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(Betharram)



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF
LENT
Year A
21st March -
29th March 2020**

**Welcome to this House
of God:
Talk to God before Mass
Listen to God during Mass
Talk to others after Mass**

**Today's Mass
Readings
1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7,
10-13; Ps 22;
Ephesians 5:8 -14; John
9:1-41**

CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC ACTS OF WORSHIP IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN ENGLAND AND WALES

Dear Parishioners,

In response to the Coronavirus pandemic, so many aspects of our lives must change. This includes the ways in which we publicly express our faith. It is very clear that, following official advice and in order to keep each other safe, save lives and support the NHS, at this time we must not gather for public acts of worship in our church. This will begin from Friday evening, 20th March 2020, until further notice. This means that the celebration of Mass, Sunday by Sunday and day by day, will take place without a public congregation. However, I will celebrate my daily Mass and offer the intentions that are listed in the newsletter and pray for all the parishioners. So, knowing that the Mass is being celebrated, please join in from your home spiritually in that celebration; following its prayers at home; making an act of spiritual communion: this is how we share in the Sacrifice of Christ in these days. These are the ways in which we will sanctify Sunday, and indeed every day. Those who are good at technology can follow the Mass via live-streaming. Please follow the following links for the live-streaming of the celebration of Mass: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/parishes-online> or <http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

Our church will remain open. You are welcome to Church for your personal and private prayers. In visiting our church at this time, please take great care to observe hygiene practices and the guidance on social distancing.

The Liturgy Office has kindly prepared Prayers for use during a time of 'flu and illness specially this time of Coronavirus Pandemic outbreak. This contains general prayers for health and also a note about Spiritual Communion and praying during Self-Isolation. Copies of the prayer booklet are available from our Church Porch. Many thanks for your understanding and co-operation.

Fr. Vincent Arulandhu SCJ

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Ossie Bishop, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Carmen Mulholland, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Maurice Hughes, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Sandra Pearson, Anne Jennings, Janet Chamberlain, Margaret Jacob, Kevin O'Neill, Kala Kanji, Grace Sharron, Rose Bohan, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon and Bridget Whitfield.

RECENT DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Stephen Kearns, Anna Kennedy, Esther Wilson** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Mary Odgard, John Osborne, Jennifer Carthy, Doris Browne, Ronald Hopkins, Margaret Tobol, Dennis Donal, Patrick Waldron, Dennis Haskey, Joe Riseborough, Kathleen Baker, Gerry Downes, Susanna Veevers, Andrew Hutchison, Karin Moore, John Molloy, Lilian Levell, Catherine Mulligan, Elizabeth Dalton, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**JESUS GIVE SIGHT TO THE BLIND.
(MOTHERING SUNDAY)**

We should congratulate all our Mothers as we celebrate 'Mother's Day'. We should all love, look after and take very great care of our Mothers, because they are very precious indeed. In the previous chapter of John, Jesus affirmed that he is the light of the world, and giving sight to the blind man is a sign of this. The coming of the light brings illumination to those who will accept it and discloses the darkness in the lives of those who are in unbelief. How is Jesus the light of the world? He opens minds to understand and dispels the darkness of ignorance. This he does by revealing the Divine Will in his teaching and deeds. Jesus went through death and rose to the glory of eternal light. He makes us sharers in his light - giving, and life-giving work. We are called to be enlightened by Jesus and to become a light to others. 'Lord Jesus, enlighten me with your presence and knowledge of your love'.

DEACON TERRY

This Week Saturday 21st– 29th March (Psalter Week 4)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 21st March Lent Feria	10:00am Stanley Davis RIP	
Sunday 22nd March FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	9.00am Josie Taylor, James Grogan RIP and Paddy Waldron RIP	
Monday 23rd March Lent Feria		
Tuesday 24th March Lent Feria	9:15am Anne Wotton	
Wednesday 25th March SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	9:15am Seamus Finnerty	
Thursday 26th March Lent Feria	9:15am Private Intention	
Friday 27th March Lent Feria	11:30am Gusia and Joe McNally	
Saturday 28th March Lent Feria	10:00am Tommy Lafferty RIP	
Sunday 29th March FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	9:00am Ints of Jackie Mooney and George Coller RIP	

Loose Money:

£269.21

Gift Aid Envelopes:

£296.20

Survive Miva:

£286.73

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday:296**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**OUR PARISH
CENTRE**

We need your
support .

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**Next Sunday's Mass
Readings:**

**Ezekiel 37:12-14; Ps
129; Roman 8:8-11;
John 11: 1-45**

Bidding Prayers For this Week

21 / 22 March 2020

4th Sunday in Lent

- Celebrant God our Father, you see what lies hidden in our hearts, and you answer the requests we make in faith, so now we turn to you in prayer for the needs of the world.
- Reader We pray for Pope Francis and all the Bishops of the Church.
May they be open to the Holy Spirit at work in the Church, bringing light and hope to the world.
Lord in your mercy....
- Reader We pray for mothers on this Mothering Sunday.
May they be blessed in the love of their children and supported in times of difficulty and worry.
Lord in your mercy....
- Reader We pray for those blinded by ignorance and prejudice.
May they learn to see with the eyes of Christ and recognise everyone's dignity and worth.
Lord in your mercy....
- Reader We pray for all those preparing to receive the Sacraments at Easter. May their commitment to Christ be a source of hope and encouragement to the whole Church.
Lord in your mercy....
- Reader We pray for all the sick and especially those affected by the Coronavirus
May our prayers and support bring them comfort and healing.
Lord in your mercy....
- Reader We pray for Stephen Kearns, Anna Kennedy,
Esther Wilson and all those who have died recently.
We pray also for our departed family and friends.
May they rest in the peace of Christ.
Lord in your mercy....
- Reader Let us ask Mary, the Mother of God, to pray with us as we say
Hail Mary....
- Reader Let us pray in the silence of our hearts for our own needs.
- Celebrant God our Father, you give us the light of your truth to guide our ways, so we ask you to hear the prayers we make in faith, through Christ our Lord.

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