

Please pray for: Louise and Mary Dykes, Marianne Elliott, Ken and Sheila Green, Melanie Kraan, Gigi Reale, Jo Dearlove, Malgorzata Myrkwa, Leila Cummings, Terri Park, George Brum, Chris Keeffe, 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:** Leonard Cabral, Keith Murray, Alcinda Ramos, Maria Stella Bastiampillai, Margaret Mulhall, Fr Bryan Jones, Pat Galvin, **and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Pat Hynes, Mary Josephine Michael, Dominic John Kennedy, Mary Ellen Byrne, Arturo Caridade, Laurance D'Coilyse, Patrick Paisley, George Williams, Mary Skuse, Mary Turner, Helen Taylor, Mary Teresa Anthony, Charles Hearn and Catherine Bourke, Vera Cummings and Callum Cunningham.



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Ss PETER and PAUL - A

Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19

28th June 2020

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**BOOKING A MASS INTENTION
DURING THIS PERIOD**

Masses continue to be said in private for the intentions that have been booked each day. If you would like to book a Mass intention you can do so via email at perivale@rcdow.org.uk or by phone (020) 8997 3164. Please leave your contact details so that we can confirm which day has been booked. Payment can be made when you visit for private prayer or once we are able to reopen the church for Mass.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

You can also book the Sanctuary candlelight which will be lit for your intention from a Saturday to Friday. Suggested donation is £10. Please contact the parish office of you would like to book the candlelight.

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.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	27	Alcinda Ramos RIP
Sunday	28	Pat Jones
		Sophie Johnston RIP
Monday	29	People of the Parish
Tuesday	30	Sophie Johnston RIP
Wednesday	1	NO MASS
Thursday	2	Jackie Lee RIP
Friday	3	Michael O'Loughlin RIP
Saturday	4	Alcinda Ramos RIP

14th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Sunday	5	Doris and Peter Tolhurst RIP
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The Church celebrates on this Sunday the great solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul. There are not many saints in the Church who get a solemnity as their feast day—Solemnity is the highest rank of a feast. That tells us of the importance of this Sunday and the two saints we honour.

The preface of the Mass for the feast declares that Peter is *foremost in confessing the faith and Paul its outstanding preacher*. Today we venerate Peter, one of the twelve apostles, the head of the twelve and Paul who was himself an apostle but not one of the twelve, Paul came to know Jesus after his resurrection. Peter had a special mission to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to the Jews, Paul's mission was to the Gentiles to proclaim Christ to them. Peter gave his life for the Lord by being crucified, Paul was also a martyr for the faith, he gave his life for the Lord by the sword, his head was chopped off.

They both died in Rome and the two largest Churches in the world were built by the emperor Constantine in their honour; St. Peter's Basilica, where the Pope lives, right there on the spot where St. Peter was buried, and the basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, where the remains of St. Paul have been kept. If you have visited Rome, I'm sure you got to see how magnificent these buildings are.

Today we venerate and honour with gratitude to the Lord these two martyrs, they both have in common one thing, more important than all that is said above, they had an encounter with the risen Christ that turned their lives upside down. Peter from his betrayal moved on to be the leader of our faith and Paul from being a persecutor of Christians became the outstanding preacher of the faith. We are also called to that meeting with the Lord in our own journey, which may bring about radical changes in our lives to make us his faithful witnesses and disciples.

Today we observe the anniversary of the election of Pope Francis, the successor of Peter who also had a change of heart and a deep experience of conversion in his own life. Perhaps during the lockdown you had the chance to watch the famous movie "The two popes" with Anthony Hopkins and Jonathan Pryce, superbly acted and worth watching. It gives a little peek into the life of Pope Francis... take some parts of the movie with a pinch of salt though!

Fr Agustin

Prayer for Pope Francis

Your grace, O God of new life, transformed Peter's denials of the Lord and Paul's persecutions of the church into a mighty witness of bold preaching, faithful serving and sacrificial love even unto death.

We pray that Pope Francis, bishop of that Church, whose beginnings were consecrated by the witness of Peter and Paul, may lead us in professing our faith and inspire us in preaching the gospel. Amen

REOPENING THE CHURCH FOR PUBLIC MASSES

Dear Parishioners,

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been open for private prayer and have been heartened by those who have been able to come. We also, completely understand that for many, especially those who are still shielding, it is not yet possible to venture out and visiting the church needs much consideration and may not be for some time yet.

As you will have heard, churches will be able to resume masses with a congregation from 4th July, news we have been eagerly anticipating and welcome with great joy. The Archbishops of the Catholic Church in England have issued a statement, which you can read here <https://rcdow.org.uk/news/archbishops-message-to-the-faithful-about-the-celebration-of-public-liturgies/>

With the announcement comes a lot of things to consider and plan for. Before we can open the doors again for public Masses, we need to ensure that every aspect of Mass can be carried out in a proper way and as safely as possible for everyone. Preparing for a Mass requires a lot more thought than opening for private prayer and so we will be taking our time to ensure we get things right. You will no doubt hear updates on the news or hear about what other parishes are doing. Each church has been asked to carry out its own assessment and determine when is the right time to open for public Masses (some churches have not been able to open for private prayer).

We will therefore not be resuming Mass straight away on 4th July. We will continue with private prayer for a while longer and then introduce a few masses each week over the summer. This will allow us to slowly get back to a new type of normal and make any necessary adjustments, before we go back to a fuller mass schedule, possibly towards the end of the summer.

As well as planning for Mass, we are also planning for how we can celebrate the various sacraments. For those eagerly awaiting a baptism or holy communion, we understand your desire for these celebrations to take place as soon as possible, but we ask that you bear with us a little while longer. We will contact those parents that have registered their child for baptism and all of our holy communion parents as soon as we can.

In order to open the church safely for Mass, WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP!

To open the church each day, we rely on the support and commitment of volunteers, many of whom have been severely affected by the pandemic; having to shield and self-isolate at home. It may be some time yet before many of these volunteers will be able to return to Mass and to their normal duties, so we need the help of other parishioners, who are fit, willing and able to serve God and the church.

We will not be returning to Mass as it used to be. Attendance will be restricted and will need to be monitored. We will need stewards to welcome visitors, help during Mass and at the end of Mass. Keeping the church clean will be essential and we need to increase the number of volunteers who currently do this important role.

We need parishioners to step forward and help us, therefore if you would like to help, please email or call the parish office. At this moment, we cannot specify the days/times of when volunteers will be needed...this is being worked through at the moment, but it would be useful if you can indicate whether you would like to help as a steward or with the cleaning, and whether you can do mornings/evenings/weekends.

With the summer holiday period approaching and travel restrictions lifting, some of you may be thinking of visiting family and friends and so, if you would like to volunteer, we also need to know your availability over the summer.

We will be providing further detail over the next couple of weeks. Please continue to visit our website <http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/perivale/> and read the newsletter for these updates. Please also help us by sharing this information with anyone who perhaps cannot access the internet.

In the meantime, the church will continue to open for INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER on the following days/times:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

11.00am - 1.00pm

5.00pm - 7.00pm

Wednesday

Closed

Saturday

5.00pm - 7.00pm

Sunday

10.30am - 12.30pm

Please familiarise yourselves with the safety information before you visit, which is available on our website homepage and also on our outside noticeboard.

For those who would like to spend some time in prayer, but would perhaps prefer to stay outside and still be close to the church, our Peace Garden will be open at the same time that the church is open. You are welcome to sit in the garden with of our Lady of Fatima.

CONFESSIONS

Fr Agustin will be available to hear confession during July. This will be by **appointment only and not whilst the church is open for private prayer.** If you would like to book a confession please email or call the parish office.

SETTING UP A STANDING ORDER

In order to set up a new standing order or make a one-off payment online, it is necessary to enter the name of the parish bank account. The length of the account name has caused some problems and so the diocese has worked with our bank - HSBC - to shorten it.

When setting up a new standing order/one-off payment please use the following **account name:** **WRCDT Perivale**

The account number and sort code are unchanged: **Account Number 01095846**
Sort Code 40-05-20

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