANS 6.1b-11

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 10.24-39

Hymns usually singing all verses

516 Love divine, all loves excelling
469 I heard the voice of Jesus say
386 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
321 Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking,
585 The church's one foundation

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FIRST READING

GENESIS 18. 1-15

A reading from the book of Genesis

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and

good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?' The LORD said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

PSALM 116

9-17

Response: Gracious is the Lord and righteous

I believed that I should perish for I was sorely troubled; and I said in my alarm, 'Everyone is a liar.' How shall I repay the Lord for all the benefits he has given to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants. **R.**

O Lord, I am your servant, your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. In the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Alleluia. **R.**

SECOND READING

ROMANS 5.1-8

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand;

and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9.35-10.8

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.' Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.'