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THE YEAR OF THE WORD



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DATESunday 19th July 2020

SUNDAY Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

DIVINE OFFICE
Week 4

# Live-streamed Masses: 9.30am Sunday, and all weekday Masses.

<u>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July</u> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	_	Int. of the SMA Family (SVP)
a 1 10 <sup>th</sup> I 1	9.30am	Victor Alonzo RIP (MB)
<u>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July</u> Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.30am	People of the Parish
Sixteentii Sunday III Ordinary Time	4.30pm	For all who work in the NHS
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July Feria	9.15am	Claire Robinson RIP
<u>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July</u> St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Memorial Bishop, Doctor of the Church	9.15am	Int. of the Tynan Family <sup>(Sr. A)</sup>
<u>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</u> St. Mary Magdalene, <sup>Feast</sup>	9.15am	No Services Today
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July St. Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe Feast	7.30pm	Sick in the Parish (SVP)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> July Feria	9.15am	Int. of John Hayes (S&JW)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am	Int. of Mark Hopley 80th Birthday (PH)
St. James, Apostle Feast		John & Emma Hayes 25th Wed Ann. (JH)
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> July		Tony Andrews <sub>RIP</sub> (CA)
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary	11.30am	People of the Parish
Time	4.30pm	For all Keyworkers

### **Pope Francis**

Faith is either missionary or it is no faith at all. Faith takes us out of ourselves and towards others. Faith must be transmitted, not to convince but to offer a treasure. Let us ask the Lord to help us live our faith with open doors: a transparent faith.

# **Data Protection – Live-streaming**

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses will continue to be live-streamed for those who at this time cannot be with us in church. 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.

#### <u>Fr. Ryan</u>

On Thursday morning Fr. Ryan returned to the Venerable English College, Rome, to collect his belongings. In the current situation, and with the increased risk of infection due to air travel, I have, in the interest of my own health, and that of my parishioners, asked that he does not return to the Presbytery for 14 days following his return to the UK. This means that Fr. Ryan will be absent from the parish until after 6<sup>th</sup> August.

# **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.

#### Subscribing to our Newsletter

If you would like to receive a copy of the Parish Newsletter via email you can subscribe by completing the form on the homepage of the Parish Website. This is both good for the environment (less paper), and reduces the cost of printing.



Catholic Agency for Overseas Development Live Simply Prayer – Week 34

Teach us, Lord Jesus, gratitude for the communion and fellowship your Church gives us in our lives.

CAFOD has joined with the UK Disaster Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at <u>https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergenciesnews/Coronavirus-response</u> to help CAFOD scale up its coronavirus response through our global Church family. Or use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your families and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: <u>https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Schoolfundraising/Summer-of-Hope</u>

#### **SMA Primary School**

As the summer holidays begin I would like to say, on behalf of the parish, thank you to all of the teaching and support staff at our Parish Primary School for all that you have done over the past year. A special thanks has to be extended for the way in which you rose to the challenge of Covid-19, keeping our school open and safe. We also wish the children of Y6 every blessing for the future as they move to their new schools in September.

# 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 <sup>(Dotty)</sup> 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 Theresa Chandler, Mott. Evelvn Hawkley, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Paddy Breen, Max Lewis. & Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

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

# Walsall LIFE

We thank all our supporters for their past generosity. At this time our help station is effective closed, and thus unable to take donated items. Once we are over this current crisis, we will hopefully once more, be able to advertise again in the newsletter.

# Instructions for attending Weekend Mass

# 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 immuno-compromised.
- 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 livestreaming 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: As 6.00pm drew near last Saturday evening I'm not sure whether I was more nervous then or at my 1<sup>st</sup> Mass seven years ago. It seemed strange to see people in the church after so long, made even stranger by the fact that they were all wearing masks. Whilst at all of the Masses we were few in number, it was lovely to hear the sound of voices making the responses to the prayers. As we now move forward we must ensure that we continue to be vigilant, not allowing ourselves to become complacent as we become accustomed once more to being back in church. The threat of the virus is still very real, and we must do all that we can to ensure that, as a church community, we play our part in controlling the spread of the virus. Once again, and now that the first week of public Masses has draw to a close, I must again thank all those who volunteered to act as stewards at the weekend and weekday Masses. Everything went very smoothly, and everybody that I have spoken to were very impressed with how it all went. This new phase in the life of the parish has only been possible with your help, and through your generosity, thank you. Getting used to the new norm will take a while. Getting back into the swing of things will take a while. No longer sitting at home, slippers on and a cup of tea at your side, watching the Masses via the internet, we must re-accustom ourselves with the liturgical actions, when to sit, when to stand etc. However, together as a community, supporting each other as we move forward, we will get there. All we need do is place our selves in the safe keeping of the Lord, sure and certain of His love and care for us all, knowing that in the end 'all will be well'.

May God bless you all. Fr. Craig