

Prayer in preparation for Synod 2020

Father, we thank you for the love you have shown us in the gift of Jesus, your Son.

We thank you for the gift of the Church, through which you show us that you are always with us and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020 help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.

May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us. Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope and Malcolm, our Archbishop. Help us to respond to the challenges of our times in new ways, to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

St. John Henry Newman,
Pray for us.

Parish Priest: Father Colin Fealey
Deacons: Rev. Adrian Anwyl
Rev. Sean O'Donovan
Rev. Tony Downes

The Sanctuary Lamp, Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp and St. Paschal Baylon Lamp can be lit for your intentions. Please contact the parish office—donation £5.

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Gift Aid

Anyone who pays tax can Gift Aid to the parish. For every £1 you give the parish can claim 25p from the HMRC with no expense to you. Standing orders can be organised via the parish office.



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9th August, 2020
Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year A Psalter Week 3

A PRAYER IN TIMES OF DANGER AND ILLNESS

God our Father, each person is precious to You.

You are the Giver of life.

Have mercy on us and protect us at this time,
as the Coronavirus threatens health and life.

You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble.

Watch over those who are suffering,
give strength to those who are aiding the Sick
and give courage to all in this time of anxiety.
We ask this of you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.
Amen

THANK YOU

Fr Colin is very grateful to our wonderful team of Volunteer Stewards who have so freely given up their time in order that Christ the King can re-open in such a safe way. The service you are offering to our Parish family at this time is invaluable and so gratefully appreciated. A huge thank you to each and every one of you.

Masses in the Pastoral Area

There are 26 Masses celebrated in the Pastoral Area during the week and at weekends. For a full list of the Masses go to www.pastol.co.uk

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER & MASS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	8th	5.30 pm	Kate Griffin & Family
Sunday	9th	10.00 am	People of the Parish
		4.00 pm	Wally & Rita Crummey Golden Wedding
Monday	10th	7.00 pm	Peggy Rodgers
Tuesday	11th	9.10 am	Maureen Barr 75th Birthday
Wednesday	12th	CHURCH CLOSED	
Thursday	13th	CHURCH CLOSED	
Friday	14th	12 noon	Teresa Gossage 90th Birthday

Confessions: Saturday 4.45—5.15 pm

First Mass of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday	15th Aug	5.30 pm	Bernard and Christopher Shuddall RIP
Sunday	16th Aug	10.00 am	Kate and Ernie Power RIP
		4.00 pm	People of the Parish

Masses received this week: Billy Atherton RIP, Kathleen Kidd RIP, Mrs Davitt RIP, John Fitzpatrick.

We entrust these and all our Intentions to the heart of our community of prayer.

Enrolled into Mass Association this week:

Special Intention x2

The Sanctuary Lamp this week will be burning for:

The People of Beirut

The Marian Lamp this week will be burning for:

Special Intention (M.E)

Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe

August 14. Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe, a Conventual Franciscan, is best known for volunteering to take the place of a condemned prisoner in the death camp. But he also worked tirelessly for the spiritual welfare of people through a deep devotion to the Blessed Mother. His whole life seemed to revolve around Mary as the path to God.

ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED FOR THE TIME-BEING

Food Bank Support

If you can help in any way to support the local Food Bank, please leave your donation in the porch. Many thanks.

An emergency help of £226,000 is to be rushed out to Beirut by ACN in the wake of the huge explosion yesterday (4th August).

At least 100 people were killed and 4,000 others were injured when 2,750 tonnes of ammonium nitrate stored in a warehouse exploded. Speaking from Beirut, ACN project partner Father Raymond Abdo told the charity: **“The explosion felt like an atomic bomb with red smoke everywhere and huge damage.”**

ACN Lebanon expert Father Samer Nassif, said that **the Christian zone of Beirut was “completely devastated”, with at least 10 churches destroyed, 300,000 people homeless and many others suffering, with livelihoods “totally destroyed” by the blast.**

He said: “Yesterday in one second, more damage to the Christian quarter of Beirut was done than throughout the long years of the civil war. “We have to build it again from the ground up.”

Aid to the Church in Need is appealing for prayer for the victims and their families

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses etc.

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Saints of the Week

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

August 9. The story of Edith Stein begins with her life as a noted philosopher raised in the Jewish faith. Edith ended her life story as a Catholic Carmelite nun with the name Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz in 1942. A complicated story involving two faiths and many political events which swirled around her. She who was born Edith Stein is now known as Saint Teresa Benedicta.

