

## Masses

<b>15 Aug</b> Saturday 10:00 am	<i>Mass without congregation</i>
<b>16 Aug</b> Sunday 10:00 am 11:00 am	<b>The Assumption of BVM (A)</b>  Thanksgiving Vito Cientanni R.I.P.
<b>17 Aug</b> Monday —:—	<i>No Mass</i>
<b>18 Aug</b> Tuesday 10:00 am	<i>Mass without congregation</i>
<b>19 Aug</b> Wednesday 10:00 am	<i>Mass without congregation</i>
<b>20 Aug</b> Thursday 10:00 am	<i>Mass without congregation</i>
<b>21 Aug</b> Friday 10:00 am	<i>Mass without congregation</i>
<b>22 Aug</b> Saturday 10:00 am	<i>Mass without congregation</i>
<b>23 Aug</b> Sunday 10:00 am 11:00 am	<b>21st Sunday of OT (A)</b>  People of the Parish Thanksgiving

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

*call for appointment*

\*If you would like a Mass said on a particular day;  
**Please, give enough notice.**  
Intentions will be as close as possible to request.

## Anniversary of the Dead

Violet Burmis	Mary Cherry
Jack William Broad	Bridget O'Rawe
Maureen Sheehan	Margaret Mary Doyle
Alfred Reginald Phillips	Alice Skelton
Stanley Albert Benn	Margaret Roche
Gladys Connelly	

*Please pray for the recently deceased*

## Collections

9th Aug

1st Gift Aid	£ 65.50
loose	£ 73.10



**With GIFT AID your £20 becomes £25**

**Thank you very much, to the parishioners who have decided to pay by standing order or online. It has been extremely helpful.**

To anyone who wants to contribute in this way please contact me, "Eileen" via Father Michael.

*Newsletter editing deadline - 10:00 am, Fridays*  
Please send any announcements, ads, news, etc., to:  
[northfleet@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:northfleet@rcaos.org.uk)

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (A)

16th August 2020



# Our Lady of the Assumption

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**Mrs K. Wheeler**



## Welcome Back!

It is wonderful to be able to welcome you back to Mass.

You will be aware that things are not quite the same as they used to be our “new normal” is not the same as the old one.

I want to draw your attention to the following changes, including those that affect the way that we celebrate Mass.

All of the changes have been made to comply with the government guidelines for the re-opening of churches for Mass and Diocesan instructions.



1. The capacity of the church has been reduced to 35, in keeping with the government's 2-metre social distancing rules.
2. We have therefore had to introduce a queuing system for entry to the church, first-come, first-served. There will be no entry to the church once this capacity has been reached.
3. You will be asked for your name and contact details before coming into the church to enable the parish to assist with NHS Track and Trace,
4. Entry to the church is through the front door only, exit only by the side back door into the car park.
5. The toilet is not in use at the present time.
- 6.. Stewards are in the church to ensure that you are made welcome and kept safe while you are here. Please follow any guidance and instructions that they give you, especially with regard to social distancing and hand hygiene protocols.
7. Singing at Mass, and the use of shared hymn books and Mass books is not permitted at this time.
8. Holy Communion will be under one kind (no chalice) by the priest alone. Please wait for a steward to prompt you before coming forward to receive.
9. We are not allowed to pass the collection bags around the church. Please place your weekly offering in one of the collection boxes-near the front door as you enter, or by the back door when you leave.
10. Please ensure that you take your Mass sheet and newsletter with you-do not leave them in the church.
- 11.You are encouraged to not congregate with others and return home promptly once you have left the church.

### UPDATE: COVID19 GUIDANCE

We have received updated guidance from the government, as follows:

1. **Social Distancing** - Worshippers should limit their interactions with anyone they are not attending church with, i.e. if they are attending Mass with one other household, wherever possible they should maintain social distancing with anyone outside of this group.
2. **Face Coverings** - **With effect from Saturday 8th August, the government has made the wearing of face coverings in places of worship mandatory.** It would be most helpful if you could please bring your own face covering with you when you come to Mass. Children under the age of 11 are exempt from this change to the rules. Thank you for your co-operation.

### RECONCILIATION

The usual Saturday afternoon time slot for this sacrament has been suspended for the moment. Please contact me by email or phone to make an appointment if you wish to go to confession.

### HOLY WATER STOUPS

These have been emptied to comply with Covid-19 regulations.

### STATUES & VOTIVE CANDLES

The statues and votive candle stands have been cordoned off to comply with government regulations. The touching of statues and icons in the church is not allowed at the present time.

**“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.”** - Elizabeth (*Mary's cousin*)

### SACRISTY

The sacristy is not accessible to non-clergy, in line with Diocesan Covid-19 regulations.

### MASS INTENTIONS

There are ample opportunities for Mass intentions during the coming weeks. Please place any intentions in an envelope with your donation and contact phone number and post it through the presbytery letter box.

### MASS SCHEDULE

The current Mass schedule is Sunday Mass at 10.00am and 11.00am. There is no Saturday evening Mass and no weekday Masses with a congregation at the present time.

### OFFICE HOUR

There is no Saturday morning Office Hour until further notice. If you need to see the parish priest about anything, please phone or email Father Michael to arrange an appointment-contact details are on the front of the newsletter.

### THANK YOU STEWARDS

I am very grateful to all of our team of stewards who do such a great job of ensuring that we are all looked after and kept safe while we are visiting the church. Father Michael.