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THE YEAR OF THE WORD



DATE

Sunday 12th July 2020

SUNDAY

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 3

**The 9.30am Sunday Mass, and all weekday Masses
will continue to be live-streamed.**

<u>Saturday 11th July</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Lily Payne RIP ^(SH)	(1st Public Mass)
<u>Sunday 12th July</u> Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	People of the Parish Int. of all Keyworkers Con Emerson RIP	
<u>Monday 13th July</u> Feria	9.15am	Int. of John Hayes	
<u>Tuesday 14th July</u> St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest Memorial	9.15am	Int. of the Eden Family ^(Sr. A)	
<u>Wednesday 15th July</u> St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Memorial	9.15am	No Services Today	
<u>Thursday 16th July</u> Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Memorial	7.30pm	Norman Hegarty RIP	
<u>Friday 17th July</u> Feria	9.15am	Eddie Wilson RIP ^(CA)	
<u>Saturday 18th July</u> Feria	9.30am 6.00pm	Int. of Maureen & Brian Wilkes ^(FH) Int. of the SMA Family ^(SVP)	
<u>Sunday 19th July</u> Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	Victor Alonzo RIP ^(MB) People of the Parish For all who work in the NHS	

Pope Francis

Evil never gives peace. It causes frenzy first then leaves bitterness. Instead, God's voice never promises cheap, easily acquired joy. He invites us to go beyond our ego to find that true good: peace.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

From this Sunday onward the 9.30am Sunday Mass, and all weekday Masses will continue to be live-streamed for those who at this time cannot be with us for Mass. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the right side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please inform one of the stewards who will ensure that you are seated on the left of the church.

Weekday Masses

Weekday Masses, unlike Sunday Masses, are open to anybody to attend. Those who, when completing the 'Coming to Mass Form' stated that they would rather come to Weekday Masses will, of course, be given priority, and will have stated which Mass they intend to attend. All others will be admitted to the church on a first come first served basis. When attending these Masses you will be required to give your name, postcode and telephone number to a steward.

SMA Primary School

There are still places available in the Nursery at St. Mary of the Angels Primary School for the academic year beginning September 2020. If you are interested in a place for your child please contact the school office on 01922 743411.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of July: **Our Families**. We pray today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

Subscribing to our Newsletter

One of the best ways for us as a parish to share information is via the parish website and the weekly edition of the Parish Newsletter. A huge thanks goes to those who have been delivering the Newsletter to our parishioners over the past several weeks. One way of cutting the running cost of the parish, once we return to normal, is reducing the number of Newsletters we have to print each week. This can be done if you opt to receive a copy of the newsletter via email. If you would like to subscribe to an electronic version of the Newsletter this can be done via the homepage of the parish website.

CAFOD

Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 33

We pray for people in prison. May they be met with the face of genuine friendship and support on their return to society.

Our parish continues to support a parish, Magdalena Medio, in Columbia through CAFOD. Parishioners, who would like information on people and the developments there, can get the information from this address: cafod.org.uk/handson via the web.

The Trees

The trees on the north side of the church have been pruned, and I hope you will agree with me, they are now looking much better than before. We now have to look to the south side of the church!

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

Deirdre McLeary, David Goodwin, Jo Jones, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia ^(Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Mark Desorgher, Anna Morgan ^{nee Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Evelyn Hawkley, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey & Aine McDonagh.

Pray also for all who are suffering as a result of Covid-19, and those still isolating at home.

Instructions for attending Weekend Mass

Public Masses resume 11th July 2020

The following Masses must be booked:

- Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
- Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am, 4.30pm

Once you have submitted a form and have been allocated a Mass, this is the Mass that you must attend for the foreseeable future.

Attendees must:

- Follow the queuing system outside and wait to be admitted by a steward.
- Wear a facemask at all times.
- Remain 1 metre apart.
- Sanitise their hands on entering and exiting the church.
- Remain in their places at all times, only moving when instructed to do so by a steward.
- Listen to, and follow, the instructions of the stewards.

During Mass there will be No...

- Altar Servers.
- Readers.
- Children's Liturgy.
- Eucharistic Ministers.
- Offertory Procession.
- Physical sign of peace.
- Distribution of the Precious Blood.
- Parish Missals or hymn books.
- Singing.
- Collection.
- Congregating outside of the Church.

Distribution of Holy Communion

- Come forward in single file at the instruction of the stewards.
- Remove mask before receiving the host, and replace mask after consuming it.
- Communion will be given in silence.
- Receive communion in the hand with your arms fully outstretched and hands flat.
- Return to your places via the side aisles.

Please Note:

- There will be no kneeling during the celebration of Mass.
- The Church will be cleaned and sanitised after each celebration of Mass.
- All parish meetings, catechesis, and other events will remain suspended until further notice.

Please stay at home if...

- You may have a pre-existing medical condition that would render you vulnerable, or you are immunocompromised.
- You are feeling ill.
- You suspect you may have, or have been exposed to, Covid-19
- You have a sick relative at home.

If after attending Mass you...

- Become ill and test positive for Covid-19 you must contact the Parish Priest and inform him of the date and time that you attended Mass.

Booking in to attend Mass

I would like to begin by saying a huge thank you to those who responded so quickly in completing the 'Booking in form', and for your willingness to attend more than one Mass. It is only with your co-operation and generosity that we are now able to move forward.

There are still many of our parishioners for whom coming to Mass is still not an option, either because they are still having

to follow strict instructions given by the government, or they are simply not yet ready to make that commitment. If you do fall into either of these two categories I want to assure you of my continued prayers at this time. I can also assure you that you will not be abandoned, the live-streaming of the 9.30am Sunday Mass, and all weekday Masses will continue for as long as is necessary. Once you feel ready, and are able to return to Mass, the 'Booking in form' will remain on the 'Covid-19' page of the parish website until we can resume a more normal practice of public worship, you simply need to complete it and click 'Submit'.

And finally: A few days ago I held two meetings in the church for those who have volunteered to act as steward and cleaners in order that we may reopen our church. I have to admit that it evoked in me a strange and emotional response. For the first time in nearly 4 months I heard the sound of other people praying in what for a long time has felt like an 'empty tomb'. On the 14th July I will celebrate 7 years since my ordination as a priest. Since that day never did I imagine that a time would come when I would be celebrating Mass, not to mention the Sacred Triduum and the whole of the Easter Season, behind locked doors in an empty church. Nor did I imagine that a time would come when I would single-handedly have to take on the roles of cleaner, sacristan, flower arranger, newsletter editor, and now 'Parish Mass co-ordinator' etc, etc. Having spent 36hrs on my own cleaning the church before Easter, and again the whole of this week getting the church Covid secure, you begin to appreciate in a new way all that is done by so many people who generously give of their time to the church. I therefore want to say, as I normally would have at the end of the Easter services, a heartfelt thanks to all who have a voluntary role in the life of this parish, without you the church could not, and would not, run as smoothly as it does. Since the closure of the church life here has been very strange, however, all that I have had to do has been made that bit easier, that bit more bearable, knowing how much you have appreciated it. Whilst the live-streaming of Mass will never replace what it is for us as Catholics to be able to physically attend Mass; and in the early days your having to put up with the poor sound and video quality as I struggled, with no skill in that field, to get things right, it has brought much comfort to many. Your kindness, patience, prayers, love and generosity have been a great source of support and comfort, and I can assure you that it will never be forgotten. As we now move into a new phase, resuming public Masses in what will for a while yet be the new 'norm' I look forward to welcoming you back into your church.

May God bless you all. Fr. Craig