

St Helen's Church

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17th Sunday of OT 25th & 26th July 2020

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St Helen's

Saturday 25th

12.00 Mass for Clem Southern (anniversary)

12.30 Confessions

Sunday 26th

10.00 am Mass for deceased relatives & friends of the
Myers family

Monday 27th

10.00 am Mass for Tom Hewlett (lately dead)

Wednesday 29th

10.00 am Mass for the intentions of Philip Sutcliffe & family

Friday 31st

10.00 am Mass for Marie Brownrigg (lately dead)

Saturday 1st August

12.00 Mass for Rob Williams (lately dead)

12.30 Confessions

Sunday 2nd

10.00 am Mass for Terry Rimmer (lately dead)

Anniversaries: Frances Armistead, Margaret Jones,
Charles Melia, Pauline Holcroft, Irene Pennington,
Emma Bryne

SVP Collection next weekend: 1/2 August

St Joseph's

Saturday 25th

6.30 pm Mass for Danuta Fedorowicz

Sunday 26th

11.15 am Mass for the people of our parishes

Saturday 1st August

6.30 pm Mass for a sick person

Sunday 2nd

11.15 am Mass for Joy Taylor (lately dead)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES:

Stephen Wilson, Christine Moore, John Murphy,
Christopher Brown, John Regan, Hannah Amelia Regan,
Hugh Dillon, Rita Barber, Celia Bradshaw, Margaret Walsh,
Joan Bamber, Susan Natsheh, Peter Holmes, Mary Cookson-Gower,
Norah Byford, Joan Pennington, Joan Doyle,
Rachel Cunningham, Reg Fitzgerald, Mary Kilbane,
Ged Manning, Barbara Lee, Janet Kinsey, Betty Hennessey,
Christopher Cadley, Stephen Deary, Carol Carroll, Celia Ross,
Mary & Clare Rimmer, Sandra Wilkinson, Jane Kwok,
Mary Birkett, Suzie Bell, Tony Walsh, John Dooley, George &
Frank McVeigh, David (sick) Rachel Haney, Jean Tracy,
Hagai Atzman, John Summerfield, **Eamon Fearon**,
Betty Walsh, Jim Dillon, and two other sick people.

GOING BACK TO MASS: With many thanks to our great team of volunteers we are now back in our churches, celebrating Mass. If you have been shielding or if you have serious health conditions, you should still not think of coming back to Mass yet. It's important to remember that without the volunteers we could not have Mass at all! Your co-operation in following the procedures is appreciated. Everything you are asked to do, and the way it has to be done is for a reason.

A few important points to note: The Sunday obligation to attend Mass continues to be suspended.

If people are attending from the same household, they may sit together so this will allow a few more.

We will only open the doors 20 minutes before each Mass (This gives time for the team to prepare!)

You will be asked to give your name and a contact number. (Where possible we try to do this before you enter the building)

This is so you can be contacted if we have an outbreak of corona virus.

Your details are kept for 21 days and then destroyed.

You will be expected to sanitise hands on entering and leaving the church. You will be told where to sit (**it may not be where you like to sit**) and you must wear a face covering whilst inside church. You will be given a marker (a green tick on a card). Please leave this on the seat where you have been sitting. If you use the kneeler PLEASE LEAVE IT DOWN when you leave. The volunteers need to sanitise the church when you leave - it is helpful to know exactly where people have been sitting and if the kneeler was used.

There will be no singing, no deacons, servers or readers. There will be no access to the toilets, except in an emergency.

You will be directed to receive Communion (in the hand only, with arms stretched out straight) at the very end of Mass.

After receiving, you will be directed immediately out of the church.

We appreciate your patience as we try to find the best way of getting through this.

Confessions: Opportunities to go to confession are very limited within the guidelines we have to follow.
We will have confessions AFTER our Saturday midday Mass. This will be set up to take place in the parish centre.
PLEASE LEAVE church AFTER MASS. You will brought back in as soon as possible. People can prepare for confession in church and will be directed through to the centre.
After confession you must leave the building and not go back into church.

Synod 2020: The timetable for the Synod has, understandably, had to change. The Synod website says:
"We are experiencing different ways of being Church. Our prayer and worship has become transformed as we gather remotely, online, from our own home. As we live through this difficult and different time, with its many struggles and challenges, we invite you to reflect on what our Synod can learn from our experiences."

You are invited to submit your proposals about what we might learn from these past months, e.g. about being community, about developing prayer life and understanding of Scripture; about ways of being together when we can't meet, (ways that may help include the housebound, for instance). There are other suggestions and a short video on the Synod website (just Google Synod 2020). Submit your proposals online, or write them at home and leave them in the Synod box in church.

FOOD BANK: UPDATE FROM ST HELEN'S AND ST JOSEPH'S

With both churches now open, we hope to build further on the amazing support given over the last four months. Last week, **58 bags** (food, toiletries, nappies and treats for the children) were taken to the Waterloo warehouse, making that 783 bags since lockdown. In addition, further **cash donations of £140** were passed on, totalling exactly £8127 over the same period. **Toiletries** are still the main items requested, **particularly body gel/shampoo; deodorant (neutral or gender specific), toothpaste/brushes, female sanitary ware, razors (Bic type), and nappies sizes 4,5,6** are also needed. **Tinned/powdered potatoes and rice pudding** are similarly welcome. The food bank is always grateful for all/any donations, and Value brands are equally acceptable. During the re-opening times at St Helen's, donations can now be made there. Two further drop-off points are also available:

39 Ilford Ave L23 7YE 924 3651
1 Halltine Close L23 6XX 931 5867

If anyone can't get food/toiletry items or wants to give cash, please post through the respective letter box. Any difficulties/problems, please let us know on either of the above numbers.

Many thanks for your ongoing support for this worthwhile local cause.

CAFOD (St Helen's) *pray-fast-give*

Peter Lee: "I have described previously how CAFOD, as a member of the Disasters Emergency Committee, co-ordinates its effort at times of crisis with the DEC. This can be particularly important in accessing air transport into isolated areas. The coronavirus pandemic has reached such a level in developing countries that the DEC has declared an emergency and CAFOD is again at the forefront in funding the joint efforts. All donations for the foreseeable future will go to that appeal. Many thanks for last week's donations which totalled £256."

CAFOD SHOP -CROSBY :Between last week's note regarding donations being written and the weekend we had a rush of donations. Many thanks. Learning as we go along, with the reduced staffing that we have, we have decided to accept donations on THURSDAYS only.

Thank you for your support, patience and understanding.

With You Always: For our families just finishing Year 4. It was very disappointing for everyone not to be able to finish the preparation and then celebrate our parishes First Holy Communions.



We have not forgotten about you! We hope that after the school holidays we will be able to find a way of completing the course and organising some special Masses. It may not be like in previous years, there will be limits on numbers, but we will work things out as safely as we can.

Baptisms: We hope to resume Baptisms in September. If you already had one booked that has had to be postponed we will be contacting you about another date. When they have been re-arranged we can take more bookings.

Offertory collections: As you know we cannot have our offertory collection in the normal way (passing the baskets round) At every Mass there will always be a basket available in the porch for you to put envelopes and other donations. Thanks so much to all those people who have been putting their offerings away each week and are now bringing them along. This will help our finances a great deal.

Clothing donations.

Please note that we are now taking a break from collecting clothes for the homeless charities. People have been very generous in recent months, with many van loads of bags delivered to Cotton Street.

They are in the middle of moving to new premises and are changing their name to the Phoenix Project.

After the summer break we will be announcing new projects to help others and we will also resume collecting items for those charities we have always supported

Apart from our own web-site and Facebook page please take a look at: **Facebook: Crosby Pastoral Area**
Twitter: @PastoralArea9
Instagram: pastoralarea9

Contributions for this newsletter need to reach the Parish Office **12 noon on Thursday**.

Please provide a contact 'phone number in case of query.'

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