## 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.

#### Office Hours

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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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# 16th August, 2020 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Year A Psalter Week 4

As Catholics, we believe that God assumed Mary's body into heaven. Pope Pious XII declared the Assumption a dogma of the faith in 1950 to remind us that creation is good, following years of war, Holocaust and nuclear destruction.

Todays feast provides a balancing point between the Annunciation on March 25th and the Birth of Jesus on December 25th. With Mary's Assumption, we honour her both as Theolokos (God –bearer) and first and best example of the glory of resurrection for human beings. Mary is taken up into heaven that we might know all that awaits us after this life.

On this Mary's special feast day, why not make a special effort to pray the five glorious mysteries of the rosary? These mysteries lift our minds and hearts to heaven, assuring us that whatever trials we may have to face during our life's journey on earth, they are as nothing compared to the glory that awaits us in the life to come.



# PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER & MASS SHEET HOME WITH YOU



# PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

# First Mass of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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times and	Sunday	16th	10.00 am	Kate and Ernie Power RIP	
Mass intentions			4.00 pm	People of the Parish	
occasion-	Monday	17th	7.00 pm	Peter Cammack RIP	
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changed	Wednesday	19th	CHU	RCH CLOSED	
at short notice for	Thursday	20th	CHURCH CLOSED		
Requiem	Friday	21st	12 noon	Derek Smith RIP	
Masses	-				
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Confessions: Saturday 4.45-5.15 pm

# First Mass of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday	22nd	5.30 pm	People of the Parish Sunday
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	23rd	10.00 am	David Formby RIP
		4.00 pm	Catherine Clinton RIP

- I Masses received this week: Teresa Gossage, Kath Houghton, N Bernard Adam RIP.
  - We entrust these and all our Intentions to the heart of our community of prayer.

Enrolled into Mass Association this week:

Special Intention x2

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The Sanctuary Lamp this week will be burning for: Bernard and Christopher Shuddall

The Marian Lamp this week will be burning for: Susan Ennis Special Intention

# Saint Pius X

August 21. A man of humble background, and wanting to maintain a simple lifestyle, Saint Pius X endured the trappings of the papacy as best he could. Known for encouraging frequent reception of Holy Communion, and concerned about world affairs, he led the Church in holiness and grace. He was undoubtedly one of the greatest popes of the 20th century. Queenship of Mary

August 22. The notion of a queen is somewhat foreign to American ears, but this feast of Mary recognizes her role in the Kingdom of her Son, Jesus. If Jesus is king, Mary is certainly queen. And the title—or its surrogate—goes back centuries in the Church, as Mary has been praised for her position in the Church and among the people of God

# 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.

## **National Second Collections**

The Bishop's Conference of England and Wales has offered the following dates for re-scheduled national collections. Archbishop Malcolm is very conscious of the financial pressures on parishes at this time, but would ask that people contribute as best they can in the present circumstances. Appeals by Missionary Congregations have been suspended for the time being, so the World Mission Sunday collection will be the key opportunity this year to support mission endeavour.

Holy Places	13 <sup>th</sup> September
Home Mission	20 <sup>th</sup> September
Peter's Pence	4 <sup>th</sup> October
CAFOD Family Fast Day	11 <sup>th</sup> October
World Mission Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup> October
World Communications Day	1 <sup>st</sup> November
Day for Life	15 <sup>th</sup> November
Sea Sunday	13 <sup>th</sup> December

#### SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

### Saints of the Week

#### **Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary**

August 15. The doctrine of the Assumption of Mary is recent: 1950. But the belief among the faithful that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven at the time of her death dates to the early Church. Mary is also the summation of all Christians—what happened to her, will happen to us. Thus, she is the testimony of our own resurrection at the end of time. Saint Stephen of Hungary

August 16. Saint Stephen was both a king and a Christian. So, he embodied both the civil and the religious aspects of life in his person. Saint Stephen expressed those aspects in the best way he knew how according to his culture and period of history. He serves as proof that the faith is definitely rooted in the persons who believe.

#### Saint Joan of the Cross

August 17. Transformed from greedy and surly businesswoman to saint is the story of Saint Joan of the Cross. Her conversion is credited to an elderly woman whom most people thought was crazy, but who reached Saint Joan's heart. Saint Joan of the Cross went on to found a religious congregation and several charitable institutions.

#### **Saint Louis of Toulouse**

August 18. Born into royalty and headed for the throne of his father, Saint Louis of Toulouse renounced his status, became a Franciscan, and was named a bishop. It was during the years that he was held hostage and under the tutelage of the Friars, that Saint Louis began to realize his call to something other than the throne. He was known for his generosity to the poor.

<u>Saint John Eudes</u> August 19. Saint John Eudes was a noted preacher and confessor. He founded several seminaries because he saw the need for clerical formation. He also founded a couple of religious communities to address the needs that he saw. Saint John had a great devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

#### Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

August 20. Wanting to be a simple monk in the quiet of a monastery, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux was called upon to be a very active member of the Church in his day. Preacher, reconciler, adviser, healer—just a few of the roles he was called to play. A man of many talents, he used his abilities for the service of the Church.

# 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: Thomas O'Malley

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 Noah William Neill

## 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
- Hoy 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.