



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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Twelfth Sunday of the Year – Sunday 20th June 2021

FORTHCOMING MASSES **BOOKING REQUIRED**

Saturday 26th June – 6pm

Sunday 27th June – 10am

This week's Mass Intentions

Saturday 19th June at 6pm

Neville Ransley RIP

Sunday 20th June at 10am

People of the parish

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES

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

DIAL-A-MASS - 01642 130120

(local rate call)

St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough.

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

We must continue to pray for our children who are preparing for their First Communion, but we should also remember the 9 teenage members of our parish who will be Confirmed at Our Lady's, Rickmansworth, next Friday evening – 25th June. Our renewed thanks to Fr Damian Ryan and the catechetical team at Rickmansworth for including them in their preparation course.

Our second reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians comes shortly after the passage we read last week. After defending his apostolic work and declaring his confidence that a heavenly home awaits him, Paul says how overwhelmed he feels when he reflects on the love of Jesus Christ. It controls us and compels us to live unselfishly, and changes our lives so completely that when we are 'in Christ' we become a new creation.

THURSDAY CLUB

Trial run – 17th June

We were delighted to welcome all who attended to first post-lockdown gathering this week.

Mass was celebrated at 10am, followed by socially distanced tea/coffee and cake in the Hall.

Many thanks to Louise and June for hosting, and to Paul for giving lifts where needed.

It was so lovely to see everyone.

We look forward to arranging the next one – date to be decided, so watch this space!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

Congratulations to the 14 children who made their First Confession last Saturday. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their First Holy Communion Masses next month. We are grateful to Anna Borrill and the Catechetics Team, and all the parents who are supporting the children on their faith journey.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 2nd July at 2pm

Venue: All Saints Church

This event, normally held in March, had to be postponed due to lockdown. It has now been re-scheduled, but current restrictions mean there will not be any refreshments afterwards. This year's World Day of Prayer service has been written by the women of Vanuatu. Everyone welcome!

CHRISTIAN AID

Many thanks to those who assisted with raising funds during Christian Aid Week. Volunteers from all the churches in Croxley Green delivered envelopes and collected donations. The total for Croxley so far is over £2400, which is approximately 35% down compared to 2019.

However, many people have donated online, and these figures are yet to be released, so there is still a chance that the 2019 figure could be exceeded!

STAFF VACANCIES at **ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL – GARSTON**

Teacher of Business Studies

Full time permanent post.

Learning Support Assistant

Term time plus 2 days.

Science Technician

Term time plus 3 days.

All posts start in September 2021.

Closing date for applications:
midday on Weds 30th June

For application pack and further details please contact:

Miss Viki Baker – 01923 673760

baker.v@stmichaelscatholichighschool.co.uk

CHANGE OF ADDRESS / TEL NO

Please remember to let us know if you change your contact details.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

At St Bede's we will be retaining our current Covid-19 precautions until further notice.

Mass Books can now be provided for use during Mass (to be collected in after Mass and quarantined until the following week).

Bidding Prayers have been re-introduced during Mass.

Eucharistic Ministers may now say 'Body of Christ' when administering Holy Communion, but recipients must still refrain from responding aloud.

HOW TO BOOK MASS

Applications between 9am Mon & 6pm Weds each week please:
croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk

(heading: MASS BOOKING)

or phone **01923 445163**

We need to know:

Which Mass?

Number of people?

Social bubble information? We will always confirm your booking.

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.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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

SAFEGUARDING

We are committed to improving the culture of Safeguarding in our parish, to ensure children and vulnerable adults are kept safe.

Would you be willing to become a Parish Safeguarding Representative, to share the task of promoting Safeguarding in the parish?

Further information available from
Ursula Bartlett – 01923 445163
Parish Safeguarding Representative

CAFOD

Work, in conjunction with Caritas India, continues to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres.

Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

You can donate online here:
cafod.org.uk/give

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

8th Dec 2020 to 8th Dec 2021

Declared by Pope Francis, in his apostolic letter 'Patris Corde', on the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church.

<https://rcdow.org.uk/faith/news/st-joseph/>

Novena Prayer to St Joseph from the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis, 'Patris Corde' (With a Father's Heart)

Hail, guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed 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

RECLAIM OUR COMMON HOME

This year the eyes of the world will be on Britain as we host world leaders for the UN COP26 climate talks. Pope Francis has already said clearly that "Climate change is a global problem with serious implications. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day".

A campaign by CAFOD and others is to 'reclaim our Common Home', by petitioning the Prime Minister and by making sure our MP is fully aware of our concerns.

The petition can be signed using cards (now available in church) for this purpose, as well as through the CAFOD website.

We will also be hoping to meet Gagan Mohindra in a 'community meeting'.

Further details available from Fabian Hiscock at:
fhiscock@cafod.org.uk