

Please pray for: Ken and Sheila Green, Melanie Kraan, Gigi Reale, Jo Dearlove, Malgorzata Myrkwa, Leila Cummings, Terril Park, George Brum, Chris Keefe, David Newbert, Teresa Oatway, Stephen Connellan, Stanley Cummings, Avit Castillo, Avelina Pelaez Siddiqi, Marlene Lock, Michael Delaney, Maria Wales, Breda Connellan, Suzanne Acton, Carl Bryan,
for those who died recently: Pat Galvin, John Latham, Margaret Morrissey **and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Queenie Carroll, Birute Buragiene, Canon Pat Davies, Mavis Hamid, Patrick Dee, Francine Kabaurba, Josef Sautschak, Bridie McGovern, Imre Horvath, Jorge and Lee Dos Remedios, Helen Bastian, Lil Kenny, Martial D'Colyse, James Hughes, Peggy Hayes, Catherine O'Driscoll and Margaret Knightson.

The names shown here are based on information received by the parish office.

TABERNACLE CANDLE LIGHT

This week for
GEORGE AND CAMERON BRUM

During this time all public Masses are suspended however, Masses will continue to be said by Fr Agustin in private.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	28	Dorcas D'Colyse RIP
Sunday	29	Margaret Power RIP Rose and William Digimas RIP (Anniv) For the people of Spain
Monday	30	Tom Farrell RIP (Anniv)
Tuesday	31	Juliana Rossi RIP
Wednesday	1	NO MASS
Thursday	2	Sarah Hogan RIP
Friday	3	Joan O'Connell RIP
Saturday	4	Margaret Molinari RIP
Sunday	5	PALM SUNDAY Bridget McHugh RIP Dulcesimo Mendiola RIP Iris Keys RIP

MASS INTENTIONS - COLLECTIVE INTENTION MASSES

As public Masses cannot be celebrated at this time, it is generally no longer appropriate for priests to celebrate Mass more than once a day, including on Sundays. This might mean that some Masses which were to be celebrated for a special intention will now not be celebrated. In these situations, and only whilst these very exceptional circumstances continue, it might be necessary for a Mass to be celebrated for more than one intention.

If you have arranged to have a Saturday or Sunday Mass celebrated for a specific intention and do not wish to have that intention included with other intentions in what is known as a Collective Intention Mass, please contact the parish office.



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - A

Ezekiel 37: 12-14 Romans 8: 8-11 John 11: 1-45

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ST JOHN FISHER CHURCH IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Please see our website for updates, detail of churches which are live-streaming Masses and prayer resources to use at home.

On this fifth Sunday of Lent, the Word of God comes already with an Easter flavor: The raising of Lazarus announces what we are about to celebrate at Easter: The Resurrection of Christ himself. The light of the Risen Christ is approaching us and this year, more than ever, we need to see that light. Christ wants to share his own life with us; a new and resurrected life. A gift that only a person who is alive and risen can offer to us.

At Easter we celebrate not only that Christ is risen but that the risen life of Christ himself is given to you and me. **Christ is risen for YOU!** The Church proclaims at Easter.

For the last three Sundays we've listened to quite long but very special gospels: two Sundays ago we had the woman at the well who asked Jesus for living water. Last Sunday we had the man born blind and today Lazarus' resurrection. Three marvelous gospel readings bringing the same message: **Faith in Christ**. The Church gives us these three gospels so that we may come to faith in Jesus as the son of God and trust him in our lives even in the midst of a global pandemic.

Faith in Christ is the real living water that quenched the thirst of the Samaritan woman. Lack of faith is the real blindness that Jesus cured, the real spiritual illness that brought Lazarus to his death. But Christ called Lazarus out of the tomb, with the power of his word, he called him: **Lazarus here, come out!** It's the power of the word of God which brings us back to life no matter the depth of the death we have fallen into, no matter how deep our thirst is, how dark the blindness we suffer...

