



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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33rd Sunday of the Year – Sunday 15th November 2020

NO PUBLIC MASSES during the current Covid-19 lockdown. But we will be open for PRIVATE PRAYER at the following times:

SATURDAY – 4pm to 5pm

SUNDAY – 10am to 11am

NO BOOKING NECESSARY

Mass Intentions to be included in Fr John's privately celebrated Masses this week:

Saturday – Michael Moss RIP

Raphael de Souza RIP

Sunday – People of the parish

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES

The Sunday Obligation remains suspended at present, but Masses and other liturgies can be located online.

Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales website:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/online-mass-directory/>

Our Lady Help of Christians:

www.churchservices.tv/rickmansworth

DIAL-A-MASS - 01642 130120

(local rate call)

St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough.

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

The church is fully Covid-19 compliant, so we look forward to welcoming you to come and spend some time in prayer and contemplation. We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, without Benediction.

Please wrap up warm, as we are required to keep church well ventilated!

Track & Trace

You will be asked for your name and a contact tel no on arrival, so we can maintain our statutory T&T record. These details will be securely destroyed after 21 days. Our Stewards will be on hand to guide you and answer any questions you may have.

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

The current lockdown regulations still prohibit public acts of worship, despite the effort of our church leaders and those of other faiths to assure the authorities that our buildings can be safely used. Our church will therefore be open once again, for private prayer this Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. We renew our thanks to the volunteer Stewards who making this possible. As I noted last week, I shall be offering my private Masses on Saturday and Sunday for the intentions reserved for those dates. These are listed in the adjacent panel. The second reading this week is our fifth and final extract from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians. It comes after the passage we read last week, in which Paul described the future coming of Jesus in word-pictures from current Jewish writings. But now he is emphasising that he cannot tell his readers anything about this time and season of the 'Day of the Lord'. What matters is that we should always be awake and ready for it.

CHRISTMAS CARDS 2020

We have received some enquiries regarding the sale of Christmas cards in the Repository. Sadly, it is not possible to order or sell stock at the present time, due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

PARISH IN COUNCIL MEETING on ZOOM - Tues 3rd November

Notes from this meeting have now been posted on the parish website. Paper copies available on request.

GET INVOLVED IN THE PARISH BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Many hands make light work! Please get in touch if you are able to volunteer as a Steward, Reader or Eucharistic Minister (training available). **Contact: 445163 or stbede185@gmail.com**

CONFIRMATION 2021

Sadly, we do not currently have a volunteer Confirmation Catechist in the parish, so Rickmansworth Parish has kindly offered to accept a limited number of St Bede's parishioners to join their preparation course.

Candidates must be 15 years of age this current school year (Year 10), commencing September 2020, or older.

Those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year are invited to register their interest with Fr Damian at Our Lady Help of Christians Church in Rickmansworth, using this link: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/rickmansworth/confirmation-2021-draft/>

CLOSING DATE: 30th Nov 2020

Contact: 01923 773387

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CHILDREN IN THE PARISH

Please ensure you keep your children engaged with their Catholic faith during these difficult times, especially if they are hoping to make their First Communion or require a Certificate of Catholic Practice for Secondary School next year. There are many ways you can keep in touch and get involved.

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND

We will continue to welcome donations if you have not already had the opportunity to donate. Please give generously to support our priests, who have given a lifetime of service, during their senior years and at times of illness.

You can also donate with your smart phone, via the QR code on the poster which is displayed on the church door.

VIRGIN MONEY GIVING

We now have the facility to receive donations to the parish via Virgin Money Giving. Simply visit the parish website, where you will find the details.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION – a prayer for all who are unable to receive Holy Communion in person

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.