



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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THIS PARISH IS PART OF THE WESTMINSTER ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE TRUSTEE CHARITY NO. 233699

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Sunday 29th November 2020

Open for PRIVATE PRAYER:

Saturday 28th Nov – 4pm to 5pm

Sunday 29th Nov – 10am to 11am

NO BOOKING NECESSARY

MASSES for next weekend:

Saturday 6th December – 6pm

Sunday 7th December – 10am

BOOKING REQUIRED

Mass Intentions

Friday 27th November

People of the parish

Saturday 28th November

Maryann Kennedy RIP

Sunday 29th November

Thomas Hearn (anniv)

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.

HOW TO BOOK MASS

Please apply between 9am Mon & 6pm Weds each week

Send an email to

croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk with the words MASS BOOKING in the title bar, or phone 01923 445163

We need to know:

Which Mass and No of people

(couples / families / groups from same household or bubble, can apply as one booking)

We will respond on Thurs/Fri to confirm your booking.

Face coverings are required in church, unless you are exempt.

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

Track & Trace

We will collect names and contact nos, which will be kept for 21 days.

CHRISTMAS 2020

Provisional plans are underway for Christmas Masses and a Candlelit Carol Service (subject to Covid-19 restrictions). ***Further details will be announced soon.***

CONFIRMATION 2021

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.

Please register your interest with Fr Damian at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, using this link: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/rickmansworth/confirmation-2021-draft/>

CLOSING DATE: 30th Nov 2020

Contact: 01923 773387

damianryan@rcdow.org.uk

KEEPING IN TOUCH ☎

During these isolating times, we are planning to contact as many of our parishioners as we can over the coming weeks. If you know of anyone who might be in particular need of a call – please let us know.

Remember to sign up for E-Alerts on the parish website, if you have not already done so!

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. **First Holy Communion 2021 plans will be announced in January.**

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Places available.

Contact: 01923 226987 asap.

Further information on:

www.stanthonys.herts.sch.uk

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

It was a great relief to learn that the prohibition of public acts of worship will be lifted at the end of the present lockdown period. We may hope that this weekend will be the last when we can do no more than open the church for private prayer on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. We renew our thanks to the volunteer Stewards, and look forward to welcoming back those who volunteer as Eucharistic Ministers and Readers. I shall be offering my private Masses this weekend for the intentions reserved for those dates, which are listed in the adjacent panel. Our second reading is again from the first letter of St Paul to the church he founded at Corinth. Last weekend we studied a passage from near the end of that letter, but this extract comes just after the opening greeting. In this letter Paul has to deal with many human problems in the community at Corinth, but he begins by praising them for their preparedness for the coming of Jesus in judgment.

CAFOD

Why not support CAFOD by giving a **'World Gift' for Christmas** from a selection of 40 charitable gifts, ranging in value from £4 for a bee to £4,000 for an entire Health Centre! Also options to contribute towards education, animals and farming healthcare, emergency support and water supply.

<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/World-Gifts>

Paper catalogues available on request for those without internet.

THE PASSAGE 'BIG GIVE'

Matched Giving Scheme

12noon Tues 1st to 12noon Tues 8th December

Support the homeless, and

DOUBLE your donation at

<https://tinyurl.com/PassageBigGive>

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Contact: Andrew Hollingsworth
0207 592 1886

andrew.h@passage.org.uk

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.