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THE YEAR OF THE WORD

DATE

**Sunday 9th August
2020**

SUNDAY

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 3

Live-streamed Masses: 9.30am Sunday, and all weekday Masses.

<u>Saturday 8th August</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Int. of Emma & Gary Reynolds ^(J&AT)
<u>Sunday 9th August</u> Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	People of the Parish Eliz McCabe ^{RIP (SK)} Fr. David Barry ^{RIP}
<u>Monday 10th August</u> St. Lawrence ^{Deacon, Martyr} ^{Feast}	9.15am	Int. of Peggy Chambers ^(Sr.A)
<u>Tuesday 11th August</u> St. Claire ^{Virgin} ^{Memorial}	9.15am	Int. of Jim Smith ^(SVP)
<u>Wednesday 12th August</u> Feria	9.15am	No Services Today
<u>Thursday 13th August</u> Feria	7.30pm	Reg & Mary Benton ^{RIP (AW)}
<u>Friday 14th August</u> St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe ^{Memorial} Priest, Martyr	9.15am 10.30am	For friends who are helping me ^(BO'B) Requiem Mass: Joan Lavin ^{RIP}
<u>Saturday 15th August</u> Feria	9.30am 6.00pm	Eliz McCabe ^{RIP (BB)} People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 16th August</u> Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	Brian ^{RIP} & the Hornblower Family ^(AH) Noel Sweeney ^{RIP (MQ)} Mgr. Louis McRaye ^{RIP}

Pope Francis

Let us pray for the victims of the explosion in Beirut and for their families; and let us pray for Lebanon so that, through the dedication of all its social, political and religious elements, it might face this extremely tragic and painful moment.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses will continue to be live-streamed for those who at this time cannot be with us in church. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the right side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please inform one of the stewards who will ensure that you are seated on the left of the church.

Evelyn Hawkley

On Thursday 17th September Evelyn Hawkley will celebrate her 100th Birthday. As a parish we send her our congratulations, and the continued assurance of our prayers. Evelyn moved out of the parish about 18 months ago to be nearer her son in Chester. Since then she has gone into a nursing home, however, if any of you would like to send her a card you can obtain her new address from Dorothy C.

Congratulations



We offer our sincere congratulations to David and Natasha who were married here at St. Mary of the Angels on Saturday 8th August. May God grant them love and happiness in their married life together.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of August: **The Maritime World**. We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

CAFOD

Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 37

We pray for world leaders; Lord, move them to act with energy and urgency for the sake of the earth and its most vulnerable people.

CAFOD has joined with the UK Disaster Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as Coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Coronavirus-response> to help CAFOD scale up its Coronavirus response through our global Church family. Or use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your families and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: <https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/School-fundraising/Summer-of-Hope>

Please support in whatever way you can.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Joan Lavin, Fr. Joseph Tynan and Steve Marsh** who passed away recently. Fortified by the Rites of our Holy Mother the Church, on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy. May they Rest in Peace. Joan's mortal remains will be received into church on **Thursday 13th August at 4.00pm**, and the Requiem Mass will be celebrated on **Friday 14th August at 10.30am**.

Fr. Ryan's Appointment

Fr. Ryan has been appointed as Assistant Priest to Fr. John Peyton at St. John's Banbury. Fr. Ryan has chosen not to return to St. Mary of the Angels following his trip to Italy, and so we wish him well as he prepares to take up his new position at the beginning of September.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

John Hayes, Jim Smith, Deirdre McLeary, David Goodwin, Jo Jones, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia ^(Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Mark Desorgher, Anna Morgan ^{nee Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Evelyn Hawkey, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey & Aine McDonagh.

Pray also for all suffering as a result of Covid-19, and those still isolating at home.

Archdiocese of Birmingham

The Archdiocese is advertising the position of 'Safeguarding Advisor'. This is a full time post, and they are looking for an applicant who is an experienced and qualified social worker, or an alternatively qualified professional with significant multiagency safeguarding experience. If you are interested in this role more information is available at: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=624f2fec-5830-40c7-a658-3e786095b4c7> Closing date for applications is: Monday 10th August 2020.

Walsall LIFE

We thank all our supporters for their past generosity. At this time our help station is effectively closed, and are regretfully unable to take donated items. Once we are over this current crisis, we will hopefully once more, be able to advertise again in the newsletter.

Instructions for attending Weekend Mass

- Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
- Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am, 4.30pm

Once you have submitted a form and have been allocated a Mass, this is the Mass that you must attend for the foreseeable future.

Attendees must:

- Follow the queuing system outside and wait to be admitted by a steward.
- Wear a facemask at all times.
- Remain at least 1 metre and preferably 2 metres apart.
- Sanitise their hands on entering and exiting the church.
- Remain in their places at all times, only moving when instructed to do so by a steward.
- Listen to, and follow, the instructions of the stewards.

During Mass there will be No...

- Altar Servers.
- Readers.
- Children's Liturgy.
- Eucharistic Ministers.
- Offertory Procession.
- Physical sign of peace.
- Distribution of the Precious Blood.
- Parish Missals or hymn books.
- Singing.
- Collection.
- Congregating outside of the Church.

Distribution of Holy Communion

- Come forward in single file at the instruction of the stewards.
- Remove mask before receiving the host, and replace mask after consuming it.
- Communion will be given in silence.
- Receive communion in the hand with your arms fully outstretched and hands flat.
- Return to your places via the side aisles.

Please Note:

- There will be no kneeling during the celebration of Mass.
- The Church will be cleaned and sanitised after each celebration of Mass.
- All parish meetings, catechesis, and other events will remain suspended until further notice.

Please stay at home if...

- You have a pre-existing medical condition that would render you vulnerable, or you are immunocompromised.
- You are feeling ill.
- You have a sick relative at home.

- You suspect you may have, or have been exposed to, Covid-19

If after attending Mass you...

- Become ill and test positive for Covid-19 you must contact the Parish Priest and inform him of the date and time that you attended Mass.

Booking in to attend Mass

There are still many of our parishioners for whom coming to Mass is still not an option, either because they are still having to follow strict instructions given by the government, or they are simply not yet ready to make that commitment. If you do fall into either of these two categories I want to assure you of my continued prayers at this time. I can also assure you that you will not be abandoned, the live-streaming of the 9.30am Sunday Mass, and all weekday Masses will continue for as long as is necessary. Once you feel ready, and are able to return to Mass, the 'Booking in form' will remain on the 'Covid-19' page of the parish website until we can resume a more normal practice of public worship, you simply need to complete it and click 'Submit'.

And finally: Today in the Gospel we hear those words of the Lord which were so often on the lips of Pope St. John Paul II: 'Do not be afraid'. This catchphrase, which resonated throughout his pontificate, did not mean that the Pope was 'fearless', or that he expected others to be fearless. Rather it was an expression of his faith, a faith which enabled him to move beyond fear to an utter trust, a total reliance, on the Lord of all hope. As human being we are often faced with fear in moments of difficulty, danger, suffering and uncertainty, those moments when we feel we are sinking, just as Peter began to sink as the storm raged around him. This phrase gave St. John Paul II the courage to see beyond the struggles to a brighter future, despite the many difficulties and sufferings that he faced throughout his life. May it also strengthen our faith, and grant us the courage that we need in those difficult moments in life to entrust ourselves to the love and mercy of God. Do not be afraid!

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May God bless you all. Fr. Craig