

A PRAYER SENT TO FR. OWEN FROM A PARISHIONER:

A PRAYER OF HOPE
written by Rabbi Naomi Levy.

We are frightened, God, worried for our loved ones,
worried for our world.

Helpless and confused, we turn to you seeking
comfort, faith and hope.

Teach us God, to turn our panic into patience,
and our fear into acts of kindness.

Our strong must watch out for our weak;
our young must take care of our old.

Help each one of us to do our part to halt
the spread of this virus.

Send strength and courage to the doctors
and nurses in the front lines,

Fortify them with the full force of their healing powers.

Send wisdom and insight to the scientists
working to discover healing treatments.

Fill our leaders with the wisdom and the courage
to choose wisely and act quickly.

May we see that we are one world, one people
who will rise above this pandemic together.

Watch over us God, grace us with your love,
bless us with your healing light.

Hear us God,
Heal us God.

Amen



Our Lady of Victories

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19th July 2020
Week 15 of Ordinary Time
Psalter Week 4

Times of Services

Sunday: 16th of Ordinary Time

Saturday: 6.00pm - The Parishioners

N.B. 9.00am Mass: Personal Intention

N.B. 11.00am Mass - Dr Andrew Mitchell R.I.P.

Monday: Feria

Private Mass - Margaret Lavelle R.I.P.

Tuesday: Feria

Private Mass - Michael B King R.I.P.

Wednesday: Feast of St Mary Magdale

N.B. 10.00am Mass in Church: Bill Brown R.I.P.

Thursday: Feast of St Bridget of Sweden

Private Mass: Deceased family and relatives of Joan Lowe

Friday: Feria

Private Mass - Sr Perpetua Crerand (Platinum Jubilee)

Saturday: Feast of St James, Apostle

Private Mass: Personal Intention

11.00am - Sacrament of Reconciliation - CONFESSION

6.00pm: First Mass of Sunday 26th July - Personal Intention

Sunday: 16th of Ordinary Time

N.B. 9.00am: Mass - In Thanksgiving for 60 Years of Happy Marriage - Chris & Helen Roberts

N.B. 11.00am: The Parishioners



*The field is the world;
the good seed is the
subjects of the kingdom;
the darnel, the subjects
of the Evil One;*

PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST PRE BOOK FOR OUR WEEKEND MASSES:

TO PRE BOOK TO COME TO MASS:

You can only make your booking on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
evenings between 5pm and 7pm.

TO BOOK TO COME TO THE 6PM MASS, please ring Judith Snaith on 01858 419108.

TO BOOK TO COME TO THE 9AM MASS, please ring Jo Shellard on 01858 440983.

TO BOOK TO COME TO THE 11AM MASS, please ring Stephen McGlone on 01858 465939.

BOOK NOW

ALSO PLEASE NOTE:

- A) All Face Masks must cover both mouth and nose.
- B) Exit via Church door you entered through.
- C) Please try your utmost to social distance within the Church, whilst exiting and outside the church doors.
- D) DO NOT KNEEL during Mass, so as to avoid less contact with pew fronts and also to regulate and control the social distancing.
- E) Try to follow the directives of the stewards and cooperate with them all the way.
- F) As the church itself and all contact points within the building that might have been touched have to be sanitised immediately after every Mass it is essential that the church is emptied as smoothly and quickly as possible after every service.
- G) Make sure you sanitise your hands on entry and exiting the church.
- H) Mass books or any kind of handout are not permitted on entry.
- I) Thanks to our stewards and thank you to all for your great understanding of the need and your cooperation.



FOR INFORMATION ONLY: On Sunday last, 100 people attended one or other of our Masses and on this Wednesday morning past 40 people attended Mass.

FURTHER DEMAND: Because of the many more requesting Face Masks from Maggie, although she had called a halt, she has volunteered to make some more to meet demand. So if you wish to have a "Maggie Face Mask" please ring her on 01858 461909 or ring Mary Danks on 01858463922. The masks will be sold outside the Catholic Club each day except Sunday, from Monday 20th July to Friday July 31st, from 9.30am - 4.30pm. Also, all phone orders must be collected from outside the Catholic Club.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT VENTURED BACK TO MASS AS YET!**

You maybe interested to know that there are some changes:

1. As already printed, you must pre-book for weekend Mass. This is necessary to maintain the social distancing in Church. When you book you will be told which door to come through, also exiting through that same door.
2. Sunday Masses will be much shorter than previous. No music or Singing is permitted.
3. Priests are encouraged to give shorter homilies.
4. Strict guidelines must be follows in approaching for Holy Communion.
5. The Church doors will be left open during the celebration to allow a
6. healthy airflow through the Church.
7. A shorter and quicker celebration means a shorter time together in the building.

IN SHORT: COME BACK TO YOUR SUNDAY MASS WHEN YOU FEEL YOU ARE READY AND COMFORTABLE WITH THAT RESPONSIBILITY. THE CHOICE IS YOURS. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO WELCOME YOU BACK TO YOUR "SPIRITUAL HOME" AND ENSURE YOUR SAFETY.



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED RIGHT NOW: Those of you who have been back to Mass over the past 2 week ends, will have seen the need for stewards helping all of us to comply with the regulations and conditions we must all adhere to. We need many more stewards. If you are fit and well, without any serious underlying health issues, you can volunteer to be a steward. Training will be given. Please see Judith Snaith or Fr. Owen if you wish to discuss this possibility further. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED RIGHT NOW**

WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS AND VER BEST WISHES to Eleanor Hall and Joe Preston, being married at Brompton Oratory (sometimes referred to as the London Oratory), this coming Saturday, July 25th. Eleanor was an Altar Server here before she moved to live in London. May you have many happy and blessed years of married life and love together.

OUR MASS READINGS THIS WEEKEND:

Our First Reading is from the Book of Wisdom (Ch. 12: 13-16 - 19).

This reading tells us that God has both the knowledge and the power to root out evil people if he so desired. But this reading talks about his leniency, and how we ought to imitate it.

Our Second Reading is from St Paul's letter to the Romans (Ch. 8: 26-27).

The Holy Spirit helps to pray when we can't find the words to express what is in our minds.

Our Gospel Reading is from St Matthew (Ch. 13; 24-43)

The Church, and indeed the world, is like a field in which wheat and weeds grow side by side until they are separated at harvest time. The Church is something of a mixed bag where a welcome awaits Saints and sinners and tries to bring all closer to God. However, a time of pruning and sorting out by God is before us all. All of us will be "sorted out" by Him on the great judgement day.

"A HARVEST PRAYER"

On the day of the harvest the straw is set aside,
The chaff is blown away by the wind,
And the weeds are consigned to the flames.
But the wheat, like sacks of gold, is gathered into the barn.
Lord in the day of death,
The harvest of my life will be poured out before you,
Wheat and chaff and weeds together.
Let your wise hand sift through it;
Then keep what is worth keeping'
And with the breath of your kindness,
Blow the rest away,

