

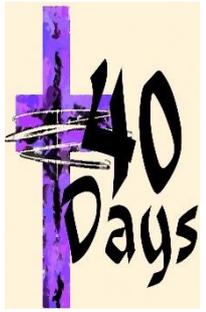


St. Mary's Catholic Church

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All visitors to St Mary's are most welcome to the church and to our parish
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Parish Newsletter for w/c Sunday 22 March, 2020

Mass proper		Intention	
Sat 21	Vigil Mass		Rosaleen & Nonie Berney, R.I.P.
Sun 22	4 th SUNDAY OF LENT (A) 'Lætare'		Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
	Gospel: John 9:1-41 Mass Book p.164		For Our Diocesan Priests
Mon 23	No Mass at St Mary's or St Mary's House Currently.		-
Tue 24	Tuesday of the 4 th Week in Lent		Gerry Alfred, R.I.P.
Wed 25	The Annunciation of the Lord - REQUIEM MASS	11 a.m.	Michael John Walsh, R.I.P.
Thurs 26	Thursday of the 4 th Week in Lent		Fr Kevin Dring's Intentions
Fri 27	Friday of the 4 th Week in Lent		Adam Leszczar, R.I.P.
	Stations of the Cross		
Sat 28	Saturday of the 4 th Week in Lent		Mary & Agnes Jinks, R.I.P. Fr John O'Leary
	Vigil Mass		
Sun 29	5 th SUNDAY OF LENT (A)		Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
	Gospel: John 11:1-45 Mass Book p.170		Jack & Angela Merricks, R.I.P.

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PARISH DIARY

Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Please Contact	Celia Direct	Possibly Online	WCCM Christian Meditation Group	Celia 01273 555967



FOR YOUR PRAYERS – Please keep in your prayers, Mary Ashing, Mary Ives, Frederick McKay, Amy Orman, Sheila Rodrigues, Margaret Turner and all who carry their own crosses.
Please let the Parish Office know if there are any new names, with the persons permission, to add.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED including Archbishop Peter Smith, Fr David Rea and Claire Shelton-Jones**AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME:** Ken May, Sr Mary Paul Loakman, Frances Southern, Graham Clements, Robin Sullivan, Patricia Lamb, Mickey Lynam, Nikki Bratermann, Bridie O'Hanlon, Doreen Mooney, Ethna McInerney, Marie Terese Scrade, Kathleen Smith, Nancy Nealon, Marie Cowan, Julia Stenning, Honoria Campbell and Moira Donovan.

Claire Shelton-Jones, R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Claire Shelton-Jones and remember her and her family in your prayers. As we are not able to hold Mass currently a memoriam mass will take place at a later time. The cremation will take place at Woodvale Crematorium, North Chapel, on April 2nd at 3pm and we would ask for prayers to be said at this time.

DIOCESAN

Sunday 29th March - re-dedication - Dowry of Mary

On Sunday 29th March, England will be re-dedicated as the Dowry of Mary.

The re-dedication will take place in all our Cathedrals on the 29th and we would like as many as possible to share in this celebration through the praying of the Angelus and an intercession for this country and the praying of the "Hail Mary". We have some copies of the Novena in the Church Porch if you would like to pick one up for your household.

"God, you are just in all your ways and loving toward all that you have created. You are near to all who call upon you, all who call upon you in truth" - Psalm 145: 17-18

CORONAVIRUS (Covid-19)

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER TUESDAY – SUNDAY 7.30 TO 12NOON

NO PUBLIC MASSES WILL TAKE PLACE

However, rest assured that the celebration of Mass, Sunday by Sunday and day by day, will take place without a public congregation.

Please check our website www.stmarysprestonpark.org.uk for viewable Sunday message sheets and for any updates.

Or email the parish office to be added to our newsletter email.

With a number of people within the family of the Diocese compelled to self-isolate many will value the possibility of watching a live streamed celebration of Mass. The following churches in our Diocese will stream Masses online, allowing our many congregations to continue participating in the spiritual life of the Church during this time:

[St Mary of the Angels, Worthing](#)

[St Dunstan's, Woking](#)

[Sacred Heart, Hove](#)

[Sacred Heart, Caterham](#)

[St Paul's, Haywards Heath](#)

Additional services will also be available further afield:

[The Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham](#) offers a 12 noon online Pilgrim Mass each day, a selection of previously recorded services and a [prayer request](#) facility.

[Church Service TV](#) provides live streaming and recordings from churches around the country.

Prayers of Intercession

Priest:

“The Lord is [our] shepherd; there is nothing [we] shall want” even as we “walk in the valley of darkness no evil would [we] fear.” In a time of almost unprecedented fear and anxiety we can rest in the knowledge that the Lord is sovereign over all, cares for us and listens to our prayers.

We pray for all Church leaders as they seek to make difficult decisions to protect their flocks. We ask for wisdom to know how to support their parishioners in new ways until church services can take place again.

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

We pray for our government and those advising them who are in an impossible situation. We ask that their approach will be successful and their plans will protect the most vulnerable in our society.

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all those worldwide who have become unwell with COVID-19. We ask that their symptoms do not become severe and they can recover fully. We pray for all those who have died and the loved ones who mourn them; may they find comfort and peace from God.

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all those who work for the NHS as they work under extraordinary pressures. We ask that they remain healthy and are able to provide care to those who need it most.

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all teachers and students who will have to adapt to changes in the coming months, especially those who were due to sit exams. We ask that they can feel secure that their futures will not be harmed by this and that in the fullness of time solutions will be found.

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Although we are not able to attend church services we ask that through this trial our faith will increase, our prayer life deepen and that our witness of hope to those around us will be powerful.

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Merciful Lord, your love reaches beyond the grave. At the end of our days on earth be with us and with those we love. May those who have gone before us rest in your eternal peace. We remember those who have died recently including Archbishop Peter Smith, Fr David Rea and Claire Shelton-Jones and we pray for all whose life is saddened by the death of a loved one - be with them in their loneliness

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Priest:

Loving Lord, fill us with your love and your peace. May we feel your presence alongside us every day. We make our prayer through your Son Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Amen.