

Notices for week beginning 5th July 2020

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| Sat 4 th | 6.00pm | Noel Sweeney RIP Michael Stanley RIP Oisin Sweeney RIP |
| Sun 5 th | 10.15am | Marie Marum RIP Tony |
| | 6.00pm | No Mass |
| Mon 6 th | 9.00am | Nancy Darby RIP Vincent, Geraldine & Sylvia |
| Tues 7 th | 7.00pm | Lucy Hester RIP Seamus |
| Wed 8 th | 9.00am | Aileen & Edwin Clifden RIP M |
| School | 9.45am | No Mass |
| Thu 9 th | 9.00am | Shelia O'Rourke Int |
| Fri 10 th | 9.00pm | Doreen Paoli RIP & Paoli Fam MM |
| Sat 11 th | 9.00am | No Mass |
| | 6.00pm | Jim McMullan RIP Mary |
| Sun 12 th | 10.15am | Matthew Barton RIP Ann |
| | 6.00pm | No Mass |

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)

Church website <https://stedward.org.uk/> the website has been updated and weekly bulletins will now be found here.

Gift Aid - during the lockdown, if anyone would like to change their donations to a bank standing order, please let Brendan Campbell know and he'll send the details that you will need. You can email him at bren.campbell@hotmail.com or call on 07887 915373.

Pope's Mission Statement for July: Let us choose the way of Jesus. It is a way that demands effort, but the way that brings peace.

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*
2nd collection. Many thanks

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: Rev Henry Hayward, Rev Leonard J Joppe, Rev William Rooney, Rev Leo Vincent Armishaw, Mgr Louis McRaye, Rev Joseph Pires, Rev Michael Gaffney, Deacon Anthony Bateman, Rev Brendan Mary Donlon, Rev Anthony Maguire, Canon Francis J Grady, Rev Seamus Heatheton. Also Pat Byrnes, Timothy Landy, Lily Handel, Anastasia Bird, Margaret Connolly, Aileen Clifden, Lesley Anne Guy, Anne McGillicuddy, Bridie Collins and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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

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.

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.**

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)

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

In the opening lines of the Gospel today, Jesus praises God for the grace of openness and humility he sees around him, for revealing ‘these things’ to infants and hiding them from the ‘wise.’ I imagine Jesus had had enough of the arrogance and the egos of the elite. The authorities of the time who were so closed to his message of love and compassion. Jesus’ disciples were not from the upper echelons of society, but they trusted in Jesus, they wanted to understand, they had an openness to learn. For Jesus, God’s grace was found in the humble, in those who were open to new possibilities, in those whose hearts were not hardened or consumed by ego.

Over the past number of months, we have all been humbled a little, whether we were open to it or not. The Covid-19 epidemic stopped us in our tracks and suddenly we realised we were not in control. We were humbled by a microscopic invader with macroscopic consequences.

While many opportunities lay in our cocooning, I am very aware how many are struggling with our new reality. It has been a traumatic and stressful time for most people. And yet, within it all, our faith asks us to watch out for signs of hope, for stories of resurrection all around us, for good news.

Today, we hear some of the most beautiful lines in the Gospel: ‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.’ Reading The Message interpretation of the text reads: ‘Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I will not lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.’

During days of uncertainty, may we remember and whisper these lines, with open hearts.

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