NEWS

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 27 September 2020

The latest COVID stuff: The new "rule of six" doesn't change our arrangements much. Our churches are "Covid-secure" places and so we can use them up to the socially distanced capacity allowed. However, inside church, no family or household group may be larger than six persons. Outside church - important after Mass - we may not gather in groups larger than six.

We have received instructions from Bishop John Sherrington reminding us that as from Monday 28th September, the number of people who can attend weddings is reduced from 30 to 15. The number for those who can attend Funerals and Baptisms remain capped at 30. Although further clarity is being sought about the news item that the number attending a baptism is reduced to six.

This week saw the launch of the new Test and Trace app. You can download it from the App Store or Google Play for free. Each of our churches has a QR code where you will be able to check in.

Keep in touch with the website and PLEASE consider volunteering to be a steward to keep the churches open.

- The Parish Office is open to visitors if you need to do any business there on Thursdays between 10-11am
- Fr James and Fr Tom can meet with you for any purpose on Saturday mornings regularly and other times as needed. Appointments have to be arranged.

SCHOOL TRANSFER AND ADMISSION APPLICATIONS: Any family needing to discuss the endorsement of "school forms" will need to arrange to meet with one of the clergy at a covid-secure setting and at an appropriate time. Please send in an email to the parish address with details of your name, address and the child's name also.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION IN THE COMING YEAR: Families with children going into Year 3, or others as appropriate should be in touch with the clergy to register an interest in preparation for Reconciliation and Holy Communion in the coming year. Young people in church, now in Year 9 or above and interested in the Sacrament of Confirmation should likewise contact one of the clergy. (*That's young people, NOT their parents!!)* For all these things it is best to wait outside church after Mass in the first instance.

SECOND COLLECTION: The next collection will be on the week beginning 3 October for "Peter's Pence" in support of Papal charities.

GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING: Monday 28th Sept, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed as last year this country saw the highest number of abortions ever. For details of our live saving work see www.GoodCounselNetwork.com Go onto the Facebook event and click **Going** and then click **Share** and then use the **Invite** option to invite others; https://www.facebook.com/events/729857867862331

CARDINAL VAUGHAN MEMORIAL SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS FOR YEAR 7 & YEAR 12: will be held remotely!! Visit www.cmvs.ac.ul/admissions for details, dates and how to apply.

SACRED HEART LANGUAGE COLLEGE VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING: Those wishing to apply for a place in Year 7 for Sept 2021 are invited to view the virtual Open Evening which can be accessed via our website: www.tshlc.harrow.sch.uk from Thurs 24th Sept onwards.

ST RICHARD REYNOLDS COLLEGE VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING: offering two Virtual Open Evenings for entry to Year 7 in 2021, on Tues 13th October, 2020 at 6:30pm and 7:30pm respectively. Details to sign up are available at https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk. We very much look forward to welcoming you to our College."

VACANCY AT ST RICHARD REYNOLDS COLLEGE: St Richard Reynolds are recruiting for an RE teacher with a specialisation in KS4 / KS5 from November 2020 (maternity cover). Part time will be considered. Please contact recruitment@srrcc.org.uk for further details.

RETROUVAILLE: A PROGRAMME FOR COUPLES STRUGGLING IN THEIR MARRIAGES: This is for couples with marriages that are struggling, maybe not communicating well, and for those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. Also for those who have already separated or divorced who want marriage help. Some couples come to Retrouvaille during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend. Some have been married for many years, others only a short time. For confidential information or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing on 12th -15th Nov call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

ROSARY WHIRLWIND BRITISH ISLES A follow up Rosary Mission to the Rosary Mission undertaken in May is to take place in October. Each night at 8pm - there will be an online Rosary which people will be able to tune into if they have access to either YouTube or Facebook. Please follow the Walsingham Blog Facebook page and also the Rosary on the Coast facebook page for updates. The sign up map for October 13th is on the Rosary on the Coast website …. www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk