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Remembrance Sunday 7th & 8th November 2020

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*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.*



"As you will all be aware now, our churches are closed for public acts of worship until 2nd December. We hope that this four week lockdown will be enough to slow the spread of the virus and does not have to be extended.

Fortunately we are still permitted to have funerals in church and we will be able to have the church open on some days for private prayer. I am very grateful to all our volunteers who have made it possible for us to have so many Masses over the last few months. Their help has been invaluable and I know that they will continue to help to keep us all safe.

Next week I will be conducting the funerals of four more of our parishioners: Alfred Rimmer, 10 am on Wednesday & Theo Wuisman, 12.00 on Friday (St Helen's) and Sr Anne O'Connell, 11.30 on Monday & Bill Roberts, 11.45 on Thursday (St Joseph's). Only family and close friends allowed to attend. May they rest in peace.

I will continue to say Mass privately and will remember you all in my prayers."

Churches open for private prayer: From Monday 9th November.

St Joseph's: Mondays - 1 pm until 2.30 pm and Thursdays - 9.30 am until 11.00 am

St Helens: Wednesdays *- 10 am until 11.30 am and Saturdays - 11 am until 12.30 pm

**SS Peter & Pauls: Sundays - 11.30 am until 1.00 pm, Tuesdays - 6.30 pm until 8.00 pm
and Fridays - 8.30 am until 10.30 am.**

*** Please note—NO PRIVATE PRAYER at St Helen's on Wednesday 11th November as we have a funeral that day**
Fr Martin

This weeks Mass intentions: Michael McGinley (lately dead), the intentions of Margaret Nolan, John Kerruish (anniversary), Mark Nesbitt (50th birthday remembrance), Joe Boden (anniversary), Charles & Winifred Kinsey (anniversary), Anne Kearns (anniversary),

*Please remember in your prayers: Fr Des Power,
Sr Anne O'Connell, Alfred Rimmer, Anne Scally
who died recently.*

November—the month of the Holy Souls

Masses will be said during November for those on our Pious list. Envelopes available in the porch.

Anniversaries: Denis Finn, John Kerruish, Eric Thomas, Kathleen Sweeney, Sue Maddock, Joseph Coady, Irene Egerton, John McParland, Patricia Cranny, Kathleen Duggan, Michael Donnelly.

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 Pinnington, 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, Rachel Haney, Jean Tracy, Hagai Atzmon, John Summerfield, Eamon Fearon, Betty Walsh, Jim Dillon, Graham French, Pat Overend, Anne England, Joan Loveridge, Derek Ainsworth, **Ian Hawkes, Ron Matthews** and two other sick people.
Please continue to pray for the recovery of **Michael Callaghan**, still in hospital, and for his family.

Synod 2020 On the 7th December, the Synod members will submit the proposals and statements that represent the views of how our parishioners think the church in Liverpool should change. We have put the views submitted from across the diocese into themes covering all aspects of how we can fulfil our mission and continue to develop our own faith.

Please remember: the church will change; if you contribute, you help shape the change – if you don't, you let others shape it for you.

To contribute your thoughts: either visit the synod area of the parish website and submit your thoughts online. **Please pass the link on. or** Pick up paper copies in church. **If you are isolating / can't get to church** we will deliver the leaflets to you, and pick them up- if you know people who aren't in contact with church, please ask for more copies and pass them on. please contact

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SOFT TOYS FOR S AFRICA UPDATE: Import permits have finally been granted for the two large pallets which are now being containerised before shipment to Cape Town.

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

We received so much last week, we had to make **two deliveries, comprising 87 bags plus £515 in cash.** Apart from a receipt for cash, a big thank you letter was also sent from South Sefton Food Bank. Great work all round from both parishes. Stocks are still generally good, (particularly pasta and long-life milk) **but demand is increasing, particularly for the same items as last week: tinned fruit/rice/potatoes/tomatoes, long life juice/squash, pot/instant noodles and instant mash.**

All donations are greatly appreciated, both food and non-food, with Value brands equally acceptable. Please leave at church (when open) or at 39 Ilford Avenue, L23 7YE and 1 Halltine Close, L23 6XX. If anyone wants to give cash, please post envelopes, marked Food Bank, through either letter box.

SVP:

Last week, parishioners were asked to help our parishes respond to the various approaches from "good causes" via the anticipated SVP monthly collections this weekend. The closure of our churches has prevented this. Several parishioners immediately reacted to this by already making their donations. It would be very important and add to the efforts of the parishes if others could similarly respond. These can be placed in an envelope, clearly marked SVP, and put through the letterbox at either 39 Ilford Avenue or 1 Halltine Close. (or they can be brought to church during private prayers). In doing so, it will enable our respective SVPs to follow up as many as possible of the requests for help we've received. Many thanks.

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

CAFOD's mission has always been to work for a world where every person can not only survive, but live independently, with dignity. You help to fulfil that mission.

Your support helps hard-working mothers and fathers put food on the table and save for the future. You have helped children go to school and to train to take their places on farms, in workplaces and universities, to become future leaders of countries where there is renewed hope.

Despite the challenge and the threat of the pandemic, firm bases have been laid, people know that they can recover and that we will be there for them.

Your continuing extraordinary generosity ensures that.

Thank you so much for last week's donations of £323.

CAFOD During the next four weeks when we cannot celebrate together remember that contributions to CAFOD can be made on the website www.cafod.co.uk In addition, World Gifts are available if you wish to make a gift in a friend's name for Christmas.

CAFOD donations can also be returned to church during private prayers or put through the letterboxes at 39 Ilford Avenue (St Helen's) and 1 Halltine Close (St Joseph's)

Christmas Cards

In the past, SVP Christmas cards have been sold at St Joseph's, whilst St Helen's focus has been SPUC ones. Arrangements will have to be different this year. Limited availability for SVP ones is now at 1 Halltine Close (931 5867) and SPUC at 39 Ilford Avenue (924 3651). Please telephone to arrange.

During the present lockdown the Sunday obligation to attend Mass continues to be suspended. When coming to church for Private Prayer 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. IF YOU HAVE A SMART PHONE YOU CAN CHECK IN USING THE QR CODES ON DISPLAY IN BOTH CHURCHES

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 access to the toilets, except in an emergency.

Please note: In order to open our churches safely we have to follow instructions, which include keeping doors and windows open at all times. There will be no point in us trying to heat the churches under those conditions so please remember as winter gets closer that you may need your big coats, and woolly hats.

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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