

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WESTON-SUPER-MARE

Corpus Christi • Our Lady of Lourdes • St Joseph's

THIS WEEK
19th Week of Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 9th AUGUST 2020

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised.

1st Reading Kings 19:9.11-13

Psalm Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

2nd Reading Romans 9:1-5

Gospel Verse Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!

Gospel Matthew 14:22-33

Giving

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Peter, the representative of all Christians

Canon Tom Gunning

We are not expected to walk on water when we become true followers of Jesus. So “don’t try this at home” as some TV presenters warn us. What we have in today’s Gospel passage is an account of an encounter with Jesus in a moment of crisis for the disciples. However, this extract from St Matthew’s Gospel is symbolic for all of us as we strive to lead a Christian life. St Peter is our model. When he keeps his eyes on Jesus and answers his call then he progresses towards him. When he suddenly reflects on his difficulties he is afraid and he begins to sink. The Church is often called the Barque or Boat of Peter. We are in the boat and we’re all at sea. There is a headwind and we are beset with problems. Amidst all our difficulties we remember what Jesus’ name means i.e. God saves. Peter calls out as he begins to sink “Lord save me”. We too will need to call out to the Lord at times in our lives. Today’s Gospel urges us to have faith in Jesus as the Son of God who can calm the sea and who can help us in our lives if we have enough faith to call out to him.



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NOTICE BOARD

MASS TIMES - Mass will be reverting to its original times prior to lockdown (please see back page for full details) and will still be offered online via Zoom. For the link to join Masses at Corpus Christi, please subscribe to our email list via the website.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Alison (Ali) Pepperdine (Abbot David's -formerly Buckfast) Sister, who is currently undergoing treatment for Bone Marrow Cancer. Also for Ed Scott who is in hospital after suffering from a heart attack. Please keep them in your Prayers.

THE DIVINE MERCY CANDLE is being kept alight at Our Lady of Lourdes. This week we pray for wonderful memories of Terence Rigby R.I.P

REFLECTION FROM CLIFTON DIOCESE

We are living in turbulent times, such that it can feel as if a storm is truly raging around us. The pandemic has thrown many of us into turmoil and at times it has been very frightening. It has not always been easy to stay calm, to trust that the storm will pass. In such times it is important that we get away to a quiet place where we can set aside our fears and worries and allow ourselves to rest in the consoling presence of God. The disciples were seasoned fishermen, so their apparent lack of preparedness is surprising but once the storm was raging it was out of their control. Covid-19 is something that we have not been able to control. It has revealed our fragility and vulnerability as human beings. Here we are, all in the same boat, tossed and thrown about. In our Gospel, Jesus does eventually rebuke the storm and the calm waters return. When he asks the disciples, 'Where is your faith?' He is asking us the same question. If we have faith, we know that God will not abandon us, that above the seemingly never-ending dark clouds, the sky is blue. This storm will pass. Let us continue to put our faith in God and learn from Him what he is trying to teach us.

RECEPTION OF ADULTS INTO CHURCH AND BAPTISMS DURING 6PM SUNDAY MASS on Sunday 16th August - The Solemnity of the Assumption. This liturgy should have taken place at the Easter Vigil. Mass will be 15 minutes longer. You may want to attend another Mass

NO MASSES: There will be no Masses on Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th, Friday 21st August and Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd of September. Fr. Anthony Saffa Keila will celebrate all Masses from Saturday 22nd to Monday 31st August. He knows how to use zoom.

FACE COVERINGS - Face Coverings will be mandatory in Places of Worship from Saturday 8th August 2020. All those who are attending churches, must wear a face covering, unless they are exempt from doing so. This is for the good of all who gather in the church for Mass, as it is an enclosed space where there are people from differing households who do not normally meet. Priests in the sanctuary, provided they are sufficiently distant (2m or more) from the congregation, do not need to wear a face covering except when distributing Holy Communion. Other ministers in the sanctuary should wear face coverings and remain socially distant from the celebrant.

PRAYER - ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

It is hoped to restart the FHC programme for 2020 in September when school resumes. If Government guidelines remain the same for social distancing and gatherings, the sessions will be limited to 20 children per session in the Parish Hall and First Confessions and FHC Masses will take place based on the capacity of the church. This means that these may also require that we dilute the main group into three sessions, with guests limited to adhere to the social distancing capability of the church. I hope to contact parents with their children's groups and session dates in the next few weeks.

