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SECOND WEEK OF EASTER

Rejoice!

2nd Week of Easter

Psalter Week 2

Mass Intentions for the Coming Week.

SUNDAY 19th For the People

MONDAY 20th Bernadette & Gerry O'Hanlon Ints.
(P. & B. Campbell Family)

TUESDAY 21st May Muir †

WEDNESDAY 22nd Kay, Roger & Joan Harbird's Ints.

THURSDAY 23rd Campbell family Ints

S. George M.

FRIDAY 24th C.J.S. Ints. *(A & E. Smitheram)*

SATURDAY 25th Olga Agier † *(M. Lorber)*

S. Mark Evangelist.

SUNDAY 26th For the People

All of these Masses will be said privately by
Fr. Christopher at 8.00am in the Church.

If you have a request for a Mass you would like said
please get in touch by either emailing:

stetheldreda@btinternet.com or phone 07813 686857.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN THE EASTER SEASON

This Sunday's Gospel is usually known as the Gospel of, 'Doubting Thomas'. In this moving passage Thomas' doubting of the resurrection gives way to a moving affirmation of faith. Thomas articulates the Church's belief in the person of Jesus. Thomas acknowledges Jesus in these words-My Lord and my God. In the light of the resurrection Jesus is seen for who he is: the Son of God. He is one with us in his human nature but one with God in his divine nature. There is more to this Sunday's Gospel however than Thomas' spiritual journey from doubt to a profound faith in the Risen Lord.

In this time when we must spend a significant part of each day behind locked doors this Sunday's Gospel speaks powerfully to us. The first disciples were behind locked doors because of fear of the authorities. In the present time of crisis we too can be locked in on ourselves through fear: fear of covid-19; fear of unemployment and hardship; and a fear of what life will be in the future. Jesus came to his disciples and reassured them with his presence, he warmed their hearts and gave them the courage to face the present and the future. The Risen Lord comes to us his friends in our moment of crisis and fear. He brings us his gift of peace, just he did to those who were behind locked doors in the Upper Room. His Resurrection is the pledge and promise that death and fear do not have the last word. That last word is the Lord's triumph over sin and death and his promise to be with us until the end of time. This is surely good news to hold on to and to celebrate in these challenging times.

With the assurance of my prayers and good wishes,

Fr Christopher



MASS Although public Mass is prohibited, Fr. Christopher will say Mass in private for the glory of God and for the good of God's people.

Mass on Sunday will be offered for the people of our parish.

If you want a Mass offered for the living or for the dead, please ring 07813 686857 or email stetheldreda@btinternet.com

Weekly Offertory

As the church and hall are closed the parish's income has reduced by 80%, we still need to maintain an income for maintenance, regular payments; heating, diocesan levy, etc.

If you have usually put donations in the collection plate perhaps you might now want to consider setting up a Standing Order or Direct Debit from your bank. Church bank details are **sort code 20.60.38. account no. 30244759**, You can also make your donation gift aided, we can get a further 25% from the government. It doesn't cost you any more money. Please contact our Gift-Aid coordinator Joe Millyard 07920837319 or email JMillyard1@hotmail.co.uk for information on this.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in these difficult times for everyone.

Evening Prayer During this time of isolation you may wish to join in with Fr. Sean Connolly for Evening Prayer at 6pm every evening from St. George's Church, Norwich.

Just go the Church website and click on the link.



List of Masses which are live streamed.

- ◆ **St. Laurence Church, Cambridge**
Daily Mass at 09.30 (Mon. Tues. Thurs. & Sat.) 12.30 (Wed. & Fri.)
Sunday Mass at 6pm Saturday. 8am. 9.30am & 11am on Sunday.
- ◆ **Walsingham (The Catholic Shrine)** each day at 12 noon.
- ◆ **Lourdes.** A Mass in English from the Grotto each day at 4pm.
- ◆ **Fisher House** (Cambridge University Chaplaincy) Sunday Mass at 10.30

Please let family and friends know, who do not have internet access, of the availability of Mass on RTE radio Long Wave 252kHz., also the availability of radio broadcast on Easter Sunday by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Details on front cover.

