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In the gospel of today's Mass, Jesus reminds us that we are of infinite worth and that we should not be afraid. Fear leads only to anger and alienation and the sense of discontentment that seems to infect so many in our society. But to know Christ and power of his resurrection, to luxuriate in God's grace, is to stand strong in the face of the powers of this world, great and small, and to appreciate our true dignity as God's children.

Please keep in touch, either by telephone (above) or email (sfa.bc@outlook.com) and remember to pray for one another.

PARISH LITURGY – MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

Sunday

9.30 am People of the Parish

Monday [Ss John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs]

9.00 am Private Intention

Tuesday [Feria]

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Wednesday [Nativity of St John the Baptist]

9.00 am Francis Murray

Thursday [Feria]

9.00 am Private Intention

Friday [Feria]

9.00 am Private Intention

Saturday [St Cyril of Alexandria, bishop, doctor of the Church]

9.00 am Private Intention

Please pray for the sick in our parish and those who have died: **Monica Pippet; Mother M. Paula; Eden Angelica Bennett; John Alban Loftus** (anniversaries).

June is a month of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and this prayer will be recited at the end of every Mass:-

Sweet Jesus, through Your Tender love for the Church Your Spouse, You open to her the riches of Your Sacred Heart. Grant that our hearts may be enriched by the treasures it contains and replenished with its overflowing and unfailing delights. Heart of Jesus, burning with love for us, inflame our hearts with love of You.

The painting in the church is slightly in abeyance, since the iconographer has gone on paternity leave – his wife had a baby girl last week. It is hoped that he will return in early July.

In the meantime, the tiles in the main body of the church were chemically cleaned this past week and have come up surprisingly well. Some repairs will be necessary, and these will be done, and the floor sealed and polished, in September when the painting is complete and the floor of the sanctuary will receive similar treatment at the same time. An area at the back of church, where there is concrete, will require some other form of covering.

It is also hoped that in the next couple of weeks the columns in the nave will be painted.

We are getting there, but the lockdown has seriously impacted progress and we will have to be patient for longer than was originally purposed!

Opening Times for Private Prayer

The former Sisters' Choir will be open for private prayer today between 2.00 and 4.00 pm, on Wednesday between 7.00 and 8.00 pm, and on Saturday between 10.00 and 11.00 am.

Please follow all the necessary precautions.