It is hoped that application forms for 2021 will also be available in September. All this of course, is subject to Government restrictions at the time. Thank you for your patience and understanding and I hope to release more information as we go through the summer term. **Alan Malone Catechist.**

LGBT+ Mass - A monthly celebration of the Eucharist for LGBT+ Catholics, families and friends on Sunday 16th August at 3.00pm at St. Nicholas of Tolentino RC Church. Lawford's Gate, Easton Bristol, BS5 0RE.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION - 26th July

OLOL - £149.00 Bishop's Charitable Fund £128.47

Standing Orders for July - £1513.00

CC - £69.72 Bishop's Charitable Fund £234.88

Standing Orders for July - £2472.25

PayPal Donations - £450.00

Parishioner Julie Ottley is a member of the Trefoil Guild - Guiding for Adults - and is currently working towards her Gold Trefoil Voyage Award. She writes:

" I started my Service for this shortly before Christmas, making and selling craft items to raise funds for Weston Sea Cadets. Since lockdown we have been unable to sell via craft fairs and community events so the fundraising has come to a halt.

I am now making reusable cotton face masks to order, in return for a donation to the Sea Cadets, plus postage at 88p 2nd class or 115p first class - I can send up to 4 easily at the large letter rate, or collection from Corpus Christi Church.

I have a wide variety of patterned, plain and pictorial fabric in my stash which I can use. Masks have 3 fabric layers, with the option to add a paper filter as well. The top edge contains wire which you can mould easily for a tight fit (this prevents your glasses steaming up as well as giving added protection). Elastic loops are threaded through sleeves, enabling easy adjusting of length and could also be made to stretch round the back of your head if you prefer that style. Masks are machine washable - please slide the wire out before washing and easily rethread it once dry.

I can also make a mask with a clear vinyl window intended to help people who need to lip read, or young children who need to see your smile. These do take considerably longer to make. Rubbing washing-up liquid onto the inside of the plastic helps stop them steaming up.

There are various photos attached to give you an idea, but I will make them to order as requested.

If you would like me to make masks for yourself, your family or friends, please contact me via the Parish Office to tell me your requirements and I'll do my best to fulfill them.

Thank you for your support."



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

CC – Corpus Christi

OLOL – Our Lady of Lourdes

St J's – St Joseph's

	PARISH MASSES & INTENTIONS			OTHER GROUPS & EVENTS		
SUNDAY <i>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6pm Sat	CC	Vigil Mass Duncan Kehoe R.I.P and the Kehoe Family	9am	CC	Mass in Polish
	9.15am	OLOL	Mass Bishop Mervyn Alexander R.I.P	3pm	CC	Syro-Malabar Mass
	11am	CC	Mass Luke Bain	6pm	CC	Mass Deceased Parishioners
MONDAY <i>Feast of St. Lawrence</i>	9.30am	CC	Mass People of the Parish			
TUESDAY <i>St. Clare, Virgin</i>	9.30am	OLOL	Mass Paddy Dineen R.I.P			
WEDNESDAY	10.00am	CC	Mass Elmer Betorin R.I.P	7pm	St J's	Mass in Polish
THURSDAY	7pm	OLOL	Mass Francis Davies R.I.P	10am	St J's	Mass in Polish
FRIDAY <i>St. Maximilian Kolbe</i>	10am	CC	Mass Eva and Laura Van Jaarsveld R.I.P	7pm	St J's	Mass in Polish
SATURDAY <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	12noon	OLOL	Mass Dympna Slattery R.I.P	9.30am 10.00am	St J's St J's	Morning Prayer with Exposition Liturgy of the Word followed by Holy Communion (except for the 1 st Saturday of each month when there will be a Mass
NEXT SUNDAY <i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	6pm Sat	CC	Vigil Mass Terry McGinley R.I.P	9am	CC	Mass in Polish
	9.15am	OLOL	Mass Bill Little R.I.P	3pm	CC	Syro-Malabar Mass
	11am	CC	Mass People of the Parish	6pm	CC	Mass Bishop Mervyn Alexander R.I.P

CONFESSIONS

Canon Tom is always happy to hear confessions on request or by appointment, but regular slots in the week are:

Saturday 12.30pm OLOL, and **5pm** CC. **Sunday 5.40pm** CC
Thursday 7.30pm OLOL

The glass door in the Confessional that separates Canon Tom from the penitent will remain in place as a means to stop infection transmission. After Confession, please cleanse with household detergent the kneeler, seat and anything you may have touched.

NEXT WEEKEND

We celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Please note that the obligation to attend Mass is still suspended.

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