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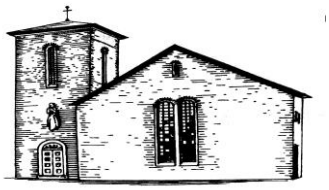

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Sunday 17th January 2021
Second Sunday of the Year

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday 17th January	
Mary Whelan RIP	**9 am**
Tom Moroney RIP	**11 am**
Monday 18th January	**10 am**
Noel Corley RIP	
Tuesday 19th January	**No Mass**
Wednesday 20th January	**10 am**
Jack & Chrissie Doran RIP	
Tony & Kathleen Fitzsimmons INT	
Thursday 21st January	**No Mass**
Friday 22nd January	**10 am**
Peggy Hill INTS	
Saturday 23rd January	**No Mass**
Sunday 24th January	
Josephine Gorman RIP	**9 am**
Fred, Sarah & Fergal Sharkey RIP	
Lew Collett RIP	**11 am**

CONFIRMATION
Many thanks to those who returned their forms. A letter has been sent to you and the course begins with a Zoom meeting with Fr Matthew on Wednesday 20th January at 7 pm.

PLANNED GIVING
We are currently in the process of reordering the planned giving boxes. Obviously it has been difficult for us to get the boxes to you this year and we are very grateful that so many of you have opted to give via electronic means, either through Virgin Money Giving or directly into our bank account. Details are on our website under "Donate to the Parish". If you would like to set up a standing order or offer Gift Aid, please send an email to the parish office requesting a Standing Order form. Many thanks.

SUNDAY PLUS
The template for this week can be found on the website for those of you who can't pick up a paper copy of the newsletter.

MASS TIMES
Like many churches in the Archdiocese, we have had to consider Mass times during this acute phase of the pandemic. Church attendance has been very low since before Christmas. Therefore, for the foreseeable future, Mass times will be as follows:
Weekdays at 10 am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday only, and weekend masses will be at 9 am and 11 am on Sunday only.

This means no mass on Thursday morning, or Saturday evening.

We will keep you informed as the situation develops. Thank you for your understanding.

HANDS, FACE SPACE!
Please do not come to church (or go anywhere) if you have any of the symptoms most strongly associated with Covid – persistent coughing, fever/high temperature and a loss of your sense of smell and/or taste.

Please use the track and trace app (on the back wall of the entrance, or leave your details with the steward. Please also remember your face covering, and to clean your hands with gel as you enter and leave the church. Thank you.

LATERAL FLOW TESTS
Hillingdon residents without symptoms can now get tested for coronavirus (COVID-19) using asymptomatic lateral flow tests supplied by NHS Test and Trace. These tests are available at the Beck theatre in Hayes and also at the Civic Centre in Uxbridge, but MUST be pre-booked. Please visit: https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/community-testing to make an appointment.
If you DO have symptoms please book a test via www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

DEAR FRIENDS
There is no doubt that we are still living with the pandemic and the news at present continues to be bleak. It is a time for all of us to remember, and pray for, our brothers and sisters who are ill, for their families and for all the hospital staff throughout the country. Many people are cut off from loved ones and their normal activities. So it is a truly difficult time.

It is also a time to live out our faith by contacting loved ones and parishioners by phone and email to see how they are coping, that we are thinking of them, and praying for them. It will make them feel less alone. It is truly a period in which we can show love of neighbour.

With God's help and with this new vaccine let us trust that 2021 will be a much better year than last year. In the meantime, let us continue to pray and keep an eye out for each other. Please be assured of my prayers for each one of you and your families.

MASS CAN BE WATCHED ONLINE at: www.churchservices.tv/ (name of church if you know it, otherwise you can search within the website). Churches in our Deanery using this service are Ruislip, South Ruislip and Yeading. Uxbridge are also online at You Tube, search "Uxbridge Parish."

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