In this time of uncertainty Jesus says to Martha and also to you and me and to the whole world suffering from the pandemic: **I am the resurrection and the life**. Eternal life begins here and now. Jesus who is the resurrection and the life is already sharing his resurrection with all of us in a real way even if we cannot go to Mass, even if we are anxious or afraid or ill, **Do you believe this?**

If you are reading this please stay at home and take this opportunity to deepen your spiritual life, pray with the scriptures, pray the rosary and together let's draw closer to the risen Lord!

Fr. Agustin

**REDEDICATION OF MARY AS HER DOWRY
SUNDAY 29th MARCH at 12noon**

Please join in the rededication of Mary on this day.

In 1381 King Richard II dedicated England to Mary as her Dowry. The Bishops of England have been preparing for the Rededication of England to Mary for some time. It will take place at the National Catholic Shrine, the Basilica of Our Lady in Walsingham at 12 noon on Sunday 29th March (though this will now be done behind closed doors because of the coronavirus restrictions).

At this worrying time in our history as a nation, under the threat of this pandemic and deprived of the ability to attend Holy Mass because of the health risks, Catholics throughout England are invited to join the Act of Rededication of this country to Mary as her Dowry.

Everybody is invited to join in the prayers and to participate in this loving act.

You can watch the livestream of the Act of Rededication here:
<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/>

You can learn more about the Rededication and download a copy of the prayers here:
www.Behold2020.com

A copy of the prayers is also available on our parish website on the
'Rededication of Mary' page
which you can access from the Homepage.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR

It is important at this time that we continue to help each other, whilst still ensuring we follow all the necessary health and social distancing rules.

We are aware of many cases where family, friends and neighbours are all supporting those that cannot go outside - real shining examples of Love in Action - Thank You to everyone who is doing this!

How you can help

A simple phone call can go a long way - even if it's to the person next door.

Offer to do some shopping - you might be able to do it online and have it delivered rather than having to pick it up yourself.

Offer to order other items - now is the time for people to do things they enjoy, try a new hobby, read more... If you know someone who might want a book or craft materials for example, offer to place an order for them.

Offer to pick up a prescription or post something.

Offer to walk a dog.

However you wish to help, please keep yourself and the person you are helping safe. Let them know when shopping is being delivered and leave it by the front door. Do not enter their home. Keep 2m apart at all times.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES & PARISH EVENTS

Holy Communion Programme	Postponed until further notice
Confirmation Programme	Postponed until further notice
Marriage Course	Postponed until further notice
Children's Liturgy	CANCELLED
Children's Stations of the Cross	CANCELLED
Teas & Coffees	CANCELLED
Post-Confirmation Group	CANCELLED

It is not yet known what the plans will be for Holy Week and Easter.
We will share more information once we have it.

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If you need to contact the parish, please do so by email if possible - perivale@rcdow.org.uk
or by calling (020) 8997 3164.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES - NEW BOXES

New boxes of envelopes, which start on 12th April, will be delivered to home addresses in the coming days.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

We are not expecting parishioners to make donations during this time. You may catch up with donations once normal services resume, however if you wish to continue to donate, you can do so in the following ways:

- By cheque, made payable to 'St John Fisher RC Church' and sent to the office (our address is on the front page of this newsletter).

If you normally donate using the weekly envelopes please write your envelope number on the back of the cheque or include the envelope with the cheque.

- One-off payments via internet banking. The parish account details are:

Account Number 01095846
Sort Code 40 - 05 - 20

If donating this way, it is very important that we can identify you as the donor. In the payment reference please include your name e.g. Paul Smith and if you normally use weekly envelopes also include your envelope number in the reference, e.g. Paul Smith 301

- If you would like to take this opportunity to permanently switch from donating by cash to donating regularly from your bank account, please consider setting up a Standing Order (not Direct Debit). You can do this yourself via internet banking and use the bank account details above, or you can download a form available from our website (visit the Planned Giving page) and give it to your bank. If you are planning to do this, please contact the office so that we can verify the payments are reaching our account.