



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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21st – 22nd March 2020
Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday

“The blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.” (John 9:1-9)

Lectionary Year A. Psalter week iv Fourth Sunday in Lent

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi. Dementia Prayer Week.

Sat 21 st March	Lent Feria Vigil Mass for 4 th Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	Our Lady & St Benedict Our Lady & St Benedict	No Public Mass
Sun 22 nd March	Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	Live Stream https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137	Mass 10.00 am ALL MOTHERS Live Stream
Mon 23 March	Lent Feria	Our Lady & St Benedict	No Public Mass
Tues 24 March	Lent Feria	Our Lady & St Benedict	No Public Mass
Wed 25 March	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	Live Stream https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137	Wednesday Word from Father.
Thurs 26 March	Lent Feria	Our Lady & St Benedict	No Public Mass
Friday 27 March	Funeral David Marks	Our Lady & St Benedict	11.30 Mass. Private Burial at Cemetery
Sat 28 March	Lent Feria. <i>Crosses & Images covered until Easter Vigil</i> Vigil for 5th Sunday of Lent	Our Lady & St Benedict	No Public Mass
Sun 29 th March	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Live Stream https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137	Mass 10.00 Live Stream

Kneelers – Health and Safety Review.

Following a recent incident in another church, a risk assessment and inspection of the kneelers has been carried out. The kneelers are in good condition and did not require repairs, our inspection concluded that the kneelers should be kept in the “up” position as the “down” position is potentially more hazardous. Please take care when entering and exiting the pews and make sure the kneelers are up.

Please pray for the sick the elderly, the housebound, all who are self -isolating and all who care for them from our Parish especially. Jan Wright, Pat Fyfe, Margaret Keiley, Vic and Vera Goodwin, Phil Hampton and Mary Glover

Please Pray for David Marks Whose funeral is on Friday. Because of the current restriction’s Fr Damian will offer Mass in Private for the repose of the soul of David and the intentions of his Family at this time of loss. He will be buried at 11.30 in our parish Cemetery.

Please pray for our anniversaries Sean Divani, Annie Jones, Pauline Fogarty and John Barrett, may they rest in Peace.

Collections 8th 9th March 2020

Weekly Collection	Gift Aid	£138.00	Loose	£116.20	Total £254.20
CAFOD	Gift Aid	£ 93.30	Loose	£181.21	Total £276.51

Many thanks for your continued support for our Church and for CAFOD.

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Warwick Deanery Website: this can be found at: www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk

The Bishops conference COVID19 Coronavirus Stage 2 Advice as of Wednesday 18th March

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, having consulted the Ordinaries of the Dioceses, has agreed that the cessation of public liturgies should begin from Friday evening 20th March 2020. Because of the situation the Church finds herself in, the obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy day of Obligation is removed, until further notice.

The following instruction is now given for the celebration of the Sacraments and sacramentals of the Church at this time.

Celebrations of Holy Mass Priests who hold parochial office should continue to celebrate Mass in a church within their parish without the faithful on a daily basis.

The continuing celebration of Mass ensures that the faithful can join in spiritual communion with the priests of the Church. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states (1364): As often as the sacrifice of the Cross by which 'Christ our Pasch has been sacrificed' is celebrated on the altar, the work of our redemption is carried out. Daily liturgical resources for those at home, including those for making a "Spiritual Communion" with the priest, will be available on the CBCEW website.

Information about the live-streaming of the celebration of Mass will be made widely available in our dioceses so that the faithful can participate in the prayers of the priest at Mass at home. A fine example of this is from The National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham will continue its full liturgical programme and this will be available to all via the Internet (www.walsingham.org.uk)

We will set up through Zoom a virtual portal to share mass with Fr Damian on Sunday morning at 10.00. this will be the link. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137>.

Wherever possible, during this period, churches will remain open, especially on Sundays, for individual private prayer, without any organised services, and offering prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. If you wish to come and pray privately in our church please telephone Fr Damian, he will arrange for the church to be opened.

Fr Damian is keen to support parishioners self-isolating please do give him a call or drop him an email if you would like a chat, unfortunately he will not be able to call in person. If any parishioners could offer practical help to our parishioners self-isolating please contact Fr Damian.

Instructions on how to create your Zoom account...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4y_puMRsjTQ&feature=youtu.be

For folks at home this is the order of service issued by the bishops.

<http://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2020/03/No-Mass-A4.pdf>

The Archdiocese has a list of Mass broadcast on line

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/parishes-online>.

Message from Fr Peter Nanka Nigeria

The engineer we have chosen is prepared to undertake the first major part of our proposed project, namely drilling and striking food water. What this stage does not include would be external piping and raising of heavy water tanks."

Following Fr Peter's request, we plan to send him, immediately, the money raised so far - £8000. Unfortunately, in order to complete the project, we will need to raise a further £8000. More fundraising ideas are needed in order to raise the rest of the money needed. If anyone has any ideas or knows of any companies that may be willing to match fund or donate to such a worthy project then please speak to Rachel Saltmarsh. Thank you.

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