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THE YEAR OF THE WORD



DATE

**Sunday 16th August
2020**

SUNDAY

**Solemnity of the Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Year A**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 4

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

Saturday 15th August (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 16th August 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 M ^c Raye ^{RIP}
Monday 17th August Feria	9.15am	No Services Today
Tuesday 18th August Feria	9.15am	No Services Today
Wednesday 19th August Feria	9.15am	No Services Today
Thursday 20th August St. Bernard Memorial Abbot, Doctor of the Church	7.30pm	No Services Today
Friday 21st August St. Pius X ^{Pope} Memorial	9.15am	No Services Today
Saturday 22nd August Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary ^{Memorial}	9.30am 6.00pm	No Morning Mass Int. of Joan Hart ^(BO'B)
Sunday 23rd August Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	People of the Parish Int. of Deidre M ^c Leary ^(CM) Fr. John Ellis ^{RIP}

Pope Francis

We are born with a seed of dissatisfaction in search of fulfilment. Our heart, even without knowing it, thirsts for the encounter with God and seeks it, many times taking the wrong road. When our dissatisfaction encounters Jesus, the life of grace begins.

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 Hawkey

On Thursday 17th September Evelyn Hawkey 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.

Gift Aid Claims

As we prepare to submit our 2020 Gift Aid Reclaim you are reminded to make sure that you have paid enough tax to cover your claim. Could we also ask if you have changed your address in the past 12 months that you let myself or Peter D know ASAP. Many thanks.

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.



Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 38

Mary, Mother of all who suffer, watch over those in the world who are affected by the coronavirus; hold them and their families close in your care. Intercede for them with your divine son, our model of suffering.

THE DISASTER IN LEBANON – As you know, on 4th August, two large explosions at the port of Lebanon's capital sent enormous shockwaves across the city. Homes and livelihoods are destroyed. More than a hundred people were killed. Thousands more lost their homes. You can help people in Beirut by supporting CAFOD's Beirut Emergency Appeal to supply medical supplies, emergency food, hygiene kits and shelter. Through local experts, our Church network reaches survivors and their families **directly**. Sadly, this disaster has added to an existing crisis there. Hospitals and doctors were already reporting shortages of vital medical supplies, thanks to Coronavirus. Do pray for everyone affected by this terrible incident. And, if you are able, please make a donation to CAFOD for those suffering in Lebanon. Use this address:
<https://cafod.org.uk/donations/one-off>
or post a cheque to CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB

Please support in whatever way you can.

Sick in the Parish

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

Keiron Sanders, 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, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

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

Thomas Project

We are looking for our next great Charity Project Manager to drive our vision forward.

The THOMAS Project is a Christian charity based in Aldridge, near Walsall, and we are looking to recruit an enthusiastic and talented Charity Project Manager to drive the next stage of our development. This is a permanent position (21 hours per week). Salary circa £26k (actual salary is £13k) plus annual leave and bank holiday entitlement. If you would like an informal chat contact us on 01922 452213, or to request an application form please email: jobclub@thethomasproject.co.uk Closing date for returned applications is Friday 28th August at 5.00pm. Interviews will be held the week commencing 7th September.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of **Mary Ellis**, supporter of the parish and resident of Aston Court for whom we have been praying. Fortified by the Rites of our Holy Mother the Church, on whose soul Sweet Jesus have mercy. May she Rest in Peace.

Fairtrade

If anyone would like to purchase items from Fairtrade please contact Sarah Brook on her mobile: 07961 923881, or via email sarah_e_brook@yahoo.co.uk Sarah has items in stock and is willing to deliver them rather than allow them to go out of date and then have to be thrown away.

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 immuno-compromised.

- 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: This weekend we celebrate one of the principle feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Solemnity of her Assumption, Body and Soul into the glories of Heaven. When Pope Pius XII defined this dogma in 1950 he was not creating, or inventing, something new. In defining the Dogma of the Assumption he was strengthening, and confirming, a belief that had been held, in both the East and the West, for centuries. The belief that Mary, having been conceived free from Original Sin, was preserved from the corruption of the grave when her earthly life ended. Having been the Mother of the Word Incarnate, it was only fitting that she should be the first to share fully in the Resurrection of the Dead. In baptism we too have been cleansed of Original Sin, made heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven. Therefore, as we celebrate this wonderful feast may it strengthen our hope in the promise made to us by the Lord, the promise that 'one day we shall reign with Him in Heaven'. Mary, Assumed into Heaven, pray for us. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

May
God bless you all. Fr. Craig