



## Parish of Holy Trinity, Worsley

Served by the churches of Christ the King, St Edmund and Our Lady and the Lancashire Martyrs

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### 13 September 2020 – Twenty Fourth Sunday of the Year

#### Greetings

We must continue to pray for our teachers and young people who have returned to school. This first week seems to have gone as well as could have been expected – the staff and students were in good spirits but probably need this first weekend to quietly re-assess and re-group

#### Church opening

We are now ready for a 'trial run' of opening our three churches for the celebration of daily Mass but not yet for other liturgies like weddings and funerals. Volunteer stewards have been trained and fully aware of all the requirements

I propose that for the next two weeks only there should be Mass at:

Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs – Tuesday 10.00am

St Edmund's – Wednesday 10.00am

Christ the King – Thursday 6.00pm

The full programme is below. However, please note the following – many apologies if it seems somewhat formal

**Attendance will be by prior booking only** through Maureen Hawes on [maureenhawes@live.co.uk](mailto:maureenhawes@live.co.uk) or text or phone 07974560319. To allow all parishioners equal access, it will only be possible to attend one Mass per week and all the prescribed guidelines on social distancing and sanitation must be followed, including wearing face masks – small 'bubbles' are allowed. I don't foresee any problems with numbers attending but, initially, everyone of us must take all necessary precautions.

Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass – only on the hand and at a safe distance, and parishioners must follow the guidance of the stewards, entering by one door, queuing for communion and leaving by the other.

- only come if you feel safe, there is absolutely no obligation to attend
- do not come if you are in any way vulnerable or symptomatic
- kneeling is not allowed – standing and sitting only to help maintain social distance
- the toilets will only be open for emergencies
- two doors must remain open, so wear something warm
- please be attentive to the guidance of the stewards

We also need to be aware that further lockdown guidance might necessitate changes to the timetable

Remember – at no stage has God ever abandoned his people; Jesus said on his cross, 'Father, into your hands, I commend my spirit'; that same Spirit is with us now in our weakness.

#### Building Community

Thank you for all you are doing to reach out to any in the parish who are in any way isolated from family or friends.

#### Safeguarding

For many months now we have been told to stay safe. Home should be place of safety but for some this is not the case. If you feel you are under domestic pressure or are concerned about someone who might be, the Diocesan Safeguarding Office is able to support you confidentially. More information is available from Diocesan Safeguarding Co-Ordinator on 0161 817 2206, Fr. John or your Parish Safeguarding Representatives.

#### Finance

Thank you to those who have managed to maintain their parish contributions during these days. If you cannot pay by Standing Order, please make your offering by cheque – simply post it through the front door of Christ the King presbytery.

#### Events this week

**Sunday:** Mass: 11.00am (Zoom) Rosary and Benediction 3.00pm (Zoom)

**Monday:** Mass 12.00pm; (Zoom) Private Prayer at Christ the King: 2 – 3.00pm Exposition 5.00pm (Zoom)  
Poetry Evening 7.00pm (Zoom)

**Tuesday:** 10.00am: Mass at Lancashire Martyrs: Exposition 5.00pm (Zoom)  
Bereavement Team Meeting 7.30pm (Zoom)

**Wednesday** Mass: 10.00am at St Edmund's; Exposition: 5.00pm (Zoom) Prayer at Christ the King 6-7.00pm

**Thursday** Mass: 6.00pm at Christ the King

**Friday** Mass: 12.00pm (Zoom); Private Prayer at Christ the King: 2- 3.00pm; Exposition 5.00pm (Zoom)

**Saturday** Mass: 12.00pm, (Zoom) Exposition: 5.00pm (Zoom)

#### Prayers please

For those who are sick especially Molly, Adela, David, Sylvia, Irene, Paddy, Jimmy, Maureen, P.J., Declan, Jac and Anne  
And for those who have died in recent times especially Bob, Kay, Michael, Fr John McKeown, Mary, Brenda, David, Bridget, Joe, Joseph and Alan, and for all those whose anniversaries are at this time, Pat, Michael & Thomas

**Masses received:** Emily Louise Jones, Freda Jones, Kay Machell, Kay Monaghan, Neville Harrop, Bernard Sullivan, Michael McGrath

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