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BETHARRAM

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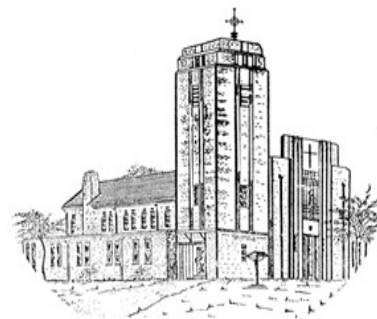
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and  
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus  
(Betharram)



### SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER AND PAUL

2Tth June to 5th July  
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

**Acts 12:1-11; Ps 33  
2 Timothy 4:2-8,17-18;  
Matthew 16:13-19**

### Dear Parishioners,

It is with a great joy that I am pleased to announce that our church is now open for individual prayer only on **Wednesday from 10:00am to 12noon, Saturday from 11:00am to 1:00pm and Sunday from 9:00am to 12noon with limited numbers.** In this week's newsletter I would like to bring your attention to the statement given by the Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

I welcome the statement by the Prime Minister earlier today, that places of worship are now able to resume collective acts of worship from 4 July. This is welcome news for members of all religions in England. I thank all who have worked hard to bring this about, not least my fellow religious leaders.

As Catholics we now look forward to being able to celebrate Mass together again from 4 July. We have waited with patience and longing for this moment, understanding the importance of protecting the health of people in our society. Now we are full of anticipation that we will be able again to take part together in the Eucharist, which lies at the centre of our faith.

It is important that we continue to abide by the guidance, given by the Government, on appropriate social distancing and the other measures to avoid all unnecessary risk. Our own detailed guidance will be distributed around dioceses and parishes so everyone can be confident that they may come to Mass securely and understand the part they are to play in protecting each other from any remaining risk of infection.

The past few months have been a time of fashioning new patterns of prayer, new ways of exploring and enriching our faith and vigorous ways of reaching out to those in need. We can build on these, forgetting nothing of the graces we have been given. Yet now, with the experience of opening our churches for individual prayer already gained, this return to the more normal patterns of worship will be of great importance to all Catholics.

This time of our 'Eucharistic fast' has made our hearts grow in longing for that moment when we can come together and receive again the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist. That moment is now very near and for that we thank God.

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Mary Arulandhu, Bernie Mortlock, 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, Jackie Tammam, 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 **Anne Jennings, Jeramiah Holland** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Bridie Pritchard, Margaret Flanagan, William Aherne, Jan Lazara, Rita Waldron, Catherine Callaghan, Honora Guilfoyle, Stanley Sawyer, Michael Clark, John McManos, Patrick Mulheir, Patrick Griffin, Kathleen Turner, Michael Cronin, Margaret Thomas, James Walsh, John Duncliffe and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**SUNDAY OFFERTOERY COLLECTIONS**

I would like to say a sincere thanks to all those who have been supporting our parish financially during the lengthy lockdown due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Thank you so much for your continued support to your parish. **To continue to give offertory donations to the Church please set up a standing order, if you can and also if you are a UK Tax payer, please consider Gift-Aiding your donations.** To set up a standing order and to Gift-Aid please collect an application form from the Parish Office. Or now you can also donate to our parish online. If you wish to use the online facility please go to the website of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. On the right corner of the website click Donate button and follow instructions (importantly please select our parish name). Those parishioners who are in the Gift - Aid Scheme, the Gift - Aid Envelope Boxes for the current year are available now from the Parish Office. When you are going for a walk or passing the church or visiting the `church for individual prayer, please pop in to the Parish Office or the Presbytery and collect your Gift - Aid Envelop Box. Many thanks for your understanding and continued co-operation in this unprecedented time.

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 27th June –</b> <b>Sunday 5th July</b> <b>(Psalter Week 1)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 27th June</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Millicent Finn RIP	<b>Church is open for individual prayers only from 11:00am to 1:00pm</b>
<b>Sunday 28th June</b> <b>SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES</b>	8:00am Marist Sisters	<b>Church is open for individual prayers only from 9:00am to 12noon</b>
<b>Monday 29th June</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Joan & Roy Phillips RIP	
<b>Tuesday 30th June</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Esther Wilson RIP	
<b>Wednes1st July</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	9:00am Anna Kennedy RIP	<b>Church is open for individual prayers only from 10:00am to 12noon.</b>
<b>Thursday 2nd July</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Millicent Finn RIP	
<b>Friday 3rd July</b> <b>Feast of St Thomas, Apostle</b>	10:00am Ints. of Sandra Pearson	
<b>Saturday 4th July</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Stanley Davis	
<b>Sunday 5th July</b> <b>FOURTEENNTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	8:00am Margaret O'Donnell	

**Gift Aid Envelopes:**  
**£270.00**

**Loose money:**  
**£5.00**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

**GREAT BARR FOOD  
BANK**

We are low on all stock; milk (UHT or powdered), Fruit juice, cereals, pasta sauces, tinned sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, soup, tinned rice pudding, tea bags/instant coffee, tinned potatoes, mash potato, rice/pasta, tinned meat/fish, jam and biscuit/snack bars. These items can be brought to the Presbytery before Friday. Many thanks for your continued and timely support.

**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:**

Zechariah 9:9-10;

Ps 144;

Romans 8:9, 11-13;

Matthew 11:25-30

**BISHOPS' CONFERENCE STATEMENT:  
RACIAL JUSTICE**

**Bishops stand in solidarity with US sisters and brothers as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd Wednesday, June 3rd, 2020**

“We stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the USA as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd. As the US Bishops made clear: ‘we cannot turn a blind eye to these atrocities and yet still try to profess to respect every human life. We serve a God of love, mercy, and justice.’ “Systemic racism is embedded in our own society. The disproportionate harm suffered by BAME people throughout the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted profound inequalities, marginalisation and injustice here in the UK. The peaceful Black Lives Matter protests taking place in our towns and cities this week reflect the understandable anger that so many people feel about this. “As Catholics we recognise that racism is an evil which must be opposed; we all have a responsibility for actively promoting racial justice. Whenever we ignore racism or dismiss BAME people’s experience of it, we are complicit in violations of human dignity. We pray for God’s help to overcome racism in all its forms and that we might protect everyone who suffers its consequences. We are all made in God’s image.”

Bishop Declan Lang Lead Bishop for International Affairs  
Bishop Paul McAleenan Lead Bishop for Racial Justice

**A BIG THANK YOU**

I would like to thank all those who sent Cards and Letters, made phone calls, offered prayers, lit candles and requested Masses for my dearest late husband, Ireneusz ( Eric) Majorczyk. Hope to see you all in the near future. Stay safe. God be with you.

**Ann Majorczyk.**