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A local Priest came in each Sunday to celebrate Mass, but many of those who came simply went to get out of their Cells for an hour.

The small change that you bring in each week – your 10ps, 5ps, 2p, and 1ps go to the Prisoner Outreach Organisation that provides the “My Day By Day” booklets of Daily Bible Readings.

If only one person benefits from them it will be well worth while. So, please continue to bring in your loose change. It can make a huge difference.

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