

Notices for week beginning 29th March 2020

Sat 28 th	6.00pm	Tom Costello RIP BC	
Sun 29 th	10.15am	Alice & James Lonergan RIP	
	6.00pm	Shibu Thomas RIP Anila	
Mon 30 th	9.00am	Nora Cody RIP MF	Week day Mass in Upper Room,
Tues 31 st	7.00pm	Paul Brady RIP DC	entrance by white door next to Presbytery
Wed 1 st	9.00am	Oisín Jude Sweeney RIP D	
School	9.45am	No Mass	Gluten free hosts
Thu 2 nd	9.00am	Malachy Quinn RIP BC	available in Sacristy
Fri 3 rd	9.00am	Parishioners	before mass
Sat 4 th	9.00am	No Mass	
	6.00pm	Eva McGrath RIP YH	
Sun 5 th	10.15am	Patrick & Kathleen O'Driscoll RIP	
	6.00pm	Holy Souls	

Legion of Mary – Mondays at 7.15pm – upper room – all are welcome to join

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – each Saturday 4.45pm – 5.45pm

Confessions: Saturday 9.30am – 10.30am and 4.45pm – 5.45

CHURCH WEBCAM: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv> (mass can be viewed from St Edward's Church on this website, mass will go ahead at the above times without congregation)

Singers and musicians needed at 10.15am mass on Sundays. Come along to sing and play to the Lord.

Thank you. Rita O

New Church Biro's in the Piety Shop £2 each.

Pope's Mission Statement for March: May the Church in China persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

Legion of Mary – Statue Visitation To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Legion of Mary in 2021, we are inviting 100 parishioners to accept the statue of Our Lady into their homes. The idea is to promote prayer and in particular the Holy Rosary in the homes of our parish. If you would like to be involved, please sign your name and phone number on the Legion of Mary noticeboard in the porch or give your name to Rita Ocho (07980 107834).

FAMILY OFFERINGS - Thank you for your presence among us, for your prayers, and for your generous monetary offerings that we know are sometimes given in great sacrifice. We promise to be good stewards with the contributions you entrust in our care last week **Offertory** £256.26

2nd collection Cathedral Maintenance £167.31. **Many thanks**

MASS ATTENDANCE: Sat(vigil) 65 Sun(10.15am) 93 Sun(6pm) 93 = 251

MASS READERS FOR NEXT WEEK: Sat (vigil) none

Sunday (10.15am) none **(6pm)** none

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for next week – Sat (vigil) none

Sun (10.15am) none **(6pm)** none

CASHIERS for next week:

CLEANERS FOR NEXT WEEK PLEASE none

CLEANERS: Anyone who would like to help keeping the Church clean, please contact Dirk Hermans (0121 689 0831, dmjpkb.hermans@blueyonder.co.uk)

SICK: Fr Denis, Fr Eugene, Rose Hyland, Peter Pamba, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, John Masterson, Ollie Hemming, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Keith Dunsby, Rita (Dunsby) Miles, Eileen Murray, Vickie Keating, Roger Hooke and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.

ANNIVERSARIES: For all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

WALK WITH ME – A DIOCESAN PRAYER: Lord God, our light and our salvation, we praise you for your gifts of life and faith. We thank you for the desire that you have planted in our hearts, our yearning to see your face. Help us to meet you in prayer, to walk in your ways, and to speak to others of our joy and consolation in your presence. Give us faithfulness in this present life so that we may come to know and praise your beauty with all our brothers and sisters in the life to come. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT: O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI: Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee for ever and ever. Amen

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work.

St John Vianney – *Pray for Us.*

PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us an inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

ADOREMUS – PRAYER FOR CORPUS CHRISTI O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All Praise & all Thanksgiving, Be Every Moment Thine (to be said three times)

Talk to Jesus, let Jesus talk to you, then talk to family & friends

“Heaven doesn't value what you have but what you give.” Pope Francis

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have mercy on us (say 3 times)

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made Flesh;

R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **R. Amen.**

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name]

Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.

Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.

THE DEEP END – Come forth Lazarus

In today's Gospel Jesus is surrounded by a culture of death. The disciples are afraid to go back to Bethany, the Jews want to stone Jesus to death, Mary and Martha are distraught over the death of their brother Lazarus, and Lazarus himself lies bound in the darkness of the tomb. It appears as if there is no hope. Jesus weeps for his friend and for those around him.

Yet, surrounded by a culture of death and despair, Jesus gives compassion and new life to those in turmoil. It is easy to say that nothing can be done when we are faced with difficult situations in our own lives. Yet Jesus says 'Lazarus, come forth' and to the people he says 'Unbind him, let him go.' It is a message for all of us to come away from a culture of death; to help unbind one another and to allow ourselves to emerge from the tomb. We are called to take away the stone. Today's Gospel is a story of liberation. Jesus gives a new insight into the power of faith over death. It is an active faith, one that urges us on to work for change and new life.

'What did you do while the planet was plundered? What did you do as the earth was unravelling? Surely you did something as the seasons started failing? Surely you did something as the mammals, reptiles and birds were all dying? Did you fill the streets with protest when democracy was stolen? What did you do once you knew?'

(From *Hieroglyphic Stairway* by Drew Dillinger)

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