



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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St Edmund's RCPS: 921 1940, Christ the King RCPS: 921 1630, St Ambrose Barlow RCHS: 921 1570

5 September 2021 – Twenty Third Sunday of the Year

Greetings

We are considering the possibility of restoring our former customary Sunday Mass times – 9.00am at Christ the King and 11.00am at St Edmund's. This would obviously imply dropping the 11.00am Mass on Zoom; numbers have dropped considerably on the Zoom Mass and many of those who attend in that format already come to Mass in church.

As parish priest, I am anxious that the Zoom Mass is not now serving the needs of the housebound – we need to be addressing their desire to re-establish contact with the parish through a revived programme of taking Holy Communion to them at home. And if we have four Masses instead of three in church we can spread the numbers better so that more people are able to return. For those who still need to attend Mass on screen, there are many livestream options at that time, particularly at Salford Cathedral. <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/watch-the-salford-cathedral-livestream>

No decision has been taken yet, and so please send any suggestions and/or observations to myself or Maureen Hawes.

We still need to be aware of the dangers of Covid, and so it is suggested that people don't simply come back to Mass either because it's the 'early Mass' or because they want a lie-in! We don't need to go to a particular Mass because we have always done so. There are plenty of options for Mass in the parish if we use our common sense (although GK Chesterton said that it is 'not common and rarely sensible'). This time of pandemic has taught us many things including the importance of Mass and community and the various ways in which we must make sacrifices for both.

Church Protocols: We still need to use the hand sanitiser and masks. If you know anyone who needs particular support during these difficult times please inform Fr John or a member of the SVP or the Safeguarding team

Scouts: the re-launch of the Scouts and Cubs who meet at Christ the King has been postponed

Outreach: The support for the Afghan refugee appeal was tremendous – Sr Joan & Co. filled a 3 ton van to the brim. There will be a joint meeting of the SVP in the Rigby Room on thursday 16 September at 7.15pm

This week

Please remember to book on for Mass in church by contacting Maureen Hawes: her email is MaureenHawes@live.co.uk

Saturday: (today)

12.30pm Mass at Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs

5.00pm Mass at Christ the King

Sunday:

9.00am Mass at St Edmund's; 11.00am Mass on Zoom

Monday:

6.00pm Mass on Zoom

Tuesday:

10.00am Mass at Our Lady & Lancashire Martyrs;

Wednesday:

10.00am Mass at St Edmund's

Thursday:

6.00pm Mass at Christ the King;

Friday:

6.00pm Mass on Zoom

Saturday:

12.30pm Mass at Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs

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Finance and Admin.

We will shortly begin to look at work needed to cure the problem with damp at SE. Parish donations and Mass intentions can be posted through the door at CTK. Standing Order and Gift Aid forms can be obtained from Maureen on email

Prayers please

For those who are sick: Joseph, Roseline, Jean, Baby James, Angie, Bernard, Mark, Joseph, James, Maureen, Simon, Lyn, Nieve, Audrey, Adela, Sylvia, Paddy and Anne; for Fr Tom Devaney, Ernesto & Mercedes, Sheilagh and Jean who died recently, and for Monsignor Omesa, Francis, Bernard, Neville and all whose anniversaries are at this time. In prayer, we remember all those on the 'frontline' in any kind of way. We think especially of our doctors, nurses and carers, and those who must care for people who are vulnerable in any kind of way, along with teachers and school staffs, emergency workers, transport workers and shop assistants.

Masses received: Emily Louise Jones, Freda Jones, Ernesto & Mercedes Duo, Kay Machell, Francis Wild, Jean Rossall, Bernard Sullivan, Neville Harrop

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 the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator on 817 2206, Fr John or our Parish Safeguarding Representatives. Healing through Community Project also offers help. Their number is: 0161 236 2182.