Saint Lawrence

August 10. Devotion to Saint Lawrence dates back to the earliest days of the Church. While we do not know many facts about him, his courageous witness to the faith is well known, as well as some interesting legends which, as legends, may or may not be true. They show the fascination with Saint Lawrence and his testimony to the faith.

Saint Clare of Assisi

August 11. Saint Clare referred to herself as a little plant. In many ways, she was a strong oak. The first woman to write a Rule of Life for her sisters, she insisted on the privilege of poverty until her dying breath, getting papal approval of her Rule just days before she died. A model of humility, Clare cared for her sisters even through her own years of illness. Her devotion to Jesus was extraordinary.

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

August 12. Saint Jane Frances de Chantal was a wife and the mother of six. When her husband was killed, Saint Jane took a vow not to remarry and sought to join a religious community. She was dissuaded by her spiritual director, Saint Francis de Sales. Eventually, she and two others founded a community intended for those who could not join the established congregations. They wanted to actively engage in the works of mercy, but social circumstances forced them to live a cloistered life.

Saints Pontian and Hippolytus

August 13. Today we celebrate two men who were at odds most of their lives. Saint Pontian was a pope who abdicated his office when he was sent into exile. Saint Hippolytus had himself elected an anti-pope and opposed not only Saint Pontian, but others as well. Eventually, these two were exiled together where they reconciled and became good friends

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers the sick, housebound and all in our hospitals and homes.

Matthew Goodwin (Altar Server)

If you would like to be remembered in the prayers of the Parish please pass the details into the Parish Office.

Anniversaries: Elaine McGinn

Due to practicalities, anniversaries will be noted in the newsletter for up to 5 years after death. Thereafter they will be remembered in the priest's private prayer.

Weekly Collection:

Thank you to everyone who passed in collection envelopes during lockdown, your contributions are very much appreciated. You can now also donate on-line via the Parish website: www.ctkandol.org If you would like to donate via Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office for a form.

Baptisms This week-end we welcome into the Church
Norah Ruth Clayson

St Vincent de Paul

If you or someone you know is in need of a helping hand or listening ear, please contact the parish SVP on our CONFIDENTIAL PHONE LINE

07562 694 624

APF / Mill Hill Missionaries

We are still unable to deliver magazines or collect red box money at the moment, but you are all in the prayers of the Missionary Priests. If you would like to read the message they have sent, download the magazine and/or donate in any other way please ring Angela on 714 6907 for further details.

Cautious reopening of our churches for public worship—what to expect

We know that many people are excited about returning to church. We want to make sure that you can do so safely and comfortably as social distancing guidelines are still in place.

Because of social distancing we will have to limit the numbers in church so we would encourage people, if possible, to attend weekday Mass as an alternative to Saturday evening or Sunday—the Sunday obligation is still suspended.

The Mass will be different to the way we are used to celebrating but it is to ensure everyone's safety.

Thorough cleaning and sanitisation will need to take place after each Mass and that may mean the number of Masses may need to be reduced.

Before you arrive

- You should stay at home if you are unwell. Remember the Sunday obligation has not been reinstated and live-streaming of Masses will continue.
- You will need to bring your own face covering. All people entering church must wear a face covering at all times.
- You should avoid bringing any unnecessary items into church, e.g. shopping bags, as you will not be returning to your seat after you have received Holy Communion.

When you arrive

- You will be welcomed by a volunteer steward and you may be asked to give contact details.
- You will be directed to the hand sanitiser.
- You will be directed to a bench. It may not be where you usually sit.
- You must adhere to social distancing guidelines in place.
- Baskets will be available at the entrance and exit for your weekly envelopes or other contributions.
- Toilets will remain closed at all times, except for a genuine emergency.
- The Piety Stall will be closed.

During Mass

- There will be no Sign of Peace
- There will be no singing
- Holy Communion:
 - * Will be distributed ***after the final dismissal of the Mass.*** The words “The Body of Christ” and the reply “Amen” will only be said once at the beginning of distribution. They will not be repeated for each person receiving Holy Communion.
 - * The Volunteer Stewards will direct you to approach the altar to receive Holy Communion.
 - * People receiving Communion will be instructed to approach the altar with their arms outstretched so as to maintain a reasonable social distance from the minister.
 - * You may only receive the Sacred Host in your hand and not on your tongue.
 - * Communicants must avoid skin to skin contact with the minister's hands.
 - * You must then step to one side, lower your face covering and place the Sacred Host in your mouth then follow directions to leave the church immediately.

After Mass

- Please take home any newsletters, Mass sheets and other papers you may use.
- Use only the designated exit.
- Please do not gather in the church porch or on church property for conversations.
- Continue to wear your face covering until you leave the area where other people are.

Whilst we will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.