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This Week's Services:

Week 4, Ordinary Time, Year C; Weekday Mass readings Yr 2

Divine Office - Psalter Week 4.

Sun. 31st	10am	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon. 1st		No Mass
Tue. 2nd	7:30pm	Candlemass
Wed. 3rd	12 noon	Feria
Thurs. 4th		No Mass
Fri. 5th	10am	Feria
Sat. 6th	10am	Feria
Sun. 7th	10am	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Last week, when Jesus spoke in the synagogue, his words pleased the crowd - as we hear at the beginning of today's Gospel. How quickly the mood changes! This story shows very clearly that Jesus was not a "crowd-pleaser" - he wasn't interested in saying the right things to be popular or accepted. He was interested in the truth - which is the basic definition of a prophet - whatever the personal cost. So today, when Jesus points out that salvation is not just for the Jews, or even just the people of Nazareth, they reject the message and the messenger. Just like Jeremiah, when he was called to be a prophet (first reading), Jesus has to confront the land: they will fight with him, but not overcome him

- EBSFLEET LAY CONGRESS 2016—SATURDAY MARCH 5th, 10:30am-4pm at Coventry Cathedral.

Former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams will be speaking on 'How Anglican Catholics Grow'.

- Friday mass is now at the earlier time of 10am, After mass we will help get the church clean and ready for Sunday (*as we do before major festivals*). This will replace the Saturday cleaning rota. Many hands make light work!

- Candlemass (The Presentation of the Lord)
Tuesday Feb 2nd: Mass at 7:30pm.

TODAY'S HYMNS:

	Mission Praise	
INTROIT:	41	At the name of Jesus
GRADUAL:	59	Blessed assurance
OFFERTORY:	Sheet	Sacrament of love
COMMUNION:	Sheet	You know me.
RECESSIONAL	89	Come down., O love divine

MASS SETTING: 'A Parish Mass' - Peter Jones