

Masses

19 Sep
Saturday
10:00 am
Mass without congregation

20 Sep
Sunday
10:00 am
11:00 am
25th Sunday of OT (A)
People of the Parish
Private Intention

21 Sep
Monday
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No Mass

22 Sep
Tuesday
10:00 am
7:00 pm
Mass without congregation
Confirmation Liturgy

23 Sep
Wednesday
10:00 am
7.00 pm
Mass without congregation
Confirmation Liturgy

24 Sep
Thursday
10:00 am
Mass without congregation

25 Sep
Friday
10:00 am
Mass without congregation

26 Sep
Saturday
10:00 am
11:45 am
2:00 pm
1st Holy Communion Mass
1st Holy Communion Mass
1st Holy Communion Mass

27 Sep
Sunday
10:00 am
11:00 am
26th Sunday of OT (A)
Bernard Stanley R.I.P.
Dave Stephens R.I.P.

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

Leonard Lamb
Marie Ashrafi
Anne Moore
James Slater
Alacoque Flynn
Jack Butcher
Molly Patricia Longman

Marie Palmer
Patrick Englishby
Maureen Ellen Stiff
Emily Lester
Martin Lavin
Kenneth Gerald Lane

Please pray for the recently deceased

Collections

13th Sep.

1st Gift Aid **£330.00**
loose **£ 80.00**



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

Twenty fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

20th September 2020



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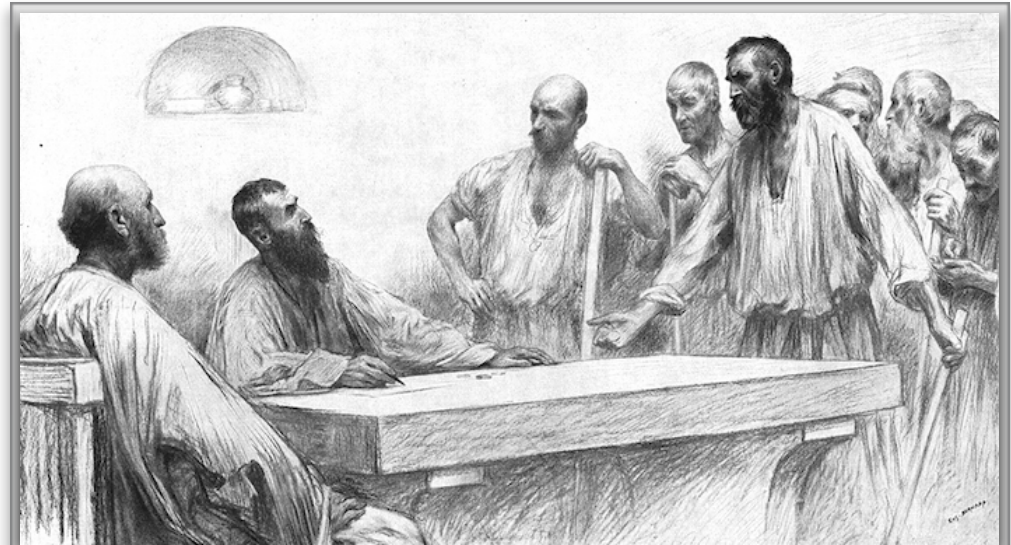
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Mrs K. Wheeler



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-meter 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.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION

The parish First Holy Communions will be celebrated during a total of seven Masses on the Saturdays of 19th and 26th September and 3rd October. Please pray for our 33 children on their special day, and for their families.

CONFIRMATION

The sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated for 18 of our young people this month. We pray for them as they continue their growth and commitment on their faith journey.

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.

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 please contact Father Michael for an appointment.

Details are on the front of this 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.

“Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Jesus Christ