



## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2021

#### **FORTHCOMING MASSES BOOKING REQUIRED**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 6pm**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February – 10am**

#### **This week's Mass Intentions**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February – 6pm

*Roger Robinson RIP*

*(Int – Pat Cheese)*

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February – 10am

*People of the parish*

#### **LIVE-STREAMED MASSES**

The Sunday Obligation remains **suspended at present**, but Masses and other liturgies can be located on-line.

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](http://www.churchservices.tv/rickmansworth)

#### **DIAL-A-MASS - 01642 130120**

(local rate call)

St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough.

#### **MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN**

**Roger Robinson RIP**

**Mary and the family are deeply**

**grateful to everyone who**

**ensured that Roger's funeral**

**was held safely and within the**

**limits imposed by the current**

**conditions. They thank**

**everyone who has offered**

**condolences, including those**

**who could not attend the funeral**

**due to the restrictions, but were**

**praying for Roger's repose.**

**They look forward to a time**

**when the whole parish can join**

**them at a memorial Mass in**

**tribute to Roger's long record of**

**service to the parish.**

In our second reading this week we

move to a part of St Paul's first

letter to the Corinthians, where

Paul is defending himself against

the criticism that he expects no

financial support in return for his

preaching of the gospel. He

replies that the preaching is itself

its own reward, but that does not

mean he can boast about it; it is a

duty laid on him by God. However,

his financial independence does

leave him free to be 'all things to all

men', and thus bring salvation to

as many people as possible.

#### **CAFOD**

**'BIG WALK FOR WATER'**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

**See overleaf**

**A great idea for your Lenten**

**Offering, or just keeping fit!**

#### **CAFOD PRESENTATION on**

**ZOOM – Shrove Tuesday**

**16<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm**

In order to raise awareness of

CAFOD's valuable work, Fabian

(our CAFOD parish representative

and volunteer co-ordinator for

Watford Deanery) will be giving a

short presentation.

All are invited to attend.

Please email Fabian for the Zoom

link, ID & Password if you wish to

attend.

#### **KAIROS – Launching on**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021**

During the current pandemic we all

need ways to CONNECT, increase

our sense of BELONGING, and

find ways to EXPLORE & GROW

our faith.

**Kairos** (a Greek word used in the

Bible, meaning 'favoured time',

'opportune time', 'God's time') is a

new **programme of fortnightly**

**meetings on Zoom**, hosted by

Our Lady's Church,

Rickmansworth. The purpose is to

help us connect with others and

increase our sense of belonging to

a community of faith. **A typical**

**meeting will last 75 minutes –**

**beginning at 7.30pm**, and will

include some informal social time

in small groups, input on a religious

theme or topic, discussion, and

time for communal prayer together.

Once the pandemic is over, there

are plans to hold a quarterly social

evening, where we can meet in

person to enjoy each other's

company, over food and drinks.

If you would like to register, or

have any questions, please contact

the Kairos Communications team

at [kairos@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:kairos@rcdow.org.uk)

#### **YEAR OF ST JOSEPH**

**8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020 to 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021**

Declared by Pope Francis, in his

apostolic letter 'Patris Corde', on

the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the

proclamation of St Joseph as

Patron of the Universal Church.

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#### **Prayer to St. Joseph**

Hail, guardian of the Redeemer,

Spouse of the Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;

in you Mary placed her trust;

with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,

show yourself a father

and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and

courage

and defend us from every evil.

Amen

#### **HOW TO BOOK MASS**

**Applications between 9am Mon**

**& 6pm Weds each week please:**

**croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk**

(Entitled MASS BOOKING)

or phone **01923 445163**

We need to know:

***Which Mass and No of people?***

***We will respond on Thurs/Fri to***

***confirm your booking.***

#### **WHEN ATTENDING MASS**

**Please follow the directions of**

**the Stewards.**

Face coverings are required in

church, unless you are exempt.

**Please wrap up warm, as we are**

**required to keep church well**

**ventilated!**

#### **PARISH E-ALERTS**

We are still having issues with

btinternet email addresses. Please

check your spam box if you do not

appear to have heard from us!

#### **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.*

**CAFOD  
'BIG WALK FOR WATER'  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

The world has changed during the last year. The needs of the poorest and least privileged communities on earth have, if anything, increased - greatly - and yet our ability to help them has reduced. CAFOD's strapline 'No-one beyond Reach' is both more realistic and more challenged than ever. CAFOD, providing as it does financial support to projects led by local people, has a new challenge for us this Lenten season. We're being asked to **Walk for Water**. Can we – will we - go the extra mile this Lent?

In many parts of the world getting water requires a walk. In one part of Ethiopia that walk is five hours each way, and CAFOD is highlighting one young man who has to do that every day – pretty well all day. Moving to water just isn't an option – there isn't now anywhere to go. It's to communities like this that CAFOD seeks to bring a water supply. We can help that effort with effort of our own, in two virtual ways.

**The challenge is to take 10,000 steps. You can hop it; skip it; slide it; run it; jump it; dance it; stamp it; stomp it. It doesn't matter how... And even better, do 10,000 steps a day for the 40 days of Lent!**

**HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February we can join the '**Big Walk for Water**' virtual event at 2pm and do it together. (You can of course participate on another day to suit you)

- **Go to [cafod.org.uk/walk](https://www.cafod.org.uk/walk)**
- **Set up a JustGiving page (the webpage has links to help you).**
- **Choose a 5-mile (10,000 steps) route that suits you, within the COVID separation requirements, of course.**
- **Advertise your JustGiving page – the parish can help with that.**
- **Do your walk!**
- **Send some pictures or video to @CAFOD and #walkforwater, and tell your sponsors.**

If you decide to walk another 10,000 steps on each of the 40 days of Lent!

- Sign up to do that on the same page [cafod.org.uk/walk](https://www.cafod.org.uk/walk). CAFOD will send you a diary to record your achievement.
- Advertise your page! Fabian Hiscock ([fhiscock@cafod.org.uk](mailto:fhiscock@cafod.org.uk)), our parish CAFOD volunteer, can help you do that.
- Do your walking, record it - and tell people about it!

In these ways we can make a huge contribution to getting a proper water supply to those who really need it, and who have to spend so much of their time getting it.

**Fabian has already signed up for both challenges!**

If you would like to sponsor him, here are his JustGiving links:  
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Fabian-Hiscock>  
<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/cafods-walk-for-water>

This is also the theme for the **Lent appeal and Fast Day collection on 27<sup>th</sup> / 28<sup>th</sup> February**. Further information available from <http://www.walk.cafod.org.uk/>

**ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Are you seeking an outstanding education in a Catholic Primary school in the parish for your child? Due to families moving away, there are still a small number of places available for the current school year in Year 1. Information is available on the school's website: [www.stanthonysherts.sch.uk](http://www.stanthonysherts.sch.uk)  
**Please contact Elaine Harrold on 01923 226987 asap.**