

# St. William of York R.C. Church



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14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

4/5 July 2020

Saturday 4th July

5.30pm Helen Healy RIP

Sunday 5th July

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am People of the parish  
 10am Victims of the virus  
 12 noon For families

Monday 6th July

9.30am Chris Taylor (Moody)

Tuesday 7th July

Esther Sherbourne RIP (Rush)  
**NO PUBLIC MASS**

Wednesday 8th July

Carey Intention  
**NO PUBLIC MASS**

Thursday 9th July

**NO LITURGY**

Friday 10th July

7pm Annie O'Reilly RIP (Anniv)

Saturday 11th July  
 St Benedict, Abbot  
 Patron of Europe

5.30pm For families, children  
 and young people

Sunday 12th July

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am People of the parish  
 10am For Yemen  
 12 noon For Syria

## Welcome back- Church opening for Mass : Saturday 4 July & Sunday 5 July

Father Michael writes: "This week, our very detailed newsletter has been prepared by Tony Murphy who with others has worked hard to bring us to a church open for Mass and Holy Communion. At the moment - we are dispensed from the Sunday obligation. It has been universally lifted from Rome. In Stanmore - we are offering five opportunities for SUNDAY Mass, which I hope will ease any pressure points! Thank you again. We will need further volunteers (e.g. for the cleansing process needed in the church between Masses etc.) There will be difficulties - but we will learn and adapt as the weeks go by. With my respect and prayerful regard."

**(Father Michael)**

- **Congregation numbers restricted to 42 per Mass**

In planning the reopening of the Church for Mass, we recognise that this terrible virus has not gone away and as a Community, must be mindful of our responsibilities to others and follow both the Government and Diocesan guidelines in terms of congregation numbers, which for safety reasons adheres to the 2 metre safe distancing rule – thus only **42 people** are allowed in for each Mass. With a pre Covid weekend congregation average of 290 people, the issue of accommodating such a number has not been possible, but by (a) having an Additional Sunday Mass, and (b) through TV streaming of the 10am Mass, plus (c) an adapted Friday evening and Monday morning services, it is hoped that Parishioners will have appropriate opportunity to either attend or watch Mass, each weekend.

- **Additional Mass on Sunday at 12pm (Mid - Day)**

There will be an additional Mass each Sunday at 12pm (Mid-Day) to the normal weekend Mass timetable (Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 8am and 10am Masses), to address the congregation number restriction.

- **TV Streaming of 10am Mass**

The 10am Mass will be live streamed and you are encouraged to avail of this facility, given the number restrictions. To access, visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2539625604>

- **Friday Evening 7pm and Monday Morning 9.30am Service**

In addition, the readings for the Sunday Mass will be used on the Friday Evening Mass at 7pm and again at the Monday 9.30am Mass.

- **Choice of Masses and other considerations**

It is hoped that the 6 Masses and TV streaming over the extended weekend will enable Parishioners to practise their faith. We would urge Parishioners to carefully consider which Mass they attend i.e. those who do not work could perhaps consider attending either on the Friday or Monday, working families could consider using, in addition to the Sunday 8am and 10am Masses, the additional 12pm Mid-Day Sunday Mass or virtually attending. Also, though the Sunday services are spread over 4 days, parishioners should attend only one of those Masses. At all the Masses, the Marshals on duty will be instructed not to allow people in after the first 42 places have been taken.

- **Safety Arrangements for each Mass**

- A one-way pedestrian traffic flow system will be in operation, with access into the Church by the Doors of Welcome (closest to the Car Park) and exit by the Double Doors closest to the Presbytery.
- Each of the pews will be designated into Family or Singles/Couples seating, in a 2-metre spacing system – Please follow the signage and directions given.
- All those attending Mass **must** fill in their name and contact details on forms provided in the Porch before entering. This is for possible later contact tracing use by the Health Authorities, under the Government’s Search & Trace regime (the details will be held securely in line with the Diocesan GDPR guidance rules).
- Mass will be different, with the Blessing preceding the distribution of Holy Communion. On receiving Holy Communion, Parishioners will then exit the Church.
- There will be no singing at Mass, nor recitation of the Rosary.
- Both Side Altars are closed, with the statues of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady relocated to the Main Altar; there will be no votive candles available to be lit.
- The Toilet also will not be in use.
- It is advisable that you bring and wear your own face mask throughout the Mass.
- Hand sanitiser gel is available on both entry and exit for Parishioner use.
- The collection will be taken as Parishioners leave the Church.

- **Arrangements for allocation of the 42 places at each Mass**

Considerable thought was given to the allocation of the 42 places at each Mass and, for the first few weekends, the allocation will be on a ‘first come, first served’ basis. If, however, this proves cumbersome, causes issues or does not meet need, we will introduce a booking / ticket system (which would be advised by newsletter and website notice). It is hoped though that will not be necessary and that we are able to keep arrangements open and flexible for all.

**From Pope Francis**

The Lord challenges us and, in the midst of our storm, invites us to awaken and activate solidarity and hope capable of giving solidity, support and meaning to these hours when everything seems to be shipwrecked. The Lord awakens to awaken and revive our Easter faith. We have an anchor: in his cross we have been saved. We have a helm: in his cross we have been redeemed. We have hope: in his cross we have been healed and embraced so that nothing and nobody will separate us from his redeeming love. In the midst of the isolation in which we are suffering the lack of affections and encounters, experiencing the lack of many things, we listen once again to the announcement that saves us: he is risen and lives next to us.

**Counters Rota**

12 July Amal Graham, Patricia Cleary, Marcello Borgese

19 July Eddie Whittaker, Anthony Owolabi, Mary Kehoe