Your prayers are asked

For the sick: Deacon Clive Brooks, Peter Giblin, Joan Heflin, Pat Ward, John Taylor, Dan Stannard, Pat O Malley, Peggy Upton, David McCoy, J. P. McCoy, Kathleen Sheridan, Keith Mc Greavy, Milo Stallman, Paddy Garrad, David Mc Elderry, Susan Stallman. Hazel Wood.

Those who have died recently, especially Margaret Cross

and for those whose anniversaries occurs at this time:

Gladys Lallaway, Paul O' Brien, Stuart Hayde, Edna Clark, Ambrose Benson, Barbara Lazaird, Sheelagh Devlin, Peter Dunn, John Raleigh, William Merchant, Stella Palmer, Patrick Carolan, Helena Hammond, Anne Robinson, Luke O Sullivan, Olga Agier.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

“Lord Jesus Christ, I believe you to be truly present in the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist. I unite myself with the celebration of Mass throughout the World. As I cannot receive you sacramentally, come to me spiritually. Bless me and all those for whom I have a duty to pray. Make me grateful for your many blessings. Amen”



St Louis Catholic Academy Newmarket

Qualified Primary Teacher required from 1st September 2020

Full-time, Permanent, Pay Scale: MPS

We welcome applications from teachers of all faiths or none, who are able to support the School's Christian ethos and enable our pupils to live life to the full. **This post would be suitable for NQTs, who will receive a full induction programme with an experienced mentor to complete the NQT year with us but is open to any applicant.**

For an application pack or to discuss the position, please contact Antoinette Jones, Office Manager, St Louis Catholic Academy, Fordham Road, Newmarket, Suffolk, CB8 7AA, tel. 01638 662718, email antoinettejones@stlouisacademy.co.uk or visit our website at www.stlouisacademy.co.uk

Closing Date: 12 noon 28th April 2020

Interviews: 30th April 2020

Food bank donations

Until our Church doors are open again could you please either drop donations for Open Door Food bank into Tesco's trolley or deliver directly to the Food bank, Unit 5 (back entrance) Craven Way CB80BW

Tue 10.30-1.30

Thurs 10.30 -2.30

Fri 10.30-12.30

Please remember they need our support more than ever at the moment.



A Prayer For Help & Healing.

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world. We come to You today with our fears and concerns. You know what is in our hearts. We love You, we trust You, we need You. We ask You to be with us. Help us through these times of uncertainty and sorrow.

We know you are the Divine Physician, the healer of all. We ask you bring your loving touch and healing presence to all who are sick and suffering right now from the coronavirus. Please comfort them.

Please stand at the side of all medical professionals who are putting themselves at risk while they work to bring healing to others.

Please have mercy on those who have died, may they be with You in heaven.

Please be with the grieving families of those who have passed away.

Please be with those who are trying to find a remedy to this pandemic.

Lord, we are afraid and we are sorrowful,. Please heal us. Send us your peace and overwhelming presence.

(If you have a special intention mention it here)

Jesus, we thirst for You. You chose to enter this world as a vulnerable baby.

Be with the most vulnerable now. Help us to continue to return to You with our whole hearts throughout this ordeal.

Amen.

Mary, our Mother, Untier of Knots. Pray for us.

St. Anthony the Great, patron of those affected by infectious diseases. Pray for us.

St. Roch. Pray for us.

St. Edmund, patron of the victims of pandemics. Pray for us.

Calling All Men – Catholic Life! – A journey of personal conversion

What has your journey of belief looked like? Have you looked deeply at the question of your beliefs? Do you even know what you believe? Have you tackled the tough questions of God, the creation of the Universe, the afterlife, the moral life, worship and the like?

If you've pondered these questions and come to some sort of conclusion, then have you also looked deeply at that second question of "Why?" Why do I believe this or that? Do I have a good reason for my beliefs? Or am I embarrassed or fearful to take a stand and make my convictions known?

During this time of social distancing, men of the parish are invited and encouraged to participate in a **weekly small group study exploring the Catholic faith (lasting 1hr)**. The course material is free online but is also available through eBook (free) or paperback. It is available in a variety of **different languages**.

One of the best ways to learn our glorious Catholic faith is through faith-based small group discussion and study. Talking about our faith brings clarity. Hearing what others have to say brings insight.

The first virtual group session is intended to start on **Wednesday 29th of April at 7.30pm**. For further details about the study please Email: mosj@olise.co.uk Support can be given to help people get started with any IT issues.