



Church of the Most Sacred Heart

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The Church is closed until further notice.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

This week our suggested intention to focus are those suffering from the coronavirus.

E-Alerts:

If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly parish updates straight to your inbox, please sign into the parish e-Alerts on our parish website.

Coronavirus – Covid 19

As this is being written, we are awaiting the next announcement from the Government regarding the pandemic. Once that is available, the bishops will be are to give us further guidance. In the meantime, we continue doing our best to prevent the spread of the virus. And so: we - Stay at home, if we have to go out – keep our distance from other people and when we return home, we wash your hands. We need to keep to these instructions if we are to beat this pandemic. Whilst we are in lockdown and prevented from gathering as a community in our church, we continue with various devotions and activities online. Please see the newsletter and parish website for full details. During this time Fr Sebastian and I remember all in our parish as we celebrate Mass each day.

Parish Priest: **Fr. Duncan M. Adamson**

Assistant Priest: **Fr. Sebastian Joseph**

Seminarian: **Francis Thomas**

Parish Administrator: **Anne O'Connor**

Catechetical Co-ordinator: **Jo Marsh**

Pastoral Youth Worker: **Siobhan Denny**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Fr. Duncan writes: This Sunday should be the first of our Parish First Communion Sundays. This week 34 of our younger parishioners should be receiving Jesus for the first time in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Because of the coronavirus all our churches are closed and so this celebration will be postponed and will, hopefully, take place in the autumn. We will have to wait for further news and instructions. Today we have a special Children's Liturgy for the children and their families. They have been invited to make a spiritual communion as part of the Children's Liturgy and look forward with hope and excitement to their special day. Please pray for them, their parents and catechists this weekend. They will complete their preparations when we are able to bring them together as a group in the church again. I am particularly grateful to Jo Marsh and her team of catechists, who have been teaching the children and have prepared them to receive this Sacrament. Please keep them all in your prayers.

The Priest Training Fund Collection

The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund (WEEF) would normally be taken up at this time of the year. But, because of the coronavirus pandemic all our churches are closed and so no collection can be made. This fund supports the men who are in training for the priesthood and who will serve us as priests in our diocese. The very encouraging news is that there are now more men training for the priesthood than for many years. The number of men coming forward has grown rapidly in recent years. Our prayers for more priests really are being answered and it is now up to us to ensure that there is enough money to cover the cost of their training. The preparation of new priests takes six years and this work depends on our donations. Donations to the Priests' Training Fund are always gratefully received. If you wish to make a donation, please visit the donation page at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. If you are passing the house on your walk, you may also put your donation in an envelope marked '**Priests Training Fund**' and put it in the presbytery letterbox and we will forward it on. Many thanks for your generosity and help.

75th anniversary of VE Day

To commemorate the **75th anniversary of VE Day** this Friday, the Cardinal will celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass in Westminster Cathedral, which will be livestreamed. There will be a two-minutes' silence at **11am**, followed directly by Mass. All are welcome to follow the livestream at any one of the following: Church services TV directly: <https://www.churchservices.tv/westminster> Westminster Cathedral home page: <http://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/> Diocesan website (where the livestream will be available from 10.45am): <https://rcdow.org.uk/>

Masses for the Sick and their Families, NHS Front-Line workers and those working in Social Care

In order to show solidarity and support to those who are working in the frontline of care in hospitals and care homes. The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales will be celebrating Mass in their Cathedrals each Thursday evening at **7.00pm**. We are invited to join this Mass online each week. The dates, locations and live-streaming information (link in the name of the cathedral) for these Masses are as follows: **14 May:** Bishop Robert Byrne CO, [Newcastle Cathedral](#)

21 May: Bishop Mark Davies, [Shrewsbury Cathedral](#)

28 May: Bishop Terence Draine, [Middlesbrough Cathedral](#)

Rosary Conference Call

It has been really wonderful to continue to pray with a group of parishioners while maintaining social distancing. All are welcome to join daily at **9:30am** (incl Sunday). Telephone No: **0333 0110 945**. When prompted, enter the following Room number: **29316542 #Guest PIN: 5714 #**

Confirmation

Youth Alpha sessions via Zoom will continue to take place each **Tuesday at 7pm**. Contact Jo (jomارش@rcdow.org.uk) for more information. Meeting id: **853-3784-0255**

The parish office is closed to visitors until further notice.

Please contact Anne by email.

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Lately Dead

Please pray for the following people who have died recently: Patrick Ng, Pat Callaghan, Thomas Higgins, Helen Kevelaitis and Nora Bond. We commend them to the love and mercy of God Our Father, we also pray for their family and friends. May they rest in peace.

Word for Easter

Scripture reflections and faith sharing continue to take place via Zoom on **Mondays at 2pm** (meeting id **459-795-303**) and **Wednesdays at 7:30pm** (meeting id **302-144-232**). All are welcome to join.

Spiritual Communion

For those unable to receive Holy Communion, here is a Spiritual Communion you can use:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unit myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Gift Aid

Could we please ask that you inform Anne in the Parish Office if your tax status has changed since you completed a Gift Aid declaration. Also, if you are now in a position to gift aid your donations or would like to change your planned giving donations to standing order during this lockdown, please email Anne.

St. Swithun Wells' Catholic Primary School

Places are available in their nursery for Sept 2020 which is now a full-time nursery as of September. Parents/carers can get in touch via their email - admin@ssw.school if you are interested.

VIA Lucis – Stations of the Resurrection

Please join us during the Easter Season on Fridays at **7:30pm** via Zoom (**267-561-510**)

To join please visit the website: <https://Zoom.us> and click 'Join Meeting' and enter the code for the meeting when prompted. Depending on your device, you may be prompted to download an App or a programme. Please accept this and allow access to both camera and speakers / microphone / audio. **Meeting ID: 267-561-510**. The prayers, reflections and Scripture passages can be found in the Stations of the Resurrection Booklet, available on our website to download.

Virtual Children's Liturgy

it was fantastic to see so many of you at Children's Liturgy last week - a great way to continue our prayer together. While we remain in lockdown, please join us each Sunday for Virtual Children's Liturgy Session at **11am** via Zoom (**Meeting ID: 844-0908-4760**). To join please visit the website: <https://Zoom.us> and click 'Join Meeting' and enter the code for the meeting when prompted. Depending on your device, you may be prompted to download an App or a programme. Please accept this and allow access to both camera and speakers / microphone / audio.

Lectio Divina

Even though most of us are unable to receive Jesus physically, through his Body and Blood, at this time. We can receive his Word, personally speaking to us in the Scriptures (the Word of God). Perhaps you might consider joining us for Lectio Divina: praying, reflecting and sharing our meditations on Scripture each **Tuesday at 11am** via Zoom (**Meeting ID: 881 880 170**) To join please visit the website: <https://Zoom.us> and click 'Join Meeting' and enter the code for the meeting when prompted. Depending on your device, you may be prompted to download an App or a programme. Please accept this and allow access to both camera and speakers / microphone / audio.

Mass Intentions

2 daily Mass intentions will be said privately by Fr. Duncan and Fr. Sebastian as they will continue to say Mass every day in our Church but without the faithful. We will try and keep all the anniversary Masses to the nearest date possible.

Mass Intentions for: 9th – 17th May 2020

Saturday 9 th May	Josie Higgins, R.I.P. (Ann.) Harry, Rose & Paul Busbridge, R.I.P.(Ann.)
Sunday 10 th May Fifth Sunday of Easter	Hilarie Lemon, R.I.P. For you the people
Monday 11 th May	Joseph Carey, R.I.P. Josephine Fernandes, R.I.P.
Tuesday 12 th May Ss Nereus & Achilleus	Fatima Tabatabaie, R.I.P. Mary Lyons, R.I.P.
Wednesday 13 th May Our Lady of Fatima	Margaret Corbett Intentions Johanna Bourke, R.I.P.
Thursday 14 th May St. Matthias	Margaret Cooper, R.I.P. Peter Baxter, R.I.P.(Ann.)
Friday 15 th May	Joan Hosty, R.I.P. (Ann.) Candida Lopez, R.I.P.
Saturday 16 th May	Patrick Warr, R.I.P. (Ann.) Mary & Joseph McGrath, R.I.P.(Ann.)
Sunday 17 th May Sixth Sunday of Easter	Maureen Gill, R.I.P.(Ann.) Damian Loughman, R.I.P. (Ann.)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Harry Butler, Lily Fehin, Carmel Galanty, Doreen Jones, Rose Pick, Marjorie Shaw, Caroline Titley, Claire Wilson, Edna Winwright, Mary Worley, Bernadette Campbell, Danny Sheppard, Susan Acton, Bernadeta Herrera, Fiona O'Leary, Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, Simon Mott, Claire Wilmshurst, Edward Vivier, Carmel Keane, Janet Smith, Sheila Morrison, Andrew Wilson, Barbara Steadman, Christine Andrews, Wendy Davies, Josie Ryan, Teresa Jefferson and Kevin Horner.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Josie Higgins, Harry, Rose & Paul Busbridge, Peter Baxter, Joan Hosty, Claire O'Neill and Rosa Capizzi.

**God Bless
Fr. Duncan**