



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES HARPENDEN

## Rothamsted Avenue, Harpenden. AL5 2BD

18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST 2020

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The office is presently closed, but the Parish Priest and Administrator can be contacted

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#### COVID REFLECTIONS

The suggestions for prayer and reflection, during 'lockdown', will be found on the website at [parish.rcdow.org.uk/Harpenden](http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/Harpenden)

Usually, during August, the newsletter is not produced. However, this year, it is intended to do so, but in a modified form, just a sheet, not with all the information which we have sending out of late. It will just be simple parish information, live-streaming details and any further relevant information we may receive from the Diocese. The suggestions for prayer and reflection, during 'lockdown', will be found on the website at [parish.rcdow.org.uk/harpenden](http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/harpenden)

#### CELEBRATING MASS

Mass is now being celebrated four times a week: Saturday at 5.00pm, Sunday at 10.30am, and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9.15am. If you wish to attend one or other of these Masses please let us know. If you wish to reserve a seat for up to two people, please do so via the link on the parish website.



**If you do request a place, and then find you can't take it up, please be sure to let us know. When you come to Mass do keep to the guidance, and follow the Steward's instructions.**

#### VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you to everyone who has assisted with stewarding, and cleaning the church. Your assistance, for these essential tasks, is really appreciated. The need for more volunteers continues, especially now as some begin to go away on holiday. If you can assist with this task please contact the parish office.



#### CONFESSION

It is a long time since it was possible to hear confessions in church. We have now received permission to begin hearing confessions again, subject to certain guidelines. Anyone wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, should contact Canon Dwyer, to make an arrangement.



#### LIVESTREAMING

Mass will be live-streamed on Zoom, and YouTube



this coming week: Day	Time	Zoom Code
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	10.30am	849-6412-0824
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	9.15am	811 -7131 -0842
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.15am	826-6240-6032
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	10.30am	849-6412-0824

## BAPTISMS

We now have permission, as well as guidelines, for the celebration of Baptisms. Those whose Baptisms were postponed, should already have had a message from Canon Dwyer. Anyone wanting to discuss the possibility of a Baptism, should contact the parish office.



## THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

This coming Thursday, on the Feast of the Transfiguration, is the start of the Bible Reading Group's plan to read through the Bible in a Year, in celebration of the Year of the Word. A number of parishioners have already joined the group. If you wish to join them in their journey through Scripture in the coming year, please email Jay Caracciolo on [jay3gsm@gmail.com](mailto:jay3gsm@gmail.com)



## FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION



Dates have now been set for the completion of First Communion preparation, and for the Celebrations, in late September, early October. Parents should have received an email message, giving dates and further information.

We're still waiting to hear from the Diocese when we can go ahead with celebrating Confirmation, hopefully we'll have some news before too long. We look forward to celebrating both these sacraments, and keep our young people in our prayers.



## PRAYING TOGETHER

Let us be united in prayer, each evening at 7.30pm, in our homes; praying for everyone affected by Coronavirus. What prayer you use is your choice, whatever is familiar to you and your

family.



## NEWSLETTER

If you would like a newsletter sent to you electronically please send your email address to: [harpenden@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:harpenden@rcdow.org.uk) If you know someone who doesn't have a computer, please pass on a copy of the newsletter. We are also happy, if you let us have their details, to post out a copy.

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<b>SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST</b> 1.00PM <b>VIGIL MASS 5.00PM</b>	<b>ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI, BISHOP &amp; DOCTOR</b> Wedding Betty & Graham Hines (Golden Wedding Anniversary)
<b>SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST</b> 10.30AM	<b>18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</b> People of the Parish
<b>MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST</b>	<b>FERIA</b> Private Ints
<b>TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> 9.15AM	<b>ST JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST</b> Private Ints
<b>WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> 9.15AM	<b>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b> Maura & Vincent O'Sullivan (60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)
<b>FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> <b>VIGIL MASS 5.00PM</b>	<b>ST DOMINIC, PRIEST</b> Elizabeth Mullins RIP
<b>SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST</b> 10.30AM	<b>19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</b> People of the Parish
<b>CONFESSIONS - BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT WITH CANON DWYER</